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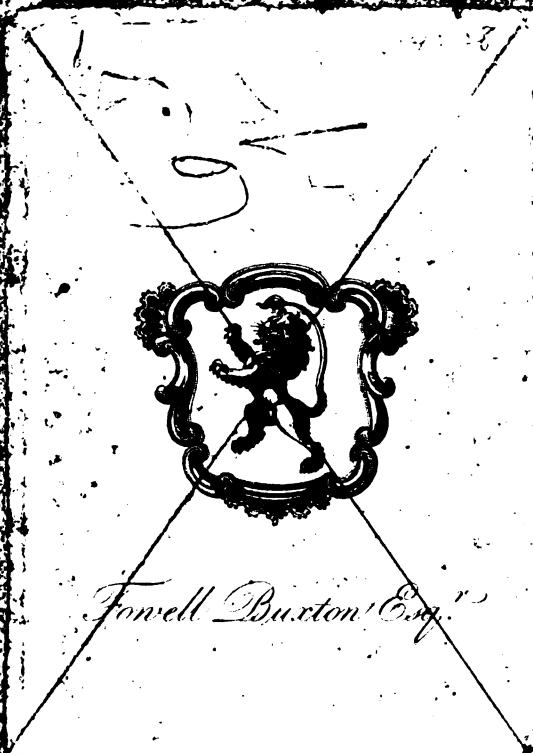
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From NOVEMBER the 1<sup>th</sup>, 1699,

In the Eleventh Year of the Reig<sup>of</sup>

KING WILLIAM the Third,

TO

MAY the 25<sup>th</sup>, 1702,

In the First Year of the Reig<sup>of</sup>

QUEEN A N N E.

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*Lunæ, 31<sup>o</sup> Die Maii, 1742.*

*Resolved,*

That all the Books of the Proceedings, or, *Journals of the House of Commons*; now in the Custody of the Clerk of the said House, and commencing with the Book called SEYMUR, which begins with the Reign of King *Edward* the Sixth, be printed.

# JOURNALS

## OF THE

### HOUSE *of* COMMONS.

*Jovis, 16<sup>o</sup> die Novembris;*

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii, Annoque Domini 1699.

Message to  
attend the  
King.

**A** MESSAGE from his Majesty, by Mr. *Aston*,  
Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:  
Mr. Speaker,

The King commands this Honourable House  
to attend him immediately in the House of Peers.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up  
to attend his Majesty:

And, being returned;

The King's  
Speech re-  
ported.

Mr. Speaker reported, That his Majesty had been  
pleased to make a gracious Speech to both Houses of  
Parliament; but that the Noise was great, and his  
Majesty's Voice low; and therefore he had desired and  
obtained a Copy thereof, to prevent any Mistakes therein:  
Which he read, and is as followeth; *viz.*

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I hope you will not think I have called you out of  
your Countries too soon, if you consider, that our com-  
mon Security requires a farther Provision should be made  
for the safety of the Kingdom by Sea and Land, before  
we are at the End of what was granted for that Purpose  
the last Session: And, when you enter upon this Business,  
I believe you will think it necessary to take care of the  
Repairs of the Ships, and of the Fortifications; without  
which, our Fleet cannot be safe, when it is in Harbour.

I cannot omit to put you in mind of another Matter,  
in which so great a Number of my Subjects is concerned,  
and wherein the Honour of the Kingdom, and the Faith  
of Parliaments, is so far engaged, that our future Security  
seems to depend upon it; I mean, the making good the  
Deficiencies of the Funds, and the discharging the Debts  
contracted by reason of the War: And, till we may be  
so happy to see the publick Debts paid, I shall hope that  
no Session will end, without something done towards  
lessening them.

While I am speaking to you on this Head, I think  
myself obliged to mention, with a very particular Con-  
cern, a Debt which is owing to the Prince of *Denmark*;  
the State whereof I have ordered to be laid before you.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

These Things are of such Importance, that I must ear-  
nestly recommend them to your Consideration, and desire  
you to provide the necessary Supplies.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

There is nothing I should more rejoice in, than that I  
were not under the Necessity of so often asking Aids of  
my People: But as the Reason of it is evident, because

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the Funds, formerly applied to defray the publick Ex-  
pence, are now anticipated for Payment of the Debts of  
the Kingdom; so it is my Satisfaction, that you all see,  
that nothing of what is demanded is for any personal  
Use of mine: And I do faithfully assure you, that no  
Part of what is given, shall be diverted from any Purpose  
for which it is designed.

I believe the Nation is already sensible of the good  
Effects of Peace, by the manifest Increase of Trade; which  
I shall make it my Business to encourage by all Means  
in my Power: Probably it might receive an Advantage,  
if some good Bill were prepared for the more effectual  
preventing and punishing unlawful and clandestine Trade-  
ing; which does not only tend to defraud the Publick,  
but prejudices the fair Merchant, and discourages our own  
Manufactures.

The Increase of the Poor is become a Burden to the  
Kingdom; and their loose and idle Life does, in some  
measure, contribute to that Depravation of Manners,  
which is complained of, I fear, with too much Reason:  
Whether the Ground of this Evil be from Defects in the  
Laws already made, or in the Execution of them, deserves  
your Consideration: As it is an indispensable Duty, that  
the Poor, who are not able to help themselves, should be  
maintained; so I cannot but think it extremely desirable,  
that such as are able and willing, should not want Em-  
ployment; and such as are obstinate and unwilling, should  
be compelled to labour.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I have a full Assurance of the good Affections of my  
People; which I shall endeavour to preserve, by a con-  
stant care of their just Rights and Liberties; by main-  
taining the established Religion; by seeing the Course of  
Justice kept steady and equal; by countenancing Virtue,  
and discouraging Vice; and by declining no Difficulties  
or Dangers, where their Welfare and Prosperity may be  
concerned: These are my Resolutions; and I am per-  
suaded, that you are come together with Purposes on your  
Part suitable to these on mine. Since then our Aims are  
only for the general Good, let us act with Confidence in  
one another; which will not fail, by God's Blessing, to  
make me a happy King, and you a great and flourishing  
People.

Afterwards, a Bill against the corrupt Mixing and Sophisticat-  
ing Wines was read the First time; and ing Wines.  
ordered to be read a Second time.

Ordered, That the grand Committee for Religion do Grand Com-  
sit every *Tuesday*, in the Afternoon, in the House. mittee.

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Ordered,

Grand Com-  
mittees.

*Ordered*, That the grand Committee for Grievances do sit every *Thursday*, in the Afternoon, in the House.

*Ordered*, That the grand Committee for Trade do sit every *Saturday*, in the Afternoon, in the House.

*Ordered*, That the grand Committee for Courts of Justice do sit every *Friday*, in the Afternoon, in the House.

Committee  
of Privileges.

*Ordered*, That a Committee of Privileges and Elections be appointed of Sir Rowland Gwyne, Sir Henry Johnson, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Champnyes, Sir Sam. Barnardiston, Lord Coningsby, Sir Wm. Cook, Sir Tho. Grosvenor, Sir Robert Cotton, Mr. Travers, Sir Ja. Houlton, Sir Tho. Cook, Lord Ranelagh, Mr. Harcourt, Sir Steph. Lenard, Sir Wm. Villers, Mr. Vernon, Mr. Poultney, Mr. Barnardiston, Sir Owen Buckingham, Sir Richard Cocks, Sir John Bolles, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Newport, Sir Wm. Ashurst, Mr. Whitchcott, Sir Fra. Blake, Mr. Brewer, Sir John Phillips, Mr. Bridges, Sir Roger Bradshaw, Mr. Ashurst, Sir Barth. Shower, Mr. Mountague, Sir Walter Young, Mr. Lowther, Mr. Rider, Mr. Clark, Sir Henry Ashurst, Mr. Price, Mr. Mitchell, Sir Wm. Brownlow, Mr. Fownes, Mr. Bertie, Mr. Moor, Mr. Smith, Colonel Wharton, Mr. Compton, Sir Cha. Sidley, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Woollaston, Mr. Bertie, Sir John Fagg, Mr. Sayer, Mr. Mountsteeven, Mr. Ettrick, Mr. Sloane, Mr. Hare, Mr. Parkhurst, Mr. Chase, Sir Tho. Dacall, Sir Theoph. Oglethorp, Sir Wm. Drake, Sir Cha. Hedges, Mr. Carter, Sir John Garrat, Mr. Scobell, Mr. Fox, Mr. Pendarvis, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Milbank, Mr. Henly, Lord Cornbury: And they are to meet upon *Wednesday* next, at Four a Clock in the Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chambers; and to meet every *Friday*, *Monday*, and *Wednesday*, in the Place before-mentioned: And all that come are to have Voices: And they are to take into Consideration all such Matters as shall or may come in question touching Returns, Elections, and Privileges; and to proceed upon Double Returns in the First Place; and to report their Proceedings, with their Opinion therein, to the House, from time to time: And all Persons that will question Returns, are to do it in Fourteen Days next, and so within Fourteen Days next after any new Return that shall be brought in: And the Committee is to have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records, for their Information: And all Members, who are returned for Two or more Places, are to make their Elections by this Day Three Weeks, for which of the Places they will serve; provided there be no Question upon the Return for that Place: And if any thing shall come in question touching the Return, Election, or Matter of Privilege, of any Member, he is to withdraw during the Time the Matter is in Debate: And that all Members, returned upon Double Returns, do withdraw till their Returns are determined.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do admit but Two Counsel of a Side to be heard in any Cause before them.

Usual  
Orders.

*Resolved*, That no Person be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, upon any Complaint of Breach of Privilege, until the Matter of such Complaint hath been examined by the Committee of Privileges, and reported to the House.

*Resolved*, That no Member have Privilege of Parliament in any Cause, where . . . is only a Trustee.

Newark  
Election.

A Petition of John Rayner Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Newark in the County of Nottingham, the Petitioner with James Saunderson Esquire, were duly elected to serve for the said Borough; but many illegal Practices were used by Edward Hobson the then Mayor, and several others, who refused to poll several qualified Persons, who would have voted for the Petitioner; and polled several unqualified Persons for Sir Francis Molyneux,

whom the Mayor hath returned with the said Mr. Saunderson, in Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying the Justice and Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of several Inhabitants of the said Borough Newark paying Scot and Lot, on behalf of themselves, and divers others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Burgesses to serve in this Parliament for Newark in the County of Nottingham, James Saunderson Esquire, Sir Francis Molineux, and John Rayner Esquire, stood Candidates; and the Majority of qualified Voters appeared, and demanded to poll, for John Rayner Esquire, who ought to have been returned with the said Mr. Saunderson; but Edward Hobson the Mayor, with divers others, used many undue Practices, by polling unqualified Voters for Sir Francis Molyneux, and refusing those that were qualified, and demanded to poll for Mr. Rayner; and hath returned Mr. Molineux with Mr. Saunderson, in Violation of the Rights of the Inhabitants of the said Borough, and in Wrong to the said Mr. Rayner: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of several Persons, Inhabitants within the Borough of St. Ives, in the County of Cornwall, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Burgesses to serve in Parliament were, Time out of Mind, chosen for the said Borough by such of its Inhabitants as were of full Age, and did not receive Alms; and, at the last Election of Burgesses, the Petitioners, and divers other qualified Voters, appeared, and demanded to be polled, for Sir Henry Hubbert Baronet; but the Mayor of the said Borough arbitrarily refused to let them be polled; and declared, That, by virtue of the late King James's Charter, the Right of Election was solely in the Mayor, Capital Burgesses, and Assistants; and that none should be polled, but those that voted under that Charter: And thereupon he hath illegally returned Sir Charles Wyndham to be One of the said Burgesses, in manifest Wrong to the ancient Rights of the Petitioners: And praying, That such Justice may be done them, as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of William Duncomb and Thomas Bromsall Esquires, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Knights of the Shire for the County of Bedford, the Lord Edward Russell and Sir Wm. Gostwick were returned to serve, by reason that Votes were procured for them by Entertainments, and other indirect Means; and for that many Freeholders, who had Right, and offered to poll for the Petitioners, were denied to be polled by the Sheriff, and his Officers, in Prejudice to the Petitioners, who ought to have been returned: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of Robert Monckton Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen One of the Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Pontefract in the County of York, and ought to have been returned with Sir John Bland;

*Bland*; but *John Bright* Esquire, by illegal Practices, hath procured himself to be returned, in Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Alborough Election.

A Petition of *Christopher Tankard* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner had been chosen a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Alborough* in the County of *York*, had it not been for notorious Bribery and Menaces before, at, and since the Election, as he doubts not to prove: And praying the Justice of the House therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Malden Election.

A Petition of *William Fitch* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for *Malden* in *Essex*, *Sir Eliab Harvey*, *Irby Mountague* Esquire, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates; and most of the legal Voters were for the Petitioner; but, by undue Practices, the Bailiffs of the said Borough have returned *Mr. Mountague*, in Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Bishops Castle Election.

A Petition of *Sir Gilbert Gerrard* Baronet, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bishops Castle* in the County of *Salop*, the Petitioner had the Majority of legal Voices; yet, in an arbitrary Manner, and contrary to the ancient Custom of the Borough, *Sir Wm. Brownlow* was unduly returned; which, with other illegal Practices, are in Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying such Relief in the Premises, as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Thetford Election.

A Petition of *Edmund Soame* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the last Election of Burgesses for *Thetford* in the County of *Norfolk*, *Sir Joseph Williamson*, and the Petitioner, had the Majority of qualified Electors; but the Mayor of *Thetford* refused several qualified Voters, and admitted others unqualified to poll for *James Sloane* Esquire, who hath procured himself to be returned; and many other illegal Practices were used at the said Election, in Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Orford Election.

A Petition of *Sir Edmund Bacon* Baronet, and *William Johnson* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, on the 28th of July 1698, the Petitioners were duly chosen Members to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Orford* in the County of *Suffolk*; but *Sir Tho. Felton* and *Sir Cha. Hedges* have procured themselves to be returned, though they were neither duly chosen, nor duly returned: And praying the

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House to appoint some short Day for hearing the Matter of the said Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *William Culliford* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, a late Election for a Burgess to serve in Parliament for *Corfe Castle*, in the County of *Dorset*, being declared void as to *Richard Fownes* Esquire, and the Petitioner, a new Writ issued for another Election, and they again stood Candidates; but *Henry Dackombe*, the Mayor, openly declared himself in favour of *Mr. Fownes*, and arbitrarily refused to poll for the Petitioner many legal Voters, and admitted several Persons to poll for *Mr. Fownes* who had no right to vote; yet, notwithstanding such indirect Practices, the Petitioner had a great Majority of legal Votes, and ought to have been returned, the Majority appearing upon casting up of the Poll; but the said Mayor declared he would return *Mr. Fownes*, for all that: Nor could the Petitioner prevail with the Mayor to enter upon a Scrutiny of those which were queried, and agreed to be examined after the Poll; but, in manifest Breach of his Trust, and Prejudice of the Petitioner, he proclaimed *Mr. Fownes* as duly elected: And praying the Justice and Equity of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein to the House.

A Petition of several of the Magistrates, Burgesses, and Inhabitants, of the said Borough of *Corfe Castle*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, a new Writ issuing for electing a Burgess to serve in Parliament for the said Borough, in the room of *William Culliford* Esquire, whose late Election, in Competition with *Richard Fownes* Esquire, was adjudged void, the said *Mr. Culliford* and *Mr. Fownes* stood Candidates again: But the Mayor, resolving, right or wrong, to carry on the Election for *Mr. Fownes*, did not only refuse to poll a great Number of legal Electors for *Mr. Culliford*, who were admitted in all former Elections; but admitted others to poll for *Mr. Fownes*, who had no Right, and never were polled before: And though the Petitioners often desired the Mayor to proceed in this as in former Elections, yet he would not; but arbitrarily carried on the Election in behalf of *Mr. Fownes*, without the least Regard to the People's Right; and yet *Mr. Culliford* had a much greater Number of good Votes; but the said Mayor peremptorily declared *Mr. Fownes* as duly elected, and has returned him, in Violation of the Rights of the said Borough, which are in Danger of being totally subverted, as to Elections, without the Relief of this House: And praying their Consideration in the Premises; and that the said Mayor may be brought to answer such his illegal Practices.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *John Weston* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Burgesses to serve in this Parliament for the Borough of *Guilford*, *Morgan Randyll* Esquire, and the Petitioner, were duly chosen; but the then Mayor of the said Borough hath wrongfully returned *Foot Onslow* Esquire, with *Mr. Randyll*; and refused to poll several Persons for the Petitioner, though he admitted others, under the same Qualifications, to poll for *Mr. Onslow*; and, in several other Instances, the Mayor was highly partial: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Fowey  
Election.

A Petition of *Shadrack Vincent* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Burgesses to serve in this Parliament for the Borough of *Fowey* in the County of *Cornwall*, the Petitioner stood a Candidate, and ought to have been returned a Burgess; because a great Majority of the legal Voters appeared and voted for him: But *Jonathan Tincomb*, Portreve of the said Borough, arbitrarily, and contrary to the ancient Rights of the said Borough, refused to poll the Petitioner's Voices, who had almost all the qualified Voters; and wrongfully returned Sir *Bevil Grenville*, and *Thomas Vivian* Esquire; declaring he would not return the Petitioner, though he had never so many Voices; but that he would return Sir *Bevil Grenville*, if he had but Four: And the Portreve being told, That the Petitioner might recover Damages against him for such his false Return, answered, That he hoped to get 500*l.* by the Bargain, and would not return the Petitioner, though the Majority signed and sealed an Indenture for returning him as One of their Burgesses; and many other ill Practices were used in behalf of the sitting Members: And praying such Relief in the Premises, as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Dunwich  
Election.

A Petition of Sir *Henry Johnson* Knight, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Dunwich* in *Suffolk*, the Petitioner was duly chosen by a Majority of legal Electors; but Sir *Robert Rich*, and *Henry Heveningham* Esquire, by divers corrupt Practices in procuring unqualified Votes for themselves, and procuring the Bailiffs and Recorder to refuse divers qualified Voters for the Petitioner, have gotten themselves to be returned, and refused a Scrutiny of the Polls, whereby the Truth of the Matter might appear: And praying, That a short Day may be appointed for hearing the Matter of the said Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Great  
Bedwyn  
Election.

A Petition of *Thomas Neale* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Burgesses to serve in this Parliament for *Great Bedwyn* in the County of *Wilts*, the Petitioner, and *Charles Dacenant*, and others, stood as Candidates; and many indirect Means were used by Mr. *Dacenant*, and his Agents, to gain Votes for him; otherwise the Petitioner had had the Majority against him, or any other of the Candidates; and the Petitioner ought to have been returned as One of the said Burgesses: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Newport  
Election.

A Petition of *John Prideaux* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Newport* in the County of *Cornwall*, the Petitioner, and *Francis Stratford* Esquire, stood Candidates; and the Petitioner had a Majority of Three-and-thirty Voices, duly qualified; notwithstanding which, the Voyanders, who, with the Freeholders and Inhabitants who ought to make the Return, withdrew themselves from the said Borough, without making any Declaration who was

elected, though they were demanded so to do by the Petitioner, and the Electors; and, in another County, by themselves alone, signed a Return for the said Mr. *Stratford*, contrary to their Duty, in Prejudice to the Petitioner, and the antient Rights and Constitution of the said Borough: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and speedy Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Great Grimsby* in the County of *Lincoln*, in the room of Sir *Edward Ayscoghe* Knight, deceased.

Great  
Grimsby  
Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Knight to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Oxon*, in the room of *Mountague Lord Norres*, now Earl of *Abington*, called up to the House of Lords.

Oxford Writ

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Knight to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Glamorgan*, in the room of *Bussy Mansell* Esquire, deceased.

Glamorgan  
Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *St. Germans* in the County of *Cornwall*, in the room of *John Tanner* Esquire, deceased.

St. Germans  
Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Newcastle under Line* in the County of *Stafford*, in the room of Sir *Thomas Bellott* Baronet, deceased.

Newcastle  
under Line  
Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Knight to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Salop*, in the room of *Edward Kinaston* Esquire, deceased.

Salop Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Warwick*, in the room of the Honourable *Robert Grevill* Esquire, deceased.

Warwick  
Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Town of *Nottingham* in the County of *Nottingham*, in the room of *Richard Slater* Esquire, deceased.

Nottingham  
Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bridgwater* in the County of *Somerset*, in the room of *Roger Hoar* Esquire, deceased.

Bridgwater  
Writ.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon To-morrow Sevensnight, take into Consideration his Majesty's gracious Speech this Day made to both Houses of Parliament.

King's Speech  
to be con-  
sidered.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to consider of Ways for the better providing for the Poor, and setting them on Work.

Employing  
the Poor.

And it is referred to Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Sir *John Phillips*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *Walter Young*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Hamond*,



*Hamond*, Sir John Fleet, Sir James Houlton, Sir Wm. Blacket, Mr. Hopkins, Sir John Bolles, Sir Henry Parker, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Henley, Mr. Clark, Sir Wm. Cowper, Mr. Conyers, Sir Rich. Onslow, Mr. Dormer, Sir Barth. Shower, Mr. Newport, Mr. Moor, Mr. Scobell, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Carter, Mr. Cowper, Lord Ranelagh, Mr. Ballock, Sir Wm. Villers, Mr. Blathwait, Mr. Vernon, Dr. Dacchant, Mr. Tilney, Mr. Yates; and all that serve for the Counties of Devon, Somerset, Gloucester, Wilts, and Yorkshire: And all that come to have Voices.

**Ordered**, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to consider of the Acts relating to the Poor; and of the Repealing the same, and reducing the same into One Law: And also, That they have Power to receive Proposals for the Purposes aforesaid; and to sit *de die in diem*.

Preservation  
of Timber.

**Ordered**, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Increase and better Preservation of Timber: And that Sir Rowland Gwynne do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Printing the  
Votes.

**Ordered**, That the Votes of the House be printed: And that Mr. Speaker do peruse the same, and appoint the Printing thereof: And that no other do presume to print the same, but such as he shall appoint.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow  
Sevensnight, Eight a Clock in the Morning.

Veneris, 24° die Novembris;

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Reading  
Election.

**A** PETITION of Sir Thomas Stamp, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Reading in the County of Berks, the Petitioner, Sir Owen Buckingham, John Dalby Esquire, and others, stood Candidates; who severally appointed a Person to give Notice of such as they conceived had no Right to poll, in order, if polled, to be queried and examined: But Thomas Oades, then Mayor of Reading, forbade Edward Winchip, appointed by the Petitioner, to give such Notice, and several times threatened to strike him if he did; which deterred Winchip from giving Notice, and many were polled who had no right: Whereupon the Petitioner demanded a Scrutiny, but the Mayor would allow him but Two Hours time to refresh, and procure Friends to assist in the Scrutiny, although 1340 Persons were polled; and the Petitioner, and his Friends, came at the Time and Place by the Mayor appointed; but, before that, he had declared the Election for Sir Owen Buckingham and Mr. Dalby, without any Scrutiny: That Mr. Dalby, by Promises and Threats, procured himself to be returned, though the Petitioner had a Majority of legal Votes, and ought to have been returned: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

**Ordered**, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Mares  
Election.

A Petition of Sir John Havel Knight, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of St. Mares in the County of Cornwall, the Petitioner, and Hugh Fortescue Esquire, were duly chosen by the greater Number of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the said Borough, who have the Right of Election; notwithstanding which, the Portreve of the said Borough hath returned, That Sir Joseph Tredenham and John Tredenham Esquire, were chosen Burgesses: And praying Redress in the said Matter by the House.

**Ordered**, That the Consideration of the said Petition

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be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of Sir Alexander Rigby Knight, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Wigan in the County of Lancaster, the Petitioner, Sir Roger Bradshaw, and Orlando Bridgman Esquire, stood Candidates; when, and before, many undue Practices were made use of by Sir Roger and Mr. Bridgman, or their Agents, as, *inter al*, the making Persons free after the Proclamation for dissolving the last Parliament, who were Strangers to the Town, and many of them dwelling in other Counties, on purpose to vote for them; and denying others their Freedom who were of the Corporation, and had a Right, and claimed the same, because they would vote for the Petitioner; and yet the Petitioner, on casting up the Poll, had the Majority, and ought to have been returned; but the Mayor of the said Borough hath returned the said Sir Roger Bradshaw, or Mr. Bridgman, in Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

Wigan  
Election.

**Ordered**, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of Sir Thomas Skipwith Baronet, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Malmesbury in the County of Wilts, Mr. Michael Weeks and Mr. Edward Pansford, by divers illegal and corrupt Practices of William Ady, an Officer of the said Borough, and other their Agents, procured themselves to be returned as Members to serve for the said Borough, in Prejudice to the Petitioner's Right: And praying the House to examine the Matter, and do the Petitioner such Justice as shall be thought fit.

Malmesbury  
Election.

In relation whereunto the Reports and Resolutions of the last Session were read.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections; and they to examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House;

It passed in the Negative.

**Ordered**, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more effectual executing of an Act of Parliament, made in the 8th and 9th Year of his present Majesty, intituled, An Act to restore the Market at Blackwell-hall to the Clothiers; and for regulating the Factors there: And that Mr. Eyre, Sir Richard Cocks, and Mr. How, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Blackwell-  
hall Cloth  
Market.

**Ordered**, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament: And that Mr. Hammond and Mr. Rowney do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Impartial  
Proceedings  
in Parlia-  
ment.

**Ordered**, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, for the general Quiet of the Subject, against all Pretences of Concealments, Encroachments, and other defective Titles: And that Sir Richard Cocks and Mr. Thursby do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Defective  
Titles.

**Ordered**, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Ease of Sheriffs in passing their Accounts: And that Mr. Harley and Mr. How do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Ease of  
Sheriffs.

**Ordered**, That the Doors of the Speaker's Chambers be locked up every Day at the Sitting of the House; and the Keys brought in, and laid upon the Table.

Usual  
Orders.

**Ordered**, That all Proceedings upon private Business do cease, and be adjourned, every Day at Eleven a Clock.

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Ordered,

Usual  
Orders.

*Ordered*, That there be Three Days between the several Readings of all private Bills.

*Ordered*, That no private Bill be brought into this House, but upon a Petition setting forth the Suggestions and Reasons for the same.

*Ordered*, That the Chairman of the Committee, upon the Report of every private Bill, do acquaint the House, Whether the Allegations of the Bill have been examined, and the Parties concerned have given their Consents to the Satisfaction of the Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Chairman of the Committee for any private Bill do not sit thereupon, without a Week's publick Notice thereof set up in the Lobby.

King's  
Speech con-  
sidered.

The House, according to the Order of the Day, proceeded to take into Consideration his Majesty's most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament, the Sixteenth Instant.

And the same was again read by Mr. Speaker.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of his Majesty's most gracious Speech.

Committee  
of Privileges.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections be adjourned till *Monday* next, at Four a Clock in the Afternoon.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Lunæ, 27° die Novembris;*

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Mitchell  
Election.

A PETITION of *Antony Row* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Portreve of *Mitchell* in the County of *Cornwall*, hath unduly returned Sir *John Hawles*, as a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough, in manifest Wrong to the Petitioner, who had a great Majority of legal Votes: And praying such Relief, as may be consistent with the Justice of the House.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Dittb.

A Petition of Sir *Richard Blackham* Baronet, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Mitchell* in the County of *Cornwall*; but, by reason of divers illegal Practices, *Frederick Vincent* the Portreve, contrary to the Custom of the said Borough, hath returned Sir *John Hawles* and *John Pooley* Esquire, as chosen Burgesses, in Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

St. Mawes  
Election.

A Petition of *Hugh Fortescue* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Right of electing Burgesses to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *Saint Mawes* in the County of *Cornwall*, was always in the Freeholders and Inhabitants thereof; by the greater Number whereof, the Petitioner, and Sir *John Hawles*, were duly elected to serve in this present Parliament; but the Portreeve of the said Borough returned, That Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, and *John Tredenham* Esquire, were chosen Burgesses: And praying the Redress of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of Sir *Jeffrey Jeffreys* Knight, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Brecon* in the County of *Brecon*, the Petitioner, and *Tho. Morgan* Esquire, stood Candidates; and many illegal Practices were used by *Howell Jones* Esquire, Bailiff of the said Borough, in Behalf of Mr. *Morgan*, whom he hath returned, in Wrong to the Petitioner, who had the Majority of legal Votes: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

Brecon  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to inspect the Journals of the House for the last Session, What was done upon the Petition of *John Goodall*, and other Petitions, relating to the Abuses of the Prisons of the *King's-Bench* and *Fleet*; and report the same to the House.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

And it is referred to Mr. *Carter*, Sir *William Cowper*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Hamond*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Mr. *Dryden*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Stringer*, Sir *Wm. Cook*, Sir *John Aubry*, Mr. *Offley*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Morgan*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Lord *Cavendish*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Sir *Wm. Villers*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Calthorp*, Mr. *Morgan*, Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Barnardiston*, Sir *Jo. Packington*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Louther*; or any Five of them: And they are to meet upon *Wednesday* next, at Four a Clock in the Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to examine the Entries of the Journals, and what has been done upon the former Laws against the Exportation of Wool, and for the Encouraging the Woollen Manufacture; and to report the same, with their Opinions of what may be further necessary to be done.

Exporting  
Wool.

And it is referred to Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Francis Windham*, Mr. *Jervois*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Heveningham*, Mr. *Barnardiston*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Grenville*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Smith*, Sir *Francis Blake*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Sir *Richard Farrington*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Sir *Walter Young*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Hancock*, Lord *Hartington*, Mr. *Duncomb*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *Duke*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Gloucester*, *Wilts*, *Dorset*, and *York*; or any Five of them: And all that come to have Voices: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber; and sit *de die in diem*.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do examine, How far it is a Prejudice to the Woollen Manufacture, that the new *East-India* Company are not obliged to export to the Value of 100,000*l.* per Annum of the Woollen Manufacture, as the old *East-India* Company was obliged to do.

A Petition of *Edward Webb* Mayor Elect of the Borough of *Newport*, in the Isle of *Wight*, was presented to the House.

Privilege of a  
Member as a  
public  
Officer.

And the same relating to the Lord *Cutts*, a Member of this House; who not being in the House;

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Cutts* do attend in his Place Tomorrow Morning: And that the Petition be then read.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Hereford*, in the room of *Paul Foley* Esquire, deceased.

Hereford  
Writ.

The

King's  
Speech con-  
sidered.

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of his Majesty's most gracious Speech, being read;  
*Ordered*, That the Consideration of his Majesty's most gracious Speech be referred to the said Committee.

Members  
summoned.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant do go with the Mace into *Westminster Hall*, and the Courts there, and the Court of Requests; and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House.  
And he went accordingly.  
And, being returned with the Mace;

The House resolved itself into the said Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Martis, 28<sup>o</sup> die Novembris;*

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Noble's  
Estate.

A PETITION of *Thomas Noble* Gentleman, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, upon the Marriage of the Petitioner with his now Wife, a Third Part of the Manor of *Faxton* undivided was settled upon her and her Issue; which Third Part, lying intermixt with other Lands, cannot be improved to the best Advantage; but the Petitioner has purchased an entire Estate, in *Rolleston* in *Leicestershire*, of greater yearly Value; and is willing, at the Desire of his Wife, and her Trustees, to settle so much thereof as is of greater Value than the Third Part of *Faxton*, to the same Uses: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Petitioner to sell the Third Part of the Manor of *Faxton*, so soon as he shall have made a Settlement of Lands in *Rolleston*, of greater Value, to the same Uses as in the First Settlement.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Carter* and Sir *Wm. Villers* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Westminster  
Small Debts.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the ancient City and Liberties of *Westminster*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That a Court of Conscience within the City of *London*, for determining small Debts under Forty Shillings, hath been found of great Advantage to the poorer Sort of Freemen: That the City and Liberties of *Westminster* are very populous, and the Poor daily increase; and, for want of a Court of Conscience, many vexatious Suits and Actions arise for small Debts, the Expences whereof are greater than the Debts, to the Ruin of their Families, and the Filling of Prisons with miserable Debtors: And that, in the First Year of his now Majesty, an Act passed for erecting the like Courts of Conscience in the Cities of *Bristol* and *Gloucester*, which had the designed Effect: The Petitioners therefore pray, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to erect a Court of Conscience within the said City and Liberties, for determining all Matters of Debt, and Actions upon the Case, under the Value of Forty Shillings; it being conceived for the general Benefit of all Sorts of People inhabiting within the said City and Liberties.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to erect a Court of Conscience within the City of *Westminster*.

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ster, and Liberties thereof: And that the Lord *Cornbury* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of *John Whitrow* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Sir *Joseph Herne*, and the Petitioner, were duly chosen Members to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Clifton Dartmouth Hardnesse* in the County of *Devon*; but the Mayor of the said Borough was prevailed with to return *Frederick Herne* Esquire, in Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying such Relief therein as the House shall think fit.

And the House being acquainted, That the former Petition of the said Mr. *Whitrow*, the last Session, was then against both the Sitting Members; and taking Notice, That the present Petition is only against one of them;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections; and that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of several Merchants and Traders, in behalf of themselves, and others, within the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by the Course of their Dealings, they are very sensible of the Mischief Trade lies under by the Abuses and ill Practices of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* Prisons; especially the latter, which is become a mere licensing Office to all ill-designing Dealers; whereby all the Laws in being to confine any Person are rendered insignificant; which tends to the Ruin of all personal Credit: For Remedy whereof, this House came to several good Resolutions last Session; but, by reason of the Prorogation, did not perfect the same: And praying the House to redress those Grievances by such Methods as shall be thought fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, who are appointed to inspect the Journals of the House for the last Session, What was done upon the Petition of *John Goodall*, and other Petitions relating to the Abuses of the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Bill, against the corrupt Mixing and Sophisticating of Wines, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Richard Cocks*, Sir *Theoph. Oglethorpe*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Mountstevens*, Mr. *Wynn*, Sir *Cha. Sidley*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Eyre*, Mr. *Davenant*, Mr. *Gerrard*, Mr. *Morgan*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *Hancock*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Travers*, Mr. *Hysham*, Sir *Fra. Windham*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Calthrop*, Mr. *Eyre*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Hughes*, Sir *Wm. Cooke*, Lord *Cornbury*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to oblige Merchants, upon making their Entries, to declare of what Country Growth the Wines they import are.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the present State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

The Lord *Cutts* attending in his Place, according to Order;

The Petition of *Edward Webb* Mayor Elect of the Borough of *Newport*, in the Isle of *Wight*, presented to the House Yesterday, was read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, and one *Francis Searle*, a Gunner of *Casbrook Castle*, under the Command of the Lord *Cutts*, a Member of this House, were Candidates for Mayor of the said Borough; and the Petitioner had Eleven Votes, and

*Searle*

Dartmouth  
Election.

King's Bench  
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Prisons.

Sophisticat-  
ing Wines.

State of  
Trade.

Privilege of  
a Member as  
a public  
Officer.

*Searle* but Five; yet the Lord *Cutts*' Steward, who, or the Lord *Cutts*, is to swear in the Mayor, hath sworn in the said *Searle*: And the Petitioner brought Three *Mandamus's*; to the Third of which the Lord *Cutts*, though the Steward was served with the Processes, returned, That the Petitioner was not duly elected: Upon which, the Petitioner intended to bring his Action, to try his Right; but the Lord *Cutts* insists on his Privilege; whereby the Petitioner is like to lose the Benefit of this Term: And praying, That the Lord *Cutts* may be obliged to wave his Privilege, so as the Rights of the Petitioner, and the said Corporation, may be tried.

And the Lord *Cutts* was heard to the same.

*Resolved*, That no Member of this House, acting as a publick Officer, hath any Privilege of Parliament, touching any Matter done in Execution of his Office.

Resolutions  
and Address  
on King's  
Speech.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of his Majesty's most gracious Speech, the Resolutions of the said Committee; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That it will equally conduce to the continuing and establishing an entire Confidence between the King and this House, That his Majesty will be pleased to shew Marks of his Displeasure towards such Persons as have or shall presume to misrepresent the Proceedings of this Parliament to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That it will equally conduce to the continuing and establishing an entire Confidence between the King and his People, That Care be taken to prevent and discourage all false Rumours and Reports, reflecting on his Majesty, and his Government; whereby to create any Misunderstanding between Him and his Subjects.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to draw up an humble Address, to be presented to his Majesty, upon the said Resolutions.

And it is referred to Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Sir *Chr. Musgrove*, Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, Mr. *Gerrard*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Mr. *Henly*, Colonel *Granville*, Serjeant *Thurland*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Mountague*, Sir *Edw. Seymour*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Cooper*, Sir *Wm. Ellis*, Mr. *Boyle*, Mr. *Godolphin*, Sir *Wm. Cooke*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Hooper*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Topham*, Lord *Fitzharding*, Mr. *Smith*, or any Five of them: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Charters.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That a Committee be appointed to examine all the Proceedings relating to Charters; and what new Charters have been granted during this Reign; and to report the Fact to the House.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to examine all the Proceedings relating to Charters; and what new Charters have been granted during this Reign; and to report the Fact to the House.

And it is referred to Sir *Christopher Musgrove*, Mr. *Gerrard*, Mr. *How*, Lord *Cheine*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Lord *Fitzharding*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Hopkins*, Mr. *Winington*, Sir *Wm. Cowper*, Serjeant *Thurland*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Mountstevens*, Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, Mr. *Moor*, Sir *Wm. Cook*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *Cowper*, Mr. *Mitchell*, Colonel *Granville*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Dormer*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Jervois*, Sir *Fra. Blake*, Sir *Henry Johnson*,

Mr. *Foley*; or any Five of them: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And are empowered to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That an humble Address may be made to his Majesty, That he will be pleased to issue his Royal Proclamation for the Suppressing of all Vice and Immorality; and for putting the Laws into Execution relating thereunto; and for the more effectual Suppressing of Duelling.

Suppressing  
Vice,  
Immorality,  
and Duelling.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be made to his Majesty, That he will be pleased to issue his Royal Proclamation for the Suppressing of all Vice and Immorality; and for putting the Laws in Execution relating thereunto.

*Ordered*, That this Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to prepare Heads for a Bill against Gaming and Duelling.

Gaming and  
Duelling.

And it is referred to Mr. *How*, Lord *Cutts*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *John Phillips*, Sir *Edw. Seymour*, Mr. *Molyneux*, Sir *Theop. Oglethorp*, Mr. *Dormer*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Sir *Rich. Cox*, Mr. *Cocks*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Sloane*, Mr. *Mountstevens*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*; or any Five of them: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That a Committee may be appointed to inspect the Commissions of the Peace, and Commissions to Deputy Lieutenants, as they now stand, and as they were for Seven Years last past.

Commissions  
of Deputy  
Lieutenants,  
&c.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to inspect the Commissions of the Peace, and Commissions to Deputy Lieutenants, as they now stand, and as they were for Seven Years last past.

And it is referred to Sir *Christopher Musgrove*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Mr. *Eyres*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Foley*, Sir *Walter Young*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Roberts*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Mr. *Barnardiston*, Sir *Cha. Carteret*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Mr. *Gerrard*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Bridges*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. *Mountstevens*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Perry*, Mr. *Henley*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*; or any Five of them: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

A Motion being made for a Supply to be granted to his Majesty;

Supply.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That this House will, upon Thursday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of that Motion.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii, 29° die Novembris;*

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

*ORDERED*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of the Customs do, upon Friday Morning next, lay before this House an Account of the Produce of the Customs, from *Michaelmas* 1697, to *Michaelmas* 1698; and from *Michaelmas* 1698, to *Michaelmas* 1699; together with their Opinions of what is necessary to be further done for the Improvement of the Trade of England.

Customs.

The House being informed, That the Petition of the Inhabitants



St. Ives  
Election.

Inhabitants within the Borough of *St. Ives* in the County of *Cornwall*, this Session, touching the Election for the said Borough, is different from that which was presented the last Sessions;

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Privileges and Elections, That they do examine whether the Petition this Session be the same in Substance with that which was presented the last Session: And that they do report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House: And that the Committee do the same, before they proceed upon the Merits of the said Election.

Fowey  
Election.

The House being informed, That the Petition of *Shadreck Vincent* Esquire, touching the Election for the Borough of *Fowey*, in the County of *Cornwall*, this Session, is different from that which was presented the last Session;

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Privileges and Elections, That they do examine whether the Petition this Session be the same in Substance with that which was presented the last Session: And that they do report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House: And that the Committee do the same before they proceed upon the Merits of the said Election.

Committee  
of Privileges.

A Debate arising in the House, concerning certain Orders lately made by the Committee of Privileges and Elections, relating to the giving Lists of Persons excepted on either Side, in Cases touching Elections depending before them; and the House considering the Inconveniences which have arisen thereby;

*Ordered*, That the said Orders be discharged: And that it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do make no such Orders for the future.

Report  
of  
Wight  
Election.

A Petition of *John Acton* Esquire, was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner and *Mr. Greenhill* stood Candidates to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Newport*, in the Isle of *Wight*; and the Petitioner was duly chosen; but the said *Mr. Greenhill*, being Commissioner of *Portsmouth Dock*, did, by corrupt Methods, procure himself to be returned to serve for the said Borough, to the Petitioner's Prejudice: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Impartial  
Proceedings  
in Parlia-  
ment.

*Mr. Hamond*, according to Order, presented to the House, a Bill for the more free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* next.

Call of the  
House.

*Ordered*, That the House be called over upon this Day *Sevensnight*: And that such Members as shall not then attend, be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Jovis, 30° die Novembris;*

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Carter's  
Bill.

*Mr. Carter*, according to Order, presented to the House, a Bill to enable *Thomas Noble* Gentleman, to sell the undivided Third-part of the Manor of *Foxton*, in the County of *Leicester*; and for settling other Lands, an entire Estate, of a greater Value, to the same Uses: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

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*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next.

A Petition of *Cyrill Arthington* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, and *Sir Abstrupus Danby*, stood as Candidates to serve as a Burgess in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Aldborough* in the County of *York*; and the Petitioner was legally chosen, and ought to have been returned; but, by divers illegal Practices, *Sir Abstrupus Danby* procured several Inhabitants of the said Borough to vote for him, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying, That a short Day may be appointed for hearing the Merits of the said Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of the Customs do lay before this House an Account of the Produce of his Majesty's Customs, from *Michaelmas* 1686, to *Michaelmas* 1687; and from *Michaelmas* 1687, to *Michaelmas* 1688.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for hindering Papists from disinheriting their Protestant Heirs: And that *Sir Richard Cocks* and *Mr. Stringer* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

The House, according to the Order of the Day, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Motion made on *Tuesday* last, for a Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Mr. Speaker* left the Chair.

*Mr. Couper* took the Chair of the Committee.

*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair.

*Mr. Couper* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Veneris, 1° die Decembris;*

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

*ORDERED*, That the Commissioners of the Customs do lay before this House an Account of the combed Wool, spun Worsted, and Woollen Yarn, imported from *Ireland*, from *Michaelmas* 1686, to *Michaelmas* 1687; and from *Michaelmas* 1687, to *Michaelmas* 1688; and from *Michaelmas* 1697, to *Michaelmas* 1698; and from *Michaelmas* 1698, to *Michaelmas* 1699.

*Mr. Couper*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of a Motion for a Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolution of the said Committee; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered it at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved, Nemine Contradicente*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of the Admiralty do, upon *Monday* Morning next, lay before this House,

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an Account of what is due to Seamen for Wages, both for the Ships to be paid off, and for the Recalls.

Surplus of Customs.

*Ordered*, That an Account also be laid before this House, upon *Monday* Morning next, of the Surplus of the Customs; what the same amount to; and what Part thereof hath been disposed of; and to what Uses; and likewise what remains still undisposed of.

Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Address on the King's Speech.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to draw up an humble Address to be presented to his Majesty, upon the Resolutions of the House of *Tuesday* last, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

Most gracious Sovereign,

We, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons in Parliament assembled, being highly sensible, that nothing is more necessary for the Peace and Welfare of this Kingdom, the quieting the Minds of your People, and disappointing the Designs of your Enemies, than a mutual and entire Confidence between your Majesty and your Parliament, do esteem it our greatest Misfortune, That, after having so amply provided for the Security of your Majesty, and your Government, both by Sea and Land, any Jealousy or Distrust hath been raised, of our Duty and Affections to your Sacred Majesty and your People; and beg leave humbly to represent to your Majesty, That it will greatly conduce to the continuing and establishing an entire Confidence between your Majesty and your Parliament, that you will be pleased to shew Marks of your high Displeasure towards all such Persons, who have, or shall presume to misrepresent their Proceedings to your Majesty.

And your Commons, having likewise a due Sense of the great Care and Concern your Majesty has always expressed, for preserving and maintaining the Religion, Rights, and Liberties of your People, in Defence of which your Majesty hath so often exposed your Royal Person, will use their utmost Care and Endeavour to prevent and discourage all false Rumours and Reports, reflecting upon your Majesty and your Government, whereby to create any Misunderstanding between you and your Subjects.

Several Amendments were proposed to be made: Which, upon the Question severally put thereupon, were agreed unto by the House; *viz.*

The Words "Most gracious Sovereign," and "high," were added.

*Resolved*, That the said Address, so amended, be agreed unto.

*Resolved*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do humbly know his Majesty's Pleasure when he will be attended by this House.

State of Trade.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the present State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That a Copy of the Privy Seal, and of the Indenture and Commission, under the Great Seal of *England*, granted to Captain *Kidd*; and of the Petition, and all other Papers, upon which the same were granted; be laid before the House; as also such Representations as were made by the Merchants, relating

to Piracies; and an Account of what Captain *Kidd* has done abroad; and what has been done thereupon here.

*Ordered*, That a Copy of the Privy Seal, and of the Indenture and Commission, under the Great Seal of *England*, granted to Captain *Kidd*; and of the Petition, and all other Papers upon which the same were granted; be laid before the House; as also such Representations as were made by the Merchants, relating to Piracies; and an Account of what Captain *Kidd* has done abroad; and what has been done thereupon here.

Kidd's Commission and Piracies.

Colonel *Granville* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Sabbati, 2° die Decembris;*

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

**A**PETITION of the Company of the Royal Fishery of *England* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That King *Charles* the Second, in the Twenty-ninth Year of his Reign, did, by his Letters Patents, incorporate the said Company, by the Name of the Royal Fishery of *England*; who have ever since, at great Expence, and Loss of Time, endeavoured to regain and establish the Fishery in the *British* Seas; and have employed several Sums of Money in making Experiments therein; by which they have gotten good Information and Experience: Whereupon, about Three Years since, they opened Books for taking Subscriptions to the Value of Three hundred thousand Pounds for carrying on so great and advantageous a Work; and thereupon Subscriptions were made; but the Subscribers were unwilling to pay in their Money, unless they can be established by Act of Parliament: And praying the House to take such reasonable Consideration in the Premises, as may tend to the Regaining of the said Fishery, the Encouragement of the Subscribers, and the Good of the Kingdom in general.

Royal Fishery.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*: And that they do consider of the best Ways and Means for the Improvement of the Fishery of *England*; and report their Opinions therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardnesse* in the County of *Devon*, in the room of Sir *Joseph Herne* Knight, deceased.

Dartmouth Writ.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had been pleased to appoint to be attended by this House upon *Monday* next, at Four a Clock in the Afternoon, at *Kensington*.

King appoints to be attended.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning next, Eight a Clock.

*Lunæ, 4° die Decembris;*

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

**T**HE Lord *Cornbury*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for erecting and establishing a Court

Westminster Small Debts. Court

Court of Conscience in the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Noble's Estate.

A Bill to enable *Thomas Noble* Gentleman, to sell the undivided Third-part of the Manor of *Forston*, in the County of *Leicester*; and for settling other Lands, an entire Estate, of a greater Value, to the same Uses; was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Mountstevens*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *Wm. Villers*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Crane*, Mr. *Philips*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Osborne*, Sir *Cha. Carteret*, Sir *Edw. Stradling*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Bertie*, Lord *Cornbury*, Sir *John Bolles*, Sir *Willoughby Hickman*, Mr. *Probert*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *England*; and all that serve for the County of *Leicester*;

And they are to meet To-morrow in the Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the further Preservation of the Game: And that Sir *John Walter*, Mr. *Scobell*, and Mr. *Harcourt*, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill: And that they have Power to consider the former Laws relating to the Game; and of repealing the same, or reducing the same into One Law.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account, shewing the Overplus, which remains undisposed, of the Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage granted for Five Years, commencing on the 26th Day of December 1694, and to end on the 25th of December 1699, inclusive.

And the Title thereof was read.  
The Account is as followeth; viz.

2d December 1699.

The Sums, which have arisen at the Exchequer, of the said Subsidy, either in Money, or by Tallies, from the said Commencement thereof, until this 2d Day of December 1699, have amounted in the Whole to -

Whereof there have been issued, towards Repayment of 1,250,000*l.* borrowed upon Credit of a Clause in the Act for the Land Tax, passed *Anno 6<sup>o</sup> Willielmi 3<sup>ii</sup>*, for appropriating 300,000*l.* per Annum out of the said Subsidy, several Sums, amounting to 1,241,500*l.*; and there is reserved for a Loan not yet called for 300*l.*; in both for Principal -

*Memorandum*. The remaining 8,200*l.* being the Complement to 1,250,000*l.* was supplied, with Interest, out of Funds appointed by Parliament for making good Deficiencies.

Paid for Interest at the respective Rates of 5, 6, 7, and 8 per Cent. for the said Principal Money, the Sum of 212,216*l.* 4*s.* 7½*d.*; and reserved to pay Interest of the said Loan, not yet called for, 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; in both -

Applied to the Register for 4ths Customs, the Surplus of the said Subsidy for the First Year, amounting to -

There was lost in re-coining 292,759*l.* 12*s.* Part of the Produce of the said Subsidy -

And allowed to *John Knight*, late Receiver General, by a Tally for so much which he formerly paid, out of the Surplus of the said Subsidy, for the Customs of the King's Wines, &c. -

So the Difference, or Gross Surplus, which remained, after all the Payments beforementioned, did amount to -

Out of which issued to the Trustees for Exchequer Bills, for paying of Premiums, pursuant to a Clause in the Act for the Land Tax, passed *Anno 10 Willielmi 3<sup>ii</sup>*, by Tallies of Assignment -

To them, in Part of a Sum not exceeding 10,000*l.* for Charges relating to the said Bills -

To the Commissioners for enquiring into forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, to defray the Expences of their Commission, by Tally of Anticipation, 3,000*l.* and for discounting the said Tally 133*l.* 15*s.*; in both -

To the Bank of *England*, for the Deficiency of its Fund of 100,000*l.* per Annum, computed to the First of June 1698; pursuant to a Clause in the Act for establishing the said Bank -

To the same, for the Deficiency to the First of June 1699 -

Issued, or reserved, to Proprietors of the Annuities lately charged on the 3<sup>th</sup> Tonage Duties, and now upon 4<sup>th</sup> additional Excise; pursuant to a Clause in the Act for the said Annuities; for the Deficiency of their Fund, to the 1st of June 1699 -

Lost by the Fall of Guineas, at 6*d.* a piece -

So that the Surplus remaining undisposed in the Exchequer at this Day, doth amount to -

£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
-	-	-	1,778,742	4	10½
1,241,800	-	-			
212,220	17	11½	1,597,101	4	9½
8,254	16	1			
134,629	8	2½			
196	2	6			
-	-	-	181,641	-	1½
40,000	-	-			
8,315	9	4			
3,133	15	-			
31,771	19	8	105,257	14	9
1,623	18	11½			
20,171	16	-½			
240	15	9			
-	-	-	76,383	5	4½

Besides the Money which is expected to arise from the said Branch, determining at *Christmas* next.

*William Lowndes*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Account be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Kidd's Commission and Piracies.

Mr. *Lowndes* also, according to Order, presented to the House the several Papers following; viz.

A Copy of the Commission from the Commissioners of the Admiralty to Captain *Kidd*.

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A Copy of the Commission to him under the Great Seal.

A Copy of the Warrant for affixing the Great Seal to Captain *Kidd*'s Commission.

A Copy of the King's Warrant for a Grant of Pirates Goods to the Earl of *Bellamont*, and others.

A Copy of the Grant of Pirates Goods, &c. to the Earl of *Bellamont* and others.

A Copy of the Indenture between his Majesty, of the

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Kidd's Commission, &c. one Part, and the Earl of *Bellamont* and others, of the other Part.

A Copy of the Letter from the Lords of the Treasury to the Earl of *Bellamont*, about sending over the Treasure seized in Captain *Kidd's* Ship.

And the same were delivered in at the Table, and there read; and are as follow; viz.

The Copy of the Commission from the Admiralty.

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England, Ireland, &c.*

WHEREAS by Commission under the Great Seal of *England*, bearing Date the 26th Day of June 1689. We, or any Three or more of us, are required and authorized to grant Commissions, unto such Persons as we deem fitly qualified in that behalf for the apprehending, seizing, and taking such Ships, Vessels, and Goods, belonging to the *French* King, and his Subjects, and Inhabitants within the Dominions of the said *French* King; and such other Ships, Vessels, and Goods, as are or shall be liable to Confiscation; with other Powers in the said Commission expressed: These are therefore to will and require you forthwith to cause a Commission, or Letter of Marque or Reprizal, to be issued out of the High Court of Admiralty of *England*, unto Captain *William Kidd*, Commander of the *Adventure Gally*, Burden 287 Tons, 34 Guns, and 70 Men, to set forth in warlike Manner the said Ship called the *Adventure Gally*, whereof the said Captain *William Kidd* is Commander, and to apprehend, seize, and take, the Ships, Vessels, and Goods, belonging to the *French* King, or his Subjects, or Inhabitants within the Dominions of the said *French* King; and such other Ships, Vessels, and Goods, as are, or shall be, liable to Confiscation; according to the said Commission granted unto us for that Purpose, and certain Articles and Instructions under her late Majesty's Signet and Sign Manual, dated the 2d of May 1693, a Copy whereof remains with you; and according to the Course of the Court of Admiralty, and Laws of Nations: And you are therein to insert a Clause, injoining the said Captain *Wm. Kidd* to keep an exact Journal of his Proceedings; and therein particularly to take notice of all Prizes, which shall be taken by him, the Nature of such Prizes, the Time and Place of their being taken, and the Value of them, as near as he can judge; as also the Station, Motion, and Strength of the Enemy, as well as he can discover by the best Intelligence he can get: Of which he is, from time to time, as he shall have an Opportunity, to transmit an Account for us to our Secretary, and to keep a Correspondence with him by all Opportunities, that shall present: Provided always, That, before you issue such Commission, Security be given thereupon, according as is directed in her late Majesty's Instructions afore-mentioned; as also, That a Recognizance, or sufficient . . . . . not exceeding 500*l.* be entered into, obliging him not to carry in the said Ship more than One half of her Complement of Seamen; but that all the rest of her Company be Landmen; and that he do, at the End of the Voyage, give in to the Secretary of the Admiralty a perfect List, in Columns, of his Ship's Company, expressing their Names, Qualities, Ages, Places of Abode, and whether married or single Men; and also, That he do give Security strictly to conform himself to the Regulations contained in their Majesties Proclamation of the 12th of July 1694, concerning Colours to be worn on board Ships. This Commission to continue in Force till further Order; for which this shall be your Warrant. Given under our Hands and the Seal of the Office of Admiralty, this Tenth Day of December, 1695.

*J. Lowther.*

*H. Preistman.*

*R. Rich.*

To Sir *Charles Hedges* Knight, Judge of the High Court of Admiralty of *England*.

By Command of the Commissioners,

*Wm. Bridgman.*

A true Copy. *J. Burchett.*

The said Copy of the Commission under the Great Seal.

*WILLIAM R.*

*William* the Third, by the Grace of God, King of *England, Scotland, France, and Ireland*, Defender of the Faith, To our Trusty and well-beloved Captain *William Kidd*, Commander of the Ship *Adventure Gally*, or to the Commander of the said Ship for the Time being; Greeting. Whereas we are informed, That Captain *Thomas Too*, *John Ireland*, Captain *Thomas Wake*, Captain *William Maze* or *Mace*, and other our Subjects, Natives or Inhabitants of *New England, New York*, and elsewhere, in our Plantations in *America*, have associated themselves with divers other wicked and ill-disposed Persons; and do, against the Laws of Nations, daily commit many great Piracies, Robberies, and Depredations, upon the Seas in the Parts of *America*, and in other Parts, to the great Hindrance and Discouragement of Trade and Navigation, and to the Danger and Hurt of our loving Subjects, our Allies, and all others, navigating the Seas, upon their lawful Occasions: Now know ye, That we, being desirous to prevent the aforesaid Mischiefs, and, as far as in us lies, to bring the said Pirates, Free-booters, and Sea Rovers, to Justice, have thought fit, and do hereby give and grant unto you, the said Captain *William Kidd*, to whom our Commissioners for executing the Office of our Lord High Admiral have granted a Commission, as a private Man of War, bearing Date the Eleventh Day of December 1695; and unto the Officers, Mariners, and others, which shall be under your Command; full Power and Authority to apprehend, seize, and take into your Custody, as well the said Captain *Tho. Too*, *John Ireland*, Captain *Thomas Wake*, *William Maze* alias *Mace*, as such Pirates, Free-booters, and Sea Rovers, being either own Subjects, or of other Nations associated with them, which you shall meet with upon the said Coasts or Seas of *America*, or in any other Seas or Parts, with their Ships and Vessels; and also such Merchandizes, Money, Goods, and Wares, as shall be found on board, or with them; in case they shall willingly yield themselves; but if they will not submit without fighting, then you are by Force to compel them to yield: And we do also require you to bring, or cause to be brought, such Pirates, Free-booters, and Sea Rovers, as you shall seize, to a legal Tryal, to the end they may be proceeded against according to the Law in such Cases: And we do hereby charge and command all our Officers, Ministers, and other our loving Subjects whatsoever, to be aiding and assisting to you in the Premises: And we do hereby injoin you to keep an exact Journal of your Proceedings in the Execution of the Premises; and therein to set down the Names of such Pirates, and of their Officers and Company, and the Names of such Ships and Vessels, as you shall, by virtue of these Presents, seize and take; and the Quantities of Arms, Ammunition, Provision, and Loading of such Ships, and the true Value of the same, as near as you can judge: And we do hereby jointly charge and command you, as you will answer the same at your utmost Peril, That you do not, in any manner, offend or molest any of our Friends or Allies, their Ships or Subjects, by Colour or Pretence of these Presents, or the Authority hereby granted. In Witness whereof, we have caused our Great Seal of *England* to be affixed to these Presents. Given at our Court at *Kensington*, the 26th Day of January 1695, in the Seventh Year of our Reign.

This is a true Copy.

*R. Yard.*

The said Copy of the Warrant for affixing the Great Seal to Captain *Kidd's* Commission; viz.

*WILLIAM R.*

Our Will and Pleasure is, That you forthwith cause our Great Seal of *England* to be affixed to a certain Instrument bearing Date with these Presents, empowering our trusty and well-beloved Captain *William Kidd*, Commander of the Ship *Adventure Gally*, or the Commander of the same for the Time being, to seize and take Captain *Thomas Too*, *John Ireland*, Captain *Thomas Wake*, Cap-  
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tain *William Mace*, or *Mace*; and all such other Pirates, Free-booters, and Sea Rovers, as he shall meet with, upon the Coasts or Seas of *America*, or in any other Parts; to the end the same may be proceeded against, according to the Law in such Cases: And for so doing, this shall be your Warrant. Given at our Court at *Kensington*, the 26th Day of January 1694. in the Seventh Year of our Reign.

By his Majesty's Command,  
*Shrewsbury.*

To our Trusty and Well-belov'd  
Counsellor, Sir *John Sommers*,  
Knight, Keeper of our Great  
Seal of *England*.

This is a true Copy,  
*R. Yard.*

The said Copy of the King's Warrant; viz.  
*WILLIAM R.*

WHEREAS, upon divers Complaints and Informations to Us made, That *Thomas Tob*, *John Ireland*, *Thomas Wake*, *William Mace*, alias *Maze*, and divers other our Subjects, Natives or Inhabitants of *New England*, *New York*, and elsewhere in our Plantations in *America*, had associated themselves with divers others, wicked and ill-disposed Persons, in order to commit, and did frequently commit, many and great Piracies, Robberies, and Depredations, upon the Seas, in the Parts of *America*, and in other Parts and Places; in Violation of the Laws of Nations; to the Obstruction and Discouragement of Trade and Navigation; and to the Loss and Prejudice of our Subjects, and the Subjects of our Friends and Allies; and also to the Dishonouring of our Royal Authority, in case any of our Subjects, guilty of such great and detestable Enormities, should go unpunished; We did, by our Commission under our Great Seal of *England*, bearing Date the Six-and-twentieth Day of January, in the Seventh Year of our Reign, in order to bring the said Pirates, Free-booters, and Sea Rovers, and their Accomplices, to Justice, give and grant full Power and Authority to Captain *William Kidd*, Commander of the Ship *Adventure Gally*, and to the Commander of the said Ship for the Time being, to apprehend, seize, and take into Custody, the said *Thomas Tob*, *John Ireland*, *Thos. Wake*, and *Wm. Mace*, and all other Pirates, Free-booters, and Sea Rovers, of what Nation soever, whom he should find, or meet with, upon the said Coasts or Seas of *America*, or in any other Seas or Parts, with their Ships and Vessels, and all such Merchandize, Money, Goods, and Wares, as should be found on board them; and, in case of Resistance, to fight with, and compel the said Pirates, Free-booters, and Sea Rovers, to yield; and them to bring, or cause to be brought, to a legal Tryal, to the end they might forthwith suffer condign Punishment, according to their Demerits: And we did also, by the same Commission, require the said Captain *William Kidd* to keep an exact Journal of his Proceedings, in relation to the Execution of our Royal Pleasure in the said Premises; and therein to set down the Names of such Pirates, and of their Ships and Vessels, as he should, as aforesaid, seize or take; and also to specify the Quantities and Particulars of the Arms, Ammunition, Provision, and Loading, of such Ships, and the true Values thereof: And whereas the said Ship *Adventure Gally*, was, with our Knowledge, and Royal Encouragement, bought, and fitted out to Sea for the Purposes aforesaid, at the great and sole Charges of our right trusty and right well-beloved Cousin *Richard Earl of Bellamont*, and our trusty and well-beloved *Edmund Harrison* Merchant, *Samuel Newton* Gentleman, *William Rowley* Gentleman, *George Watson* Gentleman, and *Thomas Renolls* of *St. Martin's*: Now, out of a due Regard to the Premises, and being graciously inclined that so chargeable an Undertaking, tending to such good and laudable Ends, should have meet and proper Encouragement and Reward, our Will and Pleasure is, That you prepare a Bill for our Royal Signature, to pass under our Great Seal, containing our Grant, for Us, our Heirs, and Successors, unto the said *Richard Earl of Bellamont*,

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*Edmund Harrison*, *Samuel Newton*, *William Rowley*, *George Watson*, and *Tho. Renolls*, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, of all and whatever Ships, Vessels, Goods, Merchandizes, Treasure, and other Things whatsoever, which shall be taken or seized upon or with the said Pirates, Free-booters, and Sea Rovers, by the said Captain *William Kidd*, or other Commander of the said *Adventure Gally*, or which by, or by means of, the said Ship or Gally, shall be taken, or forced ashore, in any of our Plantations in *America*, or other our Dominions; as far as the said Premises, or any of them, do, shall, or may belong to us, or may be granted or grantable by us; To have and to hold the said Premises, or such and so many of them as are, or may be, in any manner, grantable by us, unto the said Earl of *Bellamont*, *Edmund Harrison*, *Samuel Newton*, *Wm. Rowley*, *George Watson*, and *Thomas Renolls*, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, to their own sole Use and Benefit, without any Account to be therefore rendered to Us, our Heirs and Successors; charging and commanding our Commissioners of our Treasury, and all other our Officers of our Revenue, our Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, and all other our Admirals, Vice Admirals, Governors of all and every our Colonies, Islands, and Plantations, in *America*, Magistrates, Officers Military and Civil, and other our loving Subjects whatsoever, That they be aiding and assisting in all and every Matters and Things, as to them respectively shall appertain, as well to the said Captain *Wm. Kidd*, in the seizing, apprehending, taking, and securing, the said Pirates, and their Ships and Vessels; and other the Premises, and in bringing the said Offenders to Justice; as also unto the said Captain *Wm. Kidd*, and all others whom it may concern, in the seizing, securing, and delivering, to them the said Earl of *Bellamont*, *Edmund Harrison*, *Samuel Newton*, *Wm. Rowley*, *George Watson*, and *Tho. Renolls*, their Assigns, Agents, and Servants, all and every of the said Ships, Vessels, Goods, Merchandizes, and Treasure, and other Things, according to the true Intent of our said Grant; and in such manner, as may most effectually contribute to the putting in Execution our gracious Intentions in the Premises, for and on the behalf of the said Earl of *Bellamont*, *Edmund Harrison*, *Samuel Newton*, *William Rowley*, *George Watson*, and *Thomas Renolls*: And you are further to insert in the said Bill, all such apt and beneficial Clauses, and *Non Obstante's*, as you shall judge proper and requisite to render our said Grant unto them most effectual: And, for so doing, this shall be your Warrant. Given at our Court at *Kensington*, the 30th Day of April, in the Eighth Year of our Reign.

By his Majesty's Command,

To our Attorney General, or  
our Solicitor General.  
*Ste. Fox,*  
*J. Smith,*  
*Tho. Littleton,*  
2<sup>d</sup> Decem. 1699. This is a true Copy  
of the original Warrant, and examined therewith by  
*Chris. Tilson,*  
*Fran. Sambrooke.*

The said Copy of the Grant of Pirates Goods; viz.  
*WILLIAM* the Third, by the Grace of God, King of *England*, *Scotland*, *France*, and *Ireland*, Defender of the Faith, &c. To our Right-trusty and Well-beloved Counsellor, Sir *John Somers* Knight, our Keeper of our Great Seal of *England*, Greeting.

We Will and Command you, That, under our said Great Seal of *England*, in your Custody being, you cause these our Letters to be made forth Patents, in Form following:

*WILLIAM* the Third, by the Grace of God, &c. To all to whom these Presents shall come, or may, in any wise concern, Greeting. Whereas, upon divers Complaints and Informations to Us made, That *Thomas Tob*, *John Ireland*, *Thomas Wake*, *William Mace*, alias *Maze*, and divers other our Subjects, Natives

Kidd's Commission, &amp;c.

Natives or Inhabitants of *New England, New York*, and elsewhere in our Plantations in *America*, had associated themselves with divers other wicked and ill-disposed Persons, in order to commit, and did frequently commit, many great Piracies, Robberies, and Depredations, upon the Seas in the Parts of *America*, and in other Parts and Places; in Violation of the Laws of Nations; to the Obstruction and Discouragement of Trade and Navigation; and to the Loss and Prejudice of our Subjects, and the Subjects of our Friends and Allies; and also to the Dishonouring of our Royal Authority, in case any of our Subjects, guilty of such great and detestable Enormities, should go unpunished; We did, by our Commission under our Great Seal of *England*, bearing Date the 26th Day of January, in the Seventh Year of our Reign, in order to bring the said Pirates, Freebooters, and Sea Rovers, and their Accomplices, to Justice, give and grant full Power and Authority to Captain *William Kidd*, Commander of the Ship *Adventure Gally*, and to the Commander of the said Ship for the Time being, to apprehend, seize, and take into Custody, the said *Thomas Too*, *John Ireland*, *Tho. Wake*, and *William Maze*, and all other Pirates, Freebooters, and Sea Rovers, of what Nation soever, whom he should find, or meet with, upon the said Coasts or Seas of *America*, or in any other Seas or Parts, with their Ships and Vessels, and all such Merchandize, Money, Goods, and Wares, as should be found on board them; and, in case of Resistance, to fight with, and compel the said Pirates, Freebooters, and Sea Rovers, to yield; and them to bring, or cause to be brought, to a legal Tryal, to the end they might forthwith suffer condign Punishment, according to their Demerits: And We did also, by the same Commission, require the said Captain *William Kidd* to keep an exact Journal of his Proceedings, in relation to the Execution of our Royal Pleasure in the said Premises; and therein to set down the Names of such Pirates, and of their Ships and Vessels, as he should, as aforesaid, seize or take; and also to specify the Quantities and Particulars of the Arms, Ammunition, Provision, and Loading, of such Ships, and the true Values thereof: And whereas the said Ship *Adventure Gally* was, with our Knowledge, and Royal Encouragement, fitted out to Sea, for the Purposes aforesaid, at the great and sole Charges of our right trusty and right well-beloved Cousin *Richard Earl of Bellamont* in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, and our trusty and well-beloved *Edmund Harrison* Merchant, *Samuel Newton* Gentleman, *William Rowley* Gentleman, *George Watson* Gentleman, and *Thomas Renolls*, of *St. Martin's*: Now know ye, that We, out of due Regard to the Premises, and being graciously inclined that so chargeable an Undertaking, tending to such good and laudable Ends, should have meet and proper Encouragement and Reward; of our special Grace, certain Knowledge, and mere Motion, have given and granted, and by these Presents do give and grant, unto the said *Richard Earl of Bellamont*, *Edmund Harrison*, *Samuel Newton*, *William Rowley*, *George Watson*, and *Thomas Renolls*, their Heirs, Executors, and Assigns, all and whatsoever Ships, Vessels, Goods, Merchandizes, and Treasure, and other things whatsoever, which, since the Thirtieth Day of April, *Anno Domini* 1696, have been taken or seized upon or with, or did belong to, or which shall be taken or seized upon or with, or which do or shall belong to the said *Thomas Too*, *John Ireland*, *Thomas Wake*, *Wm. Maze*, or their Adherents, or any other Pirates, Freebooters, and Sea Rovers, by the said Captain *William Kidd*, or other Commander of the said *Adventure Gally*, or which by, or by means of the said Ship or Gally, shall be taken, or forced ashore, in any of our Plantations in *America*, or other our Dominions; as far as the said Premises, or any of them, do, shall, or may belong to Us, or can or may be granted or grantable by Us, or is or are in our Power to dispose of, in Right of our Crown of *England*, or as Perquisites of our Admiralty, or otherwise howsoever, and all our Right, Title, Interest, Claim, and Demand whatsoever, of, in, or unto the same, and

every part thereof; To have, hold, take, receive, and enjoy, the said Ships, Vessels, Goods, Merchandizes, Treasure, and all and singular other the Premises herein before-mentioned, and intended to be hereby granted, and every of them, and every Part and Parcel thereof, or such and so many of them as are, can or may be, in any manner granted or grantable by Us, unto the said *Richard Earl of Bellamont*, *Edmund Harrison*, *Sam. Newton*, *Wm. Rowley*, *George Watson*, and *Thomas Renolls*, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, to their own sole Use and Benefit, and as their own proper Goods and Chattels, without any Account thereof and therefore to be made or rendered to Us, our Heirs and Successors: And We do hereby for Us, our Heirs and Successors, charge and command the Commissioners of our Treasury now being, and the High Treasurer, or Commissioners of our Treasury for the Time being, and all other our Officers of our Revenue, our Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, now, and for the Time being, and all other our Admirals, Vice Admirals, Judge and Judges of our Court and Courts of Admiralty, Governors of all and every our Colonies, Islands, and Plantations, in *America*, Magistrates, Officers Military and Civil, and all other our loving Subjects whatsoever, That they be aiding and assisting in all and every Matters and Things, as to them respectively shall appertain, as well to the said Captain *Wm. Kidd*, in the seizing, apprehending, taking, and securing, the said Pirates, and their Ships and Vessels, and other the Premises herein before-mentioned, and intended to be hereby granted, every or any of them, and in bringing the said Offenders to Justice; as also unto the said Captain *Wm. Kidd*, and all others whom it may concern, in the seizing, securing, and delivering to them, the said *Richard Earl of Bellamont*, *Edmund Harrison*, *Samuel Newton*, *Wm. Rowley*, *Geo. Watson*, and *Tho. Renolls*, their Assigns, Agents, and Servants, all and every the said Ships, Vessels, Goods, Merchandizes, Treasure, and other Things herein before-mentioned, and intended to be hereby granted, according to the true Intent and Meaning hereof; and in such manner, as may most effectually contribute to the putting in Execution our gracious Intentions in and about the Premises, for and on the behalf of the said *Richard Earl of Bellamont*, *Edmund Harrison*, *William Newton*, *William Rowley*, *Geo. Watson*, and *Thomas Renolls*: And lastly, We do hereby declare and grant, That these our Letters Patents, or the Enrollment thereof, shall be, in and by all Things, firm, good, valid, sufficient, and effectual in the Law, notwithstanding the not naming, or not rightly naming, the Premises, or any Part thereof, or the true Value, or the Nature or Kind thereof; and notwithstanding the not mentioning, or not rightly mentioning, the Names of the said Pirates, Freebooters, and Sea Rovers, or any of them, or of the Possessors of the said Ships, Vessels, Merchandizes, Goods, Treasure, and Premises, or any Part or Parcel thereof; and notwithstanding the ill naming or not naming, of any Seas, Havens, Countries, or Places, wherein, or in which, the Premises hereby granted, or any Part or Parcel thereof, is or are, shall or may be found; and notwithstanding any Mis-recital, Non-recital, Incertainty, Defect, or Imperfection whatsoever. In Witness, &c.

Witness, &c. Given under our Privy Seal, at our Palace of *Westminster*, the 30th Day of April, in the Ninth Year of our Reign.

*Tho. Watkins.*

Recepi vicesimo septimo Die Maii, 1697.

*J. Somers, C.*

The said Copy of the said Indenture; viz.

This Indenture, made the 22d Day of May, in the Ninth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord *William* the 3d, by the Grace of God, of *England*, *Scotland*, *France*, and *Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. and in the Year of our Lord Christ 1697, between our said Sovereign Lord the King's Majesty, of the one Part; and the Right Honourable *Richard Earl of Bellamont* in the Kingdom

Kingdom of Ireland, Edmund Harrison Merchant, Samuel Newton Gentleman, William Rowley Gentleman, George Watson Gentleman, and Thomas Renolls, of St. Martin's in the Fields, in the County of Middlesex, Gentleman, of the other Part: Whereas the said King's Most Excellent Majesty, by Warrant under his Royal Sign Manual, bearing Date at Kensington, the 30th Day of April, in the Eighth Year of his Reign, directed to his said Majesty's Attorney or Solicitor General, hath been graciously pleased to signify his Will and Pleasure, That a Bill should be prepared for his Royal Signature, to pass under his Great Seal, containing his said Majesty's Grant unto the said Earl of Bellomont, Edm. Harrison, Sam. Newton, William Rowley, George Watson, and Thomas Renolls, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, of all and whatsoever Ships, Vessels, Goods, Merchandizes, Treasure, and other Things whatsoever, which shall be taken or seized upon or with certain Pirates, Free-booters, and Sea Rovers, therein mentioned, and their Adherents, or any other Pirates, Free-booters, and Sea Rovers, by Captain William Kidd, or other Commander of the Ship *Adventure Gally*, or which by, or by means of, the said Ship or Gally, shall be taken, or forced ashore, in any of his said Majesty's Plantations in America, or other his Majesty's Dominions; as far as the said Premises, or any of them, do, shall, or may belong to, or may be granted or grantable by his said Majesty; To have and to hold the said Premises, or such, and so many of them as are, or may be, in any manner, grantable by the said King's Majesty, unto the said Earl of Bellomont, Edm. Harrison, Samuel Newton, William Rowley, George Watson, and Thomas Renolls, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, to their own sole Use and Benefit, without any Account to be therefore rendered to his said Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, as by the said Warrant, amongst other Things therein contained, may more at large appear: And whereas a Bill hath been prepared by his Majesty's Solicitor General, in pursuance of the said Warrant, and is also signed by his said Majesty, in order to be passed and perfected under the Great Seal of England: And it being intended, That a Tenth Part, the Whole in Ten equal Parts to be divided, of all such Ships, Vessels, Goods, Merchandizes, Treasure, and other Things whatsoever, which shall be taken, seized, apprehended, or secured, by the said Richard Earl of Bellomont, Edm. Harrison, Sam. Newton, Wm. Rowley, George Watson, and Thomas Renolls, their Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, by force or virtue of his Majesty's said intended Grant, shall be reserved or secured to his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors: This Indenture therefore Witnesseth, and the said Richard Earl of Bellomont, Edm. Harrison, Samuel Newton, William Rowley, George Watson, and Tho. Renolls, do hereby, for themselves, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and every of them, covenant, promise, and agree, to and with the King's Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, That they the said Richard Earl of Bellomont, Edm. Harrison, Samuel Newton, William Rowley, George Watson, and Thomas Renolls, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, or some of them, shall and will, from time to time, well and truly account for, and deliver, upon Oath, to the Use of his said Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, or the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or the High Treasurer, or Commissioners of the Treasury of his Majesty, his Heirs or Successors, for the Time being, shall, from time to time, direct or appoint for that Purpose, one full and clear Tenth Part, the Whole in Ten equal Parts to be divided, of all and every such Ships, Vessels, Goods, Merchandizes, Treasure, and other Things whatsoever, which, in and by the said Letters Patents, or Grant, are or shall be given or granted unto, and which shall from time to time be taken, apprehended, seized, or secured by, the said Richard Earl of Bellomont, Edm. Harrison, Samuel Newton, William Rowley, George Watson, and Tho. Renolls, or any of them, their or any of their Executors, Administrators, Officers, Agents, Servants, or Assigns, by virtue or colour thereof; all Hazards and Dangers of the Seas, Restraints of Princes and Rulers,

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Enemies, Pirates, and accidental Fire, excepted. In Witness whereof the said Richard Earl of Bellomont, Edm. Harrison, Samuel Newton, William Rowley, Geo. Watson, and Thomas Renolls, have hereunto set their Hands and Seals, the Day and Year first above-written.

Bellomont, Edm. Harrison,  
O O  
Samuel Newton, Wm. Rowley,  
O O  
George Watson, Tho. Reynold.  
O O

Sealed and delivered by the within named Richard Earl of Bellomont, Edm. Harrison, Sam. Newton, George Watson, and William Rowley, in the Presence of

Chris. Tilson,  
R. Powys,  
Fran. Sambrooke.

Recognit, per præfat. Edmund Harrison, 25<sup>o</sup> die Maii, 1697. coram me Cancellar. Magistro,

John Hoskyns.

Sealed and delivered by the within named Thomas Renolls, in the Presence of

Anth. Meek,  
Thomas Lowndes,  
R. Powys.

In Dors. Clariss. Cancellar. infra sci Domini Regis vicesimo die Maii, Ann. infra sc.

Per William Fall.

Rev.

Comes Bellomont, & al.

A true Copy ex<sup>a</sup> per R. Powys.

The said Copy of the Letter from the Lords of the Treasury; viz.

Our very good Lord,

Understanding that One of his Majesty's Men of War is sent, by Order from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty here, to bring over Captain Kidd, whom your Lordship hath secured for Piracies in Prison there; we have no Reason to doubt, but that your Lordship's Methods about securing all Treasure and Effects, which are taken and seized as belonging to the said Captain Kidd, or any his Accomplices, or other Pirates, that shall be sent over in the said Ship, from being purloined or embezzled, and sending of the same safe hither, will be effectual: However, we think it our Duty, in respect to his Majesty's Service, to desire, That your Lordship will please to appoint some fit and proper Person to come over with the said Treasure and Effects; and to have particular Care of the same, when on board the said Ship; and that there be several Inventories or Schedules made thereof; One of which we desire your Lordship will please to transmit to us by the first Conveyance that shall offer; and to give another to the Person whom your Lordship shall so think fit to intrust; and a Third to the Captain of the said Man of War; to whom also we desire your Lordship will please to give your Instructions, in case the Person to be appointed by your Lordship shall, in his Passage hither, happen to die. And so we bid you very heartily farewell; and remain,

Our very good Lord,

Your Lordship's humble Servants,

Cha. Mountague,  
J. Smith,  
H. Boyle.

Treasury Chamber, the  
7th of Sept. 1699.

A true Copy, as entered in the Treasury Books

Ex<sup>a</sup> per R. Powys.

Mr. Secretary Vernon presented to the House a Copy of a Letter to the Earl of Bellomont, about Seizing of Captain Kidd; and of several other Letters relating to that Matter; and of several Letters and Papers received from the Earl of Bellomont; and of a Petition of the old East India Company, presented and read the 21st of September 1699: And the same were delivered in at the Table:

And the Titles thereof read:

And the same are as follow; viz.

The

Kidd's Commission, &c.

Kidd's Piracies.

Kidd's  
Piracies.

The said Copy of a Letter about seizing Captain  
*Kidd*.

My Lord, *Whitehall*, 23 Nov. 1698.  
The Lords Justices being informed, by several Advices from the *East Indies*, of the notorious Piracies committed by Captain *Kidd*, Commander of the *Adventure Gally*; and of his having seized and plundered divers Ships in those Seas; As their Excellencies have given Orders to the Commander of the Squadron fitted out for the *East Indies*, That he use his utmost Endeavours to pursue and seize the said *Kidd*, if he continue still in those Parts; so likewise, they have commanded me to signify their Directions to the respective Governors of the Colonies under his Majesty's Obedience in *America*, That they give strict Orders, and take particular care, for apprehending the said *Kidd*, and his Accomplices, whenever he or they shall arrive in any of the said Plantations; as likewise, That they secure his Ship, and all the Effects therein: It being their Excellencies Intention, that Right be done to those who have been injured and robbed by the said *Kidd*; and that he, and his Associates, be prosecuted with the utmost Rigour of the Law: You are to be careful, therefore, duly to observe the said Directions; and, if the said *Kidd*, or any of his Accomplices, happen to be seized within the Provinces under your Government, you are forthwith to transmit an Account thereof hither; and take care, that the said Persons, Ship, and Effects be secured, till his Majesty's Pleasure be known concerning them. I am, my Lord,

Your Lordship's most  
faithful humble Servant,  
*Ja. Vernon.*

The like Letter, of the same Date, was writ to *Nathanael Blakiston* Esquire, Governor of *Maryland*; *Francis Nicholson* Esquire, Governor of *Virginea*; *Samuel Day* Esquire, Governor of *Bermuda*; Major *Wm. Burt*, President, and the rest of the Council, of *Nevis*; *Ralph Grey*, Esquire, Governor of *Barbados*; Sir *William Beeston*, Governor of *Jamaica*; the Governor and Company of *Rhode Island*; the Governor and Company of *Connecticut*; the Governor, or Deputy Governor, of *East and West New Jersey*; Governor, or Deputy Governor, of *Pensylvania*; the Governor, or Deputy Governor, of *Carolina*; the Governor, or Deputy Governor of the *Bahama Islands*: All put under Cover to Rear Admiral *Benbow*; with the following Letter;

Sir, *Whitehall*, 25 Novem. 1698.  
The inclosed, to the Governors of his Majesty's Plantations in *America*, being ordered by the Lords Justices, for the Seizing and Securing of Captain *Kidd*, Commander of the *Adventure Gally*, in case of his arrival in any of the said Colonies; to the end that he, and his Accomplices, may be prosecuted for the notorious Piracies they have committed in the *East Indies*; and believing you will find the best Opportunities of conveying the said Letters to the respective Governors; I recommend them to your Care: And remain, Sir

Your most faithful  
humble Servant,  
Rear Admiral *Benbow*. *Ja. Vernon.*

Gentlemen, *Whitehall*, 25 Nov. 1698.  
I desire the inclosed Packet may be sent to Rear Admiral *Benbow* by Express; and that an Account be returned of the Delivery thereof. I am, Gentlemen,  
Your most humble Servant,  
Post Master General. *Ja. Vernon.*

A Copy of another Letter to the Secretary of the old  
*East India Company*.

Sir, *Whitehall*, 21th Nov. 1698.  
I laid this Day before the Lords Justices your Letter of the 18th Instant, with the inclosed Advices from *India*, concerning the Piracies committed by Captain *Kidd*: Whereupon their Excellencies have ordered, That

Instructions be given to the Commander of the Squadron, now going to the *East Indies* for the Suppressing of the Pirates, That he use his utmost Endeavours to seize the said *Kidd*, and his Vessel, if he be still in those Seas; in order to the bringing of him, and his Accomplices, to condign Punishment: And their Excellencies have likewise directed, That Instructions be likewise sent to the Earl of *Bellomont*, for the securing the said *Kidd*, with his Ship and Associates, in case he return to *New York*, where the said *Kidd* hath his Family settled, and from whence he is said to have carried the greatest Part of his Ship's Crew; and the like Instructions will be sent to the rest of his Majesty's Colonies in *America*, that he may be apprehended, whenever he is found, and be proceeded against according to the utmost Rigour of the Law. Their Excellencies finding, by these Advices, how much Captain *Wright*, the Commander of the *Quedah Merchant*, hath misbehaved himself, in yielding up his Ship to the said *Kidd* without making any Resistance; and in sharing with him in his Piracies, by taking to his own Use some part of the plundered Goods that belonged to his Freighters; their Excellencies were of Opinion, That the said *Wright* ought to be apprehended, and made answerable for the same; and they will give Orders for it accordingly, unless the *East India Company* have any thing to object against it. If there be any thing more that the Company judges proper to be done, on this Occasion, for vindicating the Honour of the Nation against the Calumnies raised in *India*, and for Security of the Factories there, I desire you will let me know it, that it may be laid before their Excellencies, for their further Directions therein. I am, Sir,

Your most humble Servant,  
*Ja. Vernon.*

A Copy of an Article in the Instructions for the Commanders for Reducing of Pirates in the *East Indies*.

Whereas We have given Orders to the Commanders of our Ships, for the Suppressing of Pirates in the *East Indies*, to make it their particular Care to pursue and seize the *Adventure Gally*, commanded by Captain *William Kidd*, who, we are informed, has committed divers Piracies in the Seas of *India*; and, amongst others, has taken a Ship called the *Quedah Merchant*, bound from *Bengall* to *Suratt*, with Goods to a considerable Value, belonging to the Subjects of the *Mogull*, and others; Our Will and Pleasure is, in case they meet with and take the said *Adventure Gally*, or any of her Prizes, That you secure the said Ship or Ships, with all the Money and Goods found on board the same; and that you cause whatever belongs to any of the Subjects of the *Mogull*, or any other Merchants in *India*, to be restored to the right Owners; and that you keep an exact Account of the rest, according to our Pleasure already expressed in these our Instructions: And you are not to make any Promise of Pardon to the said Captain *William Kidd*, whom We have excepted in our Proclamation.

A Copy of a Letter from the Lords Justices to the Earl of *Bellomont*.

By the Lords Justices.  
*Tho. Cantuar.*  
*Lonsdale, C. P. S. Marlborough,*  
*J. Bridgwater, Jersey.*

WHEREAS, upon the Information we have received, That Captain *William Kidd*, and other Persons, who have committed divers Piracies, are seized, by your Order, in *New England*, together with their Treasure and Effects, We have thought fit to direct, That One of his Majesty's Ships be sent thither, on purpose to bring the said *William Kidd*, and the rest of the Pirates, in safe custody to *England*, together with their said Treasure and Effects; and that the Commander of his Majesty's said Ship do follow and observe such Orders as he shall receive from you, relating to the Performance of this Service. We judge it requisite to acquaint your Lordship therewith; and to direct and require you, upon the Arrival of the said Man of War, to cause the said *William Kidd*, and the rest of the



the Prisoners on Account of Piracies, to be safely delivered into the Custody of the Commander thereof; and the Treasure and other Effects that have been taken belonging to the said Pirates, to be put on board, under the Care of a fit Person, to be appointed by your Lordship in pursuance of what is signified to you by the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury. And we do not doubt but your Lordship will cause the said Man of War to be dispatched as soon as possible; and all the Evidence you have against the Prisoners to be, at the same time, transmitted hither, in order to their Prosecution.

At the Court of *Whitehall*, the 12th Day of September 1699, in the 11th Year of his Majesty's Reign.

By their Excellencies Command,  
R. Yard.

To their Excellencies the Lords Justices of *England*.

The humble Petition of the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London*, trading into the *East Indies*;

Sheweth,

That the Petitioners having received, from their General, President, and Council of *Bombay* and *Suratt*, fresh Advices by the *Chamber* Frigate, lately arrived in the River, of further Depredations made by the Pirates in the *Indian* Seas; and of the Design of their Commanders in sailing to *St. Marie's*, off the Island of *Madagascar*, and then for the *West India* Plantations, to be refitted, and to return back; The Copies of the Clauses of their Letters relating thereunto, the said Governor and Company do herewith humbly lay before your Excellencies; and do most humbly pray, your Excellencies would be pleased to give such further needful Orders to his Majesty's Governors of the *West India* Plantations, or any others, for seizing such of the said Pirates Ships as shall return thither, as to your Excellencies, in your great Wisdom, shall seem most meet, for preserving the Trade to *India*: And the Petitioners shall ever pray, &c.

Signed by Order of the said Governor and Company,

Ro. Blackborne, Secretary.

The Narrative of Captain *Thomas South*, Commander of the *Chamber* Frigate, who accompanied the *Mogull's Moca* Fleet from *Suratt* thither, and back again to *Suratt*.

My sailing Orders and Instructions, given unto me by the General and Council at *Bombay*, and President and Council at *Suratt*, were, to proceed along with the Fleet of Ships sailing from *Suratt* to *Moca*; and especially to take care, out and home, of the *Mogull's* own Ships, wherein were the principal Pilgrims.

Accordingly I sailed thither, leaving *Suratt* the 22d of March 1697-8. The 16th August following we departed *Moca* with 26 Ships in Company and a fair Wind, and got through the *Babs* the same Night: The next Day had contrary Winds and Calms, and so continued, for the most part, to the 6th of September. These unseasonable Calms, and contrary Winds, made Wood, Water, and all manner of Provisions, so scarce, that some Ships were forced to leave the Fleet, and stand for the *Arabian* Shore.

The 12th of September a new Ship, about 600 Tons, belonging wholly to the *Turks* of *Judda*, commanded by a *Turk* called *Nocqueda Husson Ammudon*, left us, and was taken by the Pirates the 24th ditto, as we afterwards heard, in Sight of the Highland of *St. John's*. He had 6 or 700 People on board, and 26 Horses: Want of Water, made them, as was supposed, desert us.

The 25th of September, in the Afternoon, I saw the Land off *St. John's*; and the 30 ditto got safe to an Anchor, with the *Mogull's* and other Ships in my Company, before *Suratt* River's Mouth; having punctually observed my Orders to the Satisfaction of every body.

*London*, 22 June, 1699.

Tho. South.

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Extract of *Suratt* General Letter to the *East India* Company, dated 5th December 1698. Signed by *Samuel Annesley* President, *Steph. Colt*, *Ephr. Bendlall*, and *John Robinson*.

*Kidd*, in the *Adventure Gally*, was not at the *Red Sea*, nor have we any News of him where he is; but presume is gone with the *Quedah Merchant* to *Madagascar*, or the *West Indies* to refit and victual, his Ship being very leaky and crazy.

In the beginning of October, Two Pirates of *Daman* took a *Portuguese* Ship belonging to that Place, and another of theirs soon after, bound for *Dieu*; which put us in no small Concern, lest some of the scattered Fleet from the *Red Sea* should fall into their Hands, as the *Gunsway* did in the Year 1695. By way of Prevention we proposed, by a Third Person, to the Governor, That he would send for the *French Directore*, on their Ships the *Princess of Savoy* and *Ponchatrain's* Arrival at *Bombay*, which was the First of September, to order their cruising abroad, to prevent so great an Evil; but to no Purpose. Next we complained of the Ships exposing themselves to Danger by leaving their Convoy. We were soon convinced our Apprehensions were reasonable, by the unfortunate Seizure of one of the best Ships that belongs to this Port, and the richest that came from *Judda*. Her Owner is Brother to the Sherreef of that Country: We hear Two Ships took her off the Bar of *Daman*. The Town, at News of this, was presently in great Disorder. It was reported the Villains turned adrift in the Ship's Boats, without Oars, Sail, or Provisions, 150 of the Pilgrims, whom the Tide carried to *Bazeen*. The Women Passengers, about Sixty, were kept aboard, and inhumanly abused; to avoid which Indignity Five stabbed themselves. The Treasure, Goods, and Horses, in the Ship, were computed to be worth 185,000 Rupees. Upon this, the Governor ordered none of our People should be permitted to pass any Gate of the Town; hauled up our Boats to the Custom-house; nor would let any Provisions go to our Ships, which were, through their tedious Passage, in want of all things; and sent his Officers to the Merchants, to bring their Vessels, that were abroad, within the River; and wholly put a Stop to all Proceedings of the Port. Upon this we concluded it necessary to stand upon Guard; and, to that End, and for securing our Countrymen abroad from any Outrage of the Rabble, we called them into the Factory, and sent the Governor word, we designed only to protect ourselves against the *Turks* and *Arabs*, that threatened our Lives, and not to oppose the Government; which he consented and advised us to; and we have been ever since, Night and Day, in the same Posture of Defence. When the *Turks*, &c. from *Bazeen*, came into the Town, some of the principal of them wrote to the Governor for his Permission to revenge themselves upon us: That they would break into the Factory, and rob and murder us, in case he would not do them Justice, as they called it. This he severely forbid them; and threatened, if they should attempt any such thing, he would send his Guards, and cut them off; privately informing us of their Intentions, and his Resolution to defend us.

On the First Council Day afterwards, his House was surrounded with a strong Body of Horse and Foot, to oppose any Tumult the Mob, that were gathering before it, might make; and admitted only to him Two or Three of their Company, telling them He would send up their Complaints to the King, and follow his Orders; and so dismissed them in great Discontent. They combined to draw up a Writing, to be signed by all *Mahometans*, That the *English* Infidels had robbed, killed, &c. the true Believers; and they would forbear all publick Worship in their Musseets, till the King would order them Satisfaction. But this the Governor, being a stern Man, soon quelled, one by one being afraid to displease him, who, they saw, apparently took our Parts.

At present they have, in Conjunction with the *Armenians* and others, plundered in the *Quedah Merchant*,

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sent up their Grievances to their Friends at Court; and, in Expectation of the King's Answer, are quiet.

The *Turk Husson Ammeden*, Owner of the Ship the Pirates took, designed for Court to complain against us, as soon as his other Ship that is at *Muscat* arrives to furnish him with Money. In case he cannot get his unreasonable Ends of us there, he threatens to take Satisfaction for his Losses by his Brother's Means, who is Chief of *Judda*, on the *Surrat* Merchants Goods, which he reckons to be 350,000 Rupees; and may be effected, to make us further Trouble.

We understand, That the Pirates that took the *Turks* and *Portuguese* Ships were at *Rajapore*, where they sunk the smallest of their Vessels, Three of the *Horses*, *Coffee*, *Opium*, and *Mudjeet*, into the Sea, and turned ashore some of the Men and Women they esteemed most unserviceable, who, most of them are gone to Court to add to the Noise and Complaints there; and some are returned hither. We hear not as yet how the *Portuguese* have disposed of the Ten Men they had at *Goa*. A *Frenchman* they put adrift, reports their Discourse was, they would go to the *West Indies*. This was the last Account we have of these horrid Wretches.

Extract of *Bombay General Letter* to the *East India Company*, dated 13th December 1698, signed by Sir *John Gayer*, *John Burniston*, *Enoch Walsh*, *William Aislable*, *Benjamin Stacey*.

We are informed, by the Master of the *Benjamin Yacht*, That the Ship's Name that took *Husson Ammeden* the *Turk's* Ship, lately off *St. John's*, was the *Soldado*, one *Dirick Chivers*, a *Dutchman*, Inhabitant of *New York*, being Commander of her, who formerly burnt the Ships at *Callicutt*, of which you have had an Account formerly; and this is the Ship that they lately sunk at *Rajapore*, being very leaky, whose Commander and Men are now all on board the *Turk's* Ship, which they call by the same Name: Another of the Three that was in Company was the *Mocha* Frigate, commanded by *Robert Collifood*, that run away with the *Josiah Ketch* from *Madras*: The Third they call the *Pellican*, which is an *English*-built Ship, but very leaky. They all Three sailed from *Onoar* the 10th of October; at which time they told Mr. *Harvey*, and the Master of the Yacht, That they were bound to the Island *St. Mary's* off *Madagascar*; that therefore none need fear any further Damage from them this Year, nor at all from the *Mocha's* and *Soldado's* People; for that they had got Money enough, and were all, but such as had lost their Money at Play, resolved to go to some Part of the *West Indies* in the *New Soldado*; but that the *Pellican's* Men, who had got no Purchase, but were very poor, they would sink their Ship, which was very leaky, when they came to *Saint Mary's*, where they should have the *Mocha* Frigate when them that belong to her were gone on board the *Soldado* in order to their proceeding to the *West Indies*, as aforesaid; with which Ship they, and such as had gamed away their Money, would return to this Coast next Year, to enrich themselves by the *Mocha* Fleet, as their Consorts had done; for that they came out for Money, and Money they would have before they returned; and so they bid them tell the General. Now, whether these Villains will thus act, or otherwise, we do not know.

The Earl of *Bellomont's* Letter to the Lords of the Council of Trade, about Captain *Kidd*.

My Lords, *Boston*, 8th July, 1699.

I have the Misfortune to be ill of the Gout, at a time when I have a great deal of Business to exercise both my Head, and my Hand.

It will not be unwelcome News to your Lordships to tell you, That I secured Captain *Kidd* last Thursday, in the Gaol of this Town: He had been hovering on the Coast towards *New York*, for more than a Fortnight; and sent to one Mr. *Emot*, to come from *New York* to him, at a Place called *Oyster-Bay*, in *Nassau* Island, not far from

*New York*: He brought *Emot* from thence to *Rhode Island*, and there landed him, sending him hither to me, with an Offer of coming into this Port, provided I would pardon him. I was a little puzzled how to manage a Treaty of that Kind with *Emot*, a cunning Jacobite, a fast Friend of *Fletcher's*, and my avowed Enemy. When he proposed my pardoning *Kidd*, I told him, It was true, the King had allowed me a Power to pardon Pirates; but that I was so tender of using it, because I would bring no Stain on my Reputation, that I had set myself a Rule, never to pardon Piracy without the King's express Leave and Command. *Emot* told me, He had left the great *Moorish* Ship he took in *India*, which Ship I have since found went by the Name of the *Quidah Merchant*, in a Creek on the Coast of *Hispaniola*, with Goods to the Value of 30,000 *l.*: That he had bought a Sloop, in which he was come before to make his Terms: That he had brought in the Sloop with him several Bales of *East India* Goods, Threescore Pound Weight of Gold in Dust and in Ingots, about a Hundred Weight of Silver, and several other things, which he believed would sell for about 10,000 *l.* *Emot* also told me, That *Kidd* was very innocent, and would make it appear that his Men forced him, locking him up in the Cabin of the *Adventure Gally*, while they robbed Two or Three Ships; and that he could prove this by many Witnesses. I answered *Emot*, That if *Kidd* could make that appear, he might safely come into this Port, and I would undertake to get him the King's Pardon. I writ a Letter to Captain *Kidd*, inviting him to come in; and that I would procure a Pardon for him, provided he were as innocent as Mr. *Emot* said he was; and I sent my Letter to him by one Mr. *Campbell*, of this Town, a *Scotchman* as well as *Kidd*, and his Acquaintance: Within Three or Four Days *Campbell* returned to me with a Letter from *Kidd*, full of Protestations of his Innocence, and informing me of his Design of coming into this Port. I must not forget to tell your Lordships, That *Campbell* brought Three or Four small Jewels to my Wife, which I was to know nothing of; but she came quickly, and discovered them to me; and asked, Whether she should keep them; which I advised her to do for the present: For I reflected, that my shewing an Over-nicety might do Hurt, before I had made a full Discovery what Goods and Treasure were in the Sloop. All this whole Matter, even to my writing my Letter to *Kidd*, was transacted with the Privy and Advice of the Council.

*Kidd* landed here this Day Sevensnight; and I would not so much as speak with him, but before Witnesses: I thought he looked very guilty; and, to make me believe so, he, and his Friend *Livingston*, who posted hither from *Albany*, upon News of Captain *Kidd's* Design of coming hither, and *Campbell* aforesaid, began to juggle together, and embezzle some of the Cargo: Besides, *Kidd* did strangely trifle with me and the Council, Three or Four times that we had him under Examination. Mr. *Livingston* also came to me in a peremptory Manner, and demanded up his Bond, and the Articles, which he sealed to me upon *Kidd's* Expedition; and told me, That *Kidd* swore all the Oaths in the World, That unless I did immediately indemnify Mr. *Livingston*, by giving up his Securities, he would never bring in that great Ship and Cargo, but that he would take care to satisfy Mr. *Livingston* himself out of that Cargo. I thought this was such an Impertinence both in *Kidd* and *Livingston*, that it was time for me to look about me and to secure *Kidd*. I had Notice, That he designed my Wife a Thousand Pound in Gold Dust and Ingots last Thursday; but I spoiled his Compliment, by ordering him to be arrested, and committed that Day, shewing the Council my Orders from Court for that Purpose. Two Gentlemen of the Council, Two Merchants, and the Collector, have the Charge of all the Cargo; and they are preparing Inventories of every thing, which shall be sent to your Lordships by the next Ship. I delivered up to those Five Persons the Jewels that I have formerly told you *Kidd* sent by *Campbell* to my Wife, and that at the Council Board.

If I had not kept Mr. Secretary *Vernon's* Orders for seizing and securing *Kidd*, and his Associates, with all their Effects, with the less Secrecy, I had never got him to come in: For his Countrymen, Mr. *Graham* and *Livingston*, would have been sure to caution him to shift for himself; and would have been well paid for their Pains. I received the Lords Justices Orders about *Kidd*, and likewise Mr. Secretary *Vernon's*, about Three Months before my leaving *New York*; but I never discovered them to any body: And, when I heard People say, That the neighbouring Governors had Orders from Court to seize him, I laughed, as if I believed no such thing. I wish they may not let him escape here, as they have *Bradish* a noted Pirate. About a Fortnight ago, *Bradish* and another Pirate got out of Goal of this Town, and escaped, with the Consent of the Gaoler, as there is great Reason to believe.

As the Law stands in this Country, a Pirate cannot be punished with Death: Therefore I desire to receive Orders what to do with *Bradish's* Crew; and also with *Kidd*, and those Men of his I have taken.

Since my leaving *New York*, One of the Four Ships has come in that went from thence to *Madagascar* last Summer, and of which I informed your Lordships; and has brought Sixty Pirates, and a vast deal of Treasure. I hear, that every one of the Pirates paid 150*l.* for his Passage; and the Owners have, I am told, cleared 30,000*l.* by this Voyage. It is observable, Mr. *Hackshaw*, One of the Merchants that petitioned against me to your Lordships, and *Stephen Delancy* a hot-headed saucy *Frenchman*, and Mr. *Hackshaw's* Correspondent, are the chief Owners of this Ship. I hear there are 200 Pirates at *Madagascar* when this Ship came away, who intended to take their Passage in *Frederick Phillip's* Ship, and the other Two belonging to *New York*.

A great Ship has been seen off this Coast many time this Week, supposed to be one *Maise*, a Pirate, who has brought a vast deal of Wealth from the *Red Seas*. There is a Sloop also at *Rhode Island*, which is said to be a Pirate: I hear the Men go ashore there in the Day-time, and return to the Sloop at Night, and spend their Gold very liberally. We can do nothing towards the taking those Ships, for want of a Man of War. I am manning out a Ship to go in quest of the *Quedah Merchant* left by *Kidd* on the Coast of *Hispaniola*: By some Papers which we seized with *Kidd*, and by his own Confession, we have found out where the Ship lies; and, according to his Account of the Cargo, we compute her to be worth 70,000*l.* The Ship that carries this is just upon Sailing, and will not be persuaded to stay any longer; so that I cannot send your Lordships the Inventories of the Goods brought in by *Kidd*, nor the Informations we have taken about him from his own Men, till next Opportunity.

I am, with respect,

My Lords,  
Your Lordships most humble,  
and obedient Servant,  
*Bellomont.*

A Copy of a Letter from the Earl of *Bellomont* to the Council of Trade.

My Lords, *Boston*, 26th July 99.

I gave your Lordships a short Account of my taking Capt. *Kidd*, in my Letter of the 8th Instant: I shall, in this Letter, confine myself wholly to an Account of my Proceeding with him.

On the 13th of last Month Mr. *Emot*, a Lawyer of *New York*, came late at Night to me, and told me he came from Captain *Kidd*, who was on the Coast with a Sloop, but would not tell where: That *Kidd* had brought Sixty Pound Weight of Gold, about a hundred Weight of Silver, and Seventeen Bales of *East India* Goods, which was less by Twenty-four Bales than we have since got in the Sloop: That *Kidd* had left behind him a great Ship near the Coast of *Hispaniola*, that nobody but himself could find out; on board whereof there were, in Bale Goods, Saltpetre, and other things, to the Value of at

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least 30,000*l.*: That, if I would give him Pardon, he would bring in the Sloop and Goods hither, and would go and fetch the great Ship and Goods afterwards. Mr. *Emot* delivered me that Night Two *French* Passes, which *Kidd* took on board the Two *Moors* Ships, which were taken by him in the Seas of *India*, or, as he alleges, by his Men against his Will: One of the Passes wants a Date in the Original, as in the Copy I send your Lordships; and they go N<sup>o</sup> I. and N<sup>o</sup> II.

On *Thursday*, the 15th of June, I sent Mr. *Campbell*, the Post-master of this Town, *Kidd's* Countryman and Acquaintance, along with Mr. *Emot*, to invite *Kidd* to come into this Port: Mr. *Campbell* returned hither on the 19th of June, and gave in a Memorial to Myself and the Council, containing what had passed between him and *Kidd*: The said Memorial goes N<sup>o</sup> III. On the said 19th of June, as I sat in Council, I wrote a Letter to Captain *Kidd*, and shewed it to the Council: and they approving of it, I dispatched Mr. *Campbell* again to *Kidd* with my said Letter; a Copy whereof goes N<sup>o</sup> IV. Your Lordships may observe, That the Promise I make Captain *Kidd*, in my said Letter, of a kind Reception, and promising the King's Pardon for him, is conditional; that is, provided he was as innocent as he pretended to be: But I quickly found sufficient Cause to suspect him very guilty, by the many Lyes and Contradictions he told me. I was so much upon my guard with *Kidd*, that, he arriving here on *Saturday* the 8th of this Month, I would not see him, but before Witnesses; nor have I ever seen him since, but in Council, twice or thrice, that we examined him; and the Day he was taken up by the Constable, it happened to be by the Door of my Lodging, and he rushed in, and came running to me, the Constable after him. I had him not seized till *Thursday* the 6th Instant; for I had a mind to discover where he had left the great Ship; and I thought myself secure enough from his running away, because I took care not to give him the least Umbrage of my Design of seizing him: Nor had I, till that Day that I produced my Orders from Court for apprehending of *Kidd*, communicated them to any body: And I found it necessary to shew my Orders to the Council, to animate them to join heartily with me in securing *Kidd*, and examining his Affair nicely, to discover what we could of his Behaviour in his whole Voyage. Another Reason why I took him not up sooner was, that he had brought his Wife and Children hither in the Sloop with him, who, I believed, he would not easily forsake. He being examined twice or thrice by me and the Council, and also some of his Men, I observed he seemed much disturbed: And, the last time we examined him, I fancied he looked as if he were upon the Wing, and resolved to run away; and the Gentlemen of the Council had some of them the same thought with mine, so that I took their Consent in seizing and committing him: But the Officers appointed to seize his Men were so careless, as to let Three or Four of his Men escape; which troubled me the more, because they were old *New York* Pirates.

The next thing the Council and I did was to appoint a Committee of trusty Persons, to search for the Goods and Treasure brought by *Kidd*; and to secure what they should find, till the King's Pleasure should be known as to the Disposition thereof, as my Orders from Mr. Secretary *Vernon* import. The said Committee were made up of Two Gentlemen of the Council, Two Merchants, and the Deputy Collector, whose Names are to the inclosed Inventory of the Goods and Treasure. They searched *Kidd's* Lodgings, and found hid and made up in Two Sea Beds, a Bag of Gold Dust and Ingots, of the Value of about 1,000*l.*; and a Bag of Silver, part Money, and part Pieces and Pigs of Silver, Value as set down in the said Inventory. In the above Bag of Gold were several little Bags of Gold: All Particulars are very justly and exactly set down in the Inventory, I believe. For my Part, I have meddled with no manner of thing; but put every thing under the Management of the Council, and into the Custody of the before-mentioned Committee

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mittee, that I might be free from the Suspicion and Censure of the World.

The enamelled Box, mentioned in the Beginning of the Inventory, is that which *Kidd* made a Present of to my Wife by Mr. *Campbell*; which I delivered in Council to the said Committee, to keep with the rest of the Treasure. There was in it a Stone Ring, which we take to be a *Bristol* Stone: If it were true, it would be worth about 40*l.*: And there was a small Stone unset, which we believe is also counterfeit; and a Sort of a Locket, with Four Sparks, which seem to be right Diamonds; for there is nobody here that understands Jewels. If the Box, and all that is in it, were right, they cannot be worth above 60*l.*

Your Lordships will see, in the middle of the Inventory, a Parcel of Treasure and Jewels, delivered up by Mr. *Gardiner* of *Gardiner's Island* in the Province of *New York*, and at the East End of *Nassau Island*; the Recovering and Seizing of which Treasure is owing to my own Care and Quickness. I heard, by greatest Accident in the World, the Day that Captain *Kidd* was committed, That a Man had offered 30*l.* for a Sloop to carry him to *Gardiner's Island*; and *Kidd* having owned he had borrowed some Gold on that Island, though he never mentioned to us any Jewels, nor, I believe, would he have owned the Gold there, but that he thought he should be sent for it, I presently reflected, that That Man, whom I have since discovered to be one of *Kidd's* Men, was to defeat us of that Treasure: I privately posted away a Messenger by Land, with a peremptory Order to Mr. *Gardiner*, in the King's Name, to come forthwith, and deliver up such Treasure as *Kidd*, or any of his Crew, had lodged with him; acquainting him, That I had committed *Kidd* to Gaol, as I was ordered to do by the King. My Messenger made great Haste, and was with *Gardiner* before any body; and *Gardiner*, who is a very substantial Man, brought away the Treasure without Delay, and, by my Direction, delivered it into the Hands of the Committee. If the Jewels be right, as it is supposed they are, but I never saw them, nor the Gold and Silver brought by *Gardiner*, then we guess that the Parcel brought by him may be worth, Gold, Silver, and Jewels, 4,500*l.*: And besides, *Kidd* had left six Bales of Goods with him, One of which was twice as big as any of the rest; and *Kidd* gave him a particular Charge of that Bale, and told him, it was worth 2,000*l.*: The Six Bales *Gardiner* could not bring; but I have ordered him to send them by a Sloop that is since gone from hence to *New York*, which is to return speedily. We are not able to set an exact Value on the Goods and Treasure we have got, because we have not opened the Bales we took on board the Sloop: But we hope, when the Six Bales are sent in by *Gardiner*, what will be then in the Hands of the Gentlemen appointed to that Trust, will amount to about 14,000*l.* I have sent strict Orders to my Lieutenant Governor at *New York*, to make diligent Search for the Goods and Treasure sent by *Kidd* to *New York*, in Three Sloops mentioned in *Gardiner's* Affidavit, which I send, with the other Affidavits and Informations, to your Lordships; and I believe I have directed him where to find a Purchase in a House at *New York*, which, by a Hint I have had, I am apt to believe will be found out in that House. I have sent to search elsewhere a certain Place strongly suspected to have received another Depositum of Gold from *Kidd*. I am also upon the Hunt for Two or Three Arch Pirates, which I hope to give your Lordships a good Account of by my next Conveyance. If I could have but a good able Judge and Attorney General at *York*, a Man of War there, and another here, and the Companies recruited and well paid, I will rout Pirates and Piracy intirely out of all this North Part of *America*: But, as I have too often told your Lordships, it is impossible for me to do all this alone in my single Person.

I wrote your Lordships Word, in my last Letter of the 8th Instant, That *Bradish* the Pirate, and One of his Crew, were escaped out of the Gaol of this Town. We

have since found, that the Gaoler was *Bradish's* Kinsman; and the Gaoler confessed, they went out at the Prison Door, and that he found it wide open. We had all the Reason in the World to believe the Gaoler was consenting to the Escape: By much ado I could get the Council to resent the Gaoler's Behaviour; but, by mere Impor-tunity, I had the fellow before us: We examined him, and, by his own Story, and Accounts given us of his suffering other Prisoners formerly to escape, I prevailed to have him turned out, and a Prosecution ordered against him to the Attorney General. I have also, with some Difficulty, this late Session of Assembly here, got a Bill to pass, That the Gaol be committed to the Care of the High-Sheriff of the County, as in *England*, with a Salary of 30*l. per Annum*, to the said Sheriff: I would have had it 50*l. per Annum*, for the Sheriff's Encouragement to be honest and careful; but I could not prevail. I am forced to allow the Sheriff 40*s. per Week* for keeping *Kidd* safe, otherwise I should be in some Doubt about him. He has, without Doubt, a great deal of Gold, which is apt to tempt Men that have not Principles of Honour: I have therefore, to try the Power of dull Iron against Gold, put him into Irons that weigh Sixteen Pound Weight. I thought it moderate enough; for I remember, poor Doctor *Oates* had a Hundred Weight of Iron on him, when he was a Prisoner in the late Reign. There never was a greater Lyar in the World than this *Kidd*: Notwithstanding he assured the Council and me, every time we examined him, That the great Ship, and her Cargo, waited his Return to bring her hither; and now your Lordships will see, by Two several Informations of Masters of Ships from *Curacao*, that the Cargo, has been sold there: And, in One of them, it is said, they have burnt that noble Ship; and, without Doubt, it was by *Kidd's* Order, that the Ship might not be an Evidence against him; for he would not own to us her Name was the *Quedah Merchant*, though his Men did. *Andries Henlyne*, and Two more, brought the first News to *New York*, of the Sale of that Cargo at *Curacao*; and never such Pennyworths heard of for Cheapness. Captain *Evertz* is he who has brought the News of the Ship's being burnt. She was of about 500 Ton; and *Kidd* told us at the Council, there never was a stronger or stauncher Ship seen. His Lying had like to have involved me in a Contract, that would have been very chargeable, and to no manner of Purpose, as he has ordered Matters. I was advised by Council to dispatch a Ship of good Countenance, to go and fetch away that Ship and Cargo. I had agreed for a Ship of 300 Tons, 22 Guns; and I was to man her with Sixty Men, to force, if there had been need of it, the Men to yield who were left with the Ship. I was just going to seal the Writing, when I bethought myself it were best to press *Kidd*, once more to tell me Truth. I therefore sent to him Two Gentlemen of the Council to the Gaol; and he at last owned, That he had left a Power with one Mr. *Henry Bolton*, a Merchant of *Antegoa*, whom he had committed the Care of the Ship to, to sell and dispose of all the Cargo: Upon which Confession of *Kidd's* I held my Hand from hiring that great Ship, which would have cost 1,700*l.* by Computation. And now To-morrow I send the Sloop Captain *Kidd* came in, with the Letters to the Lieutenant Governor of *Antegoa*, Colonel *Yeomans*, to the Governors of *St. Thomas's Island* and *Curacao*, to seize and secure what Effects they can, that was late in the Possession of *Kidd*, and on board the *Quedah Merchant*. There is one *Burt*, an *Englishman*, that lives at *St. Thomas*, who has got a great Store of the Goods and Money for *Kidd's* Account. *St. Thomas* belongs to the *Danes*; but I hope to retrieve what *Burt* has in his Hands. The sending this Sloop will cost but about 300*l.* if she be out Three Months. I hope your Lordships will take care, that immediate Orders be sent to *Antegoa* to secure *Bolton*, who must have played the Knave egregiously; for he could not but know, that *Kidd* came knavishly by that Sloop and Goods. It is reported, That the *Dutch* of *Curacao* have loaded Three Sloops with those Goods, and



and sent them to *Holland*: Perhaps it were not amiss, to send and watch their Arrival in *Holland*, if it be practicable to lay Claim to them there.

Since my Commitment of *Kidd*, I hear, That, upon his Approach to this Port, his Heart misgave him; and he proposed to his Men, the putting to Sea again, and going to *Caledonia*, the new *Scotch* Settlement, near *Darien*; but they refused.

I desire I may have Orders what to do with *Kidd*, and all his and *Bradish*' Crew; for as the Law stands in this Country, if a Pirate were convict, yet he cannot suffer Death: And the Council here refused to pass the Bill to punish Privateers and Pirates, which your Lordships sent with me from *England*, with a Direction to recommend it at *New York* and here, to be passed into a Law. I shall, by next Conveyance, acquaint your Lordships, what a Prejudice I have found in some of the Council to the Laws of *England* this Session; but, having writ myself almost dead, I must, till another Opportunity, forbear to treat of the Affairs of this Province; but, when I do, I must tell your Lordships beforehand, I will not dissemble with you, to favour any Man, or Number of Men; I am both above it, and I should think I did not do the Part of an honest Man, if I concealed any thing from you, that tends to the Prejudice of the Interest of *England*.

You will observe, by some of the Informations I now send, That *Kidd* did not only rob the Two *Moors* Ships, but also a *Portuguese* Ship; which he denied absolutely to the Council and me.

I send your Lordships Twenty-four several Papers and Evidences relating to Captain *Kidd*: It is impossible for me to animadvert, and make Remarks, on the several Matters contained in the said Papers, in the weak Condition I am at present; but must leave that Trouble to Mr. Secretary *Popple*, whose excellent clear Method in Business fits him incomparably beyond me for such a Work.

I will always continue to be, with much Respect,  
My Lords,

Your Lordships most humble  
and obedient Servant,  
*Bellomont*.

N<sup>o</sup> I. A Copy of the *French* Pass.

De par le Roy.

Nous François Martin, escur, conseiller du Roy, directeur-général du commerce pour la royale compagnie de France dans le royaume de l'engalle, coste de Coromandelle, et autres lieuz, à tous ceux qui ces presentes lettres verront, salut. Les nommés Coja Ouanesse, et Coja Jacob Armenien, Nacodas du navire Cara, marchand, que le nomme Agapiris, Kalender marchand Armenien à Strete à Suraté du nommé Cohergy Nannabaye Parsy, le dit navire du port de trois cent cinquante tonneaux, ou environ, sur lequel est pilote Rette taudel ou Bosseman Giuaunatou et ecivain Gassou; nous ayants remontré, qu'ayants pris, avant leur depart de Surate, un passeport de la compagnie, qu'ils nous ont représenté en datte du premier Janvier mil six cent nonante sept, signé Martin; et plus bas, de Grangemont: qu'ils apprehendoient d'estre inquietez dans le voyage qu'ils doivent faire de ce port à celui de Surate, sous pretexte que le dit passeport est suranné; et qu'ainsy ils nous privient instement de leur en faire expedier un novent: à ces causes recommandons à tous ceux, qui sont sous l'autorité de la compagnie, prions les chefs d'escadres, et commandans des vaisseaux de sa majesté, requirons tous les amis et aliéz de la couronne, de n'apporter aucun empêchement, qui puisse retarder son voyage; ains luy donner toutes sortes d'aydes, et d'assistance; promettant, en cas pareil, faire semblable. En foy dequoy, nous avons signé ces presentes. Fait contresigner, par le secretaire de la compagnie; et à icelle apposer le sceau de ces armes, au comptoir-général D'ougly, le quatorzième Janvier mil six cent nonante huit.

Martin.

Par mon dit Seur Desprez.

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N<sup>o</sup> II. De par le Roy.

Nous Jean Baptiste Martin, directeur-général de la royale compagnie de France des Indes Orientales, à tous ceux qui ces presentes lettres verront, salut. Savoir faisons, que le nommé Vameldas Narendas marchand de Baroche, desirant envoyer son navire nommé Rouparelle du port de cent cinquante tonneaux, ou environ, partant du port de Baroche pour aller à Malabare, Brugalle, et Bassora, commandé par le Nacoda Abdel Reyin, sur lequel est pilate Issac Cendel, ou Bosseman Joquy, et ecivain Dalet Mamet, nous auroit justement prié de luy donner nôtre passeport; ce que nous luy avons octroyé: à ces causes ordonnons à tous ceux, qui sont sous nôtre autorité, prions les commandants des navires de sa majesté, de l'ayder et secourir en tout ce qu'il aura besoin, si leurs ordres ne sont contraires, et de faire saisir, comme deserteurs, les François, qui seront dessus sans congé, par ecrit de messieurs les directeurs-généraux de Bengalle, ou de nous: et requirons tous nos amis et aliéz de n'apporter aucun empêchement, qui puisse retarder son voyage; ains, au contraire, de luy donner toute ayde et secours; promettant, en cas pareil, faire semblable. En foy dequoy, nous avons signé ces presentes. Fait contresigner par le secretaire de la ditte compagnie; et à icelles apposé le sceau de ces armes. Fait à comptoir de Suratte, le \* \* \*

Martin.

Boston, June the 19th, 1699.

N<sup>o</sup> III. The Memorial of *Duncan Campbell*, of *Boston*, humbly presented to his Excellency the Earl of *Bellomont*.

I, the said *Duncan Campbell*, being at *Rhode Island* on *Saturday* the 17th June current; that Morning I went in a Sloop from the said Island, in Company with Mr. *James Emott* of *New York*, and Two other Men belonging to the said Sloop, towards *Block Island*; and, about Three Leagues from that Island, I met a Sloop commanded by Captain *Kidd*, and having on board about Sixteen Men besides; after hailing of which Sloop, and being informed, That the said *Kidd* was Commander thereof, he the said *Kidd* desired me to come on board the same; which I accordingly did, and, after some Discourse passed, the said *Kidd* desired me to do him the Favour as to make what Speed I could for *Boston*, and acquaint your Excellency, That the said *Kidd* had brought a Ship, about 5 or 600 Tons, from *Madagascar*, which, some considerable time since, he met within\* \* \* and commanded her there to bring to; and that thereupon the Pilot, being a *Frenchman*, came on board the said *Kidd*'s Ship, and told him, the said *Kidd*, He was welcome, and that the said Ship, to which the said Pilot belonged, was a lawful Prize to him, the said *Kidd*, she sailing under a *French* Pass: Whereupon he, the said *Kidd*, and Company, took the said Ship; and afterwards, understanding that the same belonged to the *Moors*, he, the said *Kidd*, would have delivered her up again; but his Men violently fell upon him, and thrust him into his Cabin, saying, The said Ship was a fair Prize; and then carried her into *Madagascar*, and rifled her of what they pleased: But before they got into *Madagascar*, the Gally under Command of him, the said *Kidd*, became so leaky, that she would scarce keep above Water; whereupon the Company belonging thereto, having taken out her Guns, and some other Things, and put them on board the Prize, set the said Gally on Fire.

The said Captain *Kidd* further told me, That, when he and his Company were arrived at *Madagascar*, several of his Company moved him to go and take a Ship called the *Moco* Frigate, that lay ready fitted at a Place not far distant from them, in the Possession of certain Privateers; and to go in the same for the *Red Sea*; but that he the said *Kidd* said, That, if they would join with him, he would attempt the taking of the said Ship, supposing her a lawful Prize, being formerly belonging to the King of *England*; but would not afterwards go with them on the said Design to the *Red Sea*: Whereupon Ninety of his, the said *Kidd*'s Men, deserted him, went and took the said Ship

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Ship, and sailed with the same on the said Design, as he, the said *Kidd*, was informed; obliging one Captain *Culliver*, the then Commander of her, to go along with them.

And the said *Kidd* further told me, That his Men having left him, and his Design frustrated, he thought it his best Way to preserve the said Ship then in his Possession, and the Goods on board her, for his Employers, or the proper Owners thereof: And accordingly, with the few Men he had then left, which would not join with the other Ninety in their aforesaid Design, being about Twenty in Number, and with a few other Men, that he procured at *Madagascar*, to assist him in navigating the said Ship, he intended to have brought the same to *Boston*, according to his Orders; but, touching in his Way at the Island of *St. Thomas*, and other Places in the *West Indies*, he there heard, That great Complaints were preferred against him, and he proclaimed a Pirate; which occasioned him to sail to a Place called *Mona*, near *Hispaniola*; from whence he sent to *Curaso*, and bought there the Sloop on which he is now on board, and took into her to the Value of about 8 or 10,000 *l.* in Goods, Gold, and Plate; for which Gold and Plate he traded at *Madagascar*, and was produced by the Sale of sundry Goods and Stores, that he took out of the *Adventure Gally*, formerly commanded by him; and hath left the Ship taken by his Company, and carried to *Madagascar*, as aforesaid, at or near *Mona* abovesaid, in the Custody of about Six Men of his own Company, and Eighteen others that he got from *Curaso*; the Merchant, of whom he bought the said Sloop, being intrusted therewith; unto which he hath promised to return again in Three Months; the said *Kidd* resolving to come into *Boston*, or *New York*, to deliver up unto your Excellency what Goods and Treasure he hath on board; and to pray your Excellency's Assistance, to enable him to bring the said Ship, left by him at *Mona* aforesaid, from thence; the said Ship being disabled from coming for want of Furniture.

But the said Captain *Kidd* further informed me, That by reason of what his Men had heard in the *West Indies*, as aforesaid, of their being proclaimed Pirates, they would not consent to his coming into any Port without some Assurance from your Excellency, That they should not be imprisoned nor molested: And the said Captain *Kidd* did several times protest solemnly, That he had not done any thing since his going out in the said *Gally* contrary to his Commission and Orders, more than what he was necessitated unto, being overpowered by his Men that deserted him, as aforesaid; who evil-intreated him several times for his not consenting to, or joining with them in, their Actions: And all the Men on board the Sloop now with him did, in like manner, solemnly protest their Innocence; and declared, That they had used their utmost Endeavours in preserving the aforesaid Ship and Goods for the Owners or Employers.

The said *Kidd* also said, That, if your Lordship should see Cause so to direct, he would carry the said Ship for *England*, there to render an Account of his Proceedings.

Which foregoing contains the Particulars of what Captain *Kidd* and his Men related to

Your Lordship's most humble Servant,  
*Duncan Campbell.*

N<sup>o</sup> IV. A Copy of the Earl of *Bellmont's* Letter to Captain *Kidd*.

Captain *Kidd*, *Boston*, 19 June 1699.

Mr. *Emott* came to me last Tuesday Night late, telling me, He came from you, but was shy of telling where he parted with you; nor did I press him to it: He told me, You came to *Oyster Bay*, in *Nassau Island*, and sent for him to *New York*. He proposed to me, That I would grant you a Pardon: I answered, That I had never granted one yet; and that I had set myself a Rule, not to grant a Pardon to any Body whatever without the King's express Leave or Command: He told me, You declared and protested your Innocence; and that, if your Men could be persuaded to follow your Example, you would make no Manner of Scruple of coming into this

Port, or any other within his Majesty's Dominions: That you owned there were Two Ships taken; but that your Men did it violently, against your Will; and had used you barbarously, in imprisoning you, and treating you ill, most Part of the Voyage, and often attempting to murder you. Mr. *Emott* delivered me Two French Passes, taken on board the Two Ships which your Men rifled; which Passes I have in my Custody; and I am apt to believe they will be a good Article to justify you, if the late Peace were not, by the Treaty between *England* and *France*, to operate in that Part of the World at the time the Hostility was committed, as I am almost confident it was not to do. Mr. *Emott* also told me, You had to about the Value of 10,000 *l.* in the Sloop with you; and that you had left a Ship somewhere off the Coast of *Hispaniola*, in which there was to the Value of 30,000 *l.* more, which you had left in safe Hands, and had promised to go to your People in that Ship, within Three Months, to fetch them with you to a safe Harbour. These are all the material Particulars I can recollect that passed between Mr. *Emott* and me: Only this, that he told me, that you shewed a great Sense of Honour and Justice, in professing, with many Asseverations, your settled and serious Design, all along, to do Honour to your Commission, and never to do the least Thing contrary to your Duty and Allegiance to the King: And this I have to say in your Defence, That several Persons at *New York*, who I can bring to evidence it, if there be Occasion, did tell me, That by several Advices from *Madagascar*, and that Part of the World, they were informed of your Men's revolting from you in one Place; which I am pretty sure they said was at *Madagascar*; and that others of them compelled you, much against your Will, to take and rifle Two Ships.

I have advised with his Majesty's Council, and shewed them this Letter, this Afternoon; and they are of Opinion, That if your Case be so clear as you (or Mr. *Emott* for you) have said, then you may safely come hither, and be equipped, and fitted out, to go and fetch the other Ship; and I make no Manner of Doubt but to obtain the King's Pardon for you, and those few Men you have left; who, I understand, have been faithful to you, and refused, as well as you, to dishonour the Commission you had from *England*.

I assure you, on my Word and Honour, I will perform nicely what I have now promised: Though this I declare beforehand, That whatever Treasure or Goods you bring hither, I will not meddle with the least Bit of them; but they shall be left with such trusty Persons as the Council shall advise, until I receive Orders from *England*, how they shall be disposed of.

Mr. *Campbell* will satisfy you, That this, That I have now writ, is the Sense of the Council, and of

Your humble Servant.

*Boston*, June the 19th, 1699.

His Excellency read this Letter in Council: Which was approved of by them.

*Isa. Addington*, Secretary.

N<sup>o</sup> V. A Copy of Captain *Kidd's* Letter to the Earl of *Bellmont*.

From Block Island Road, on board the Sloop *St. Antonio*, June the 24th, 1699.

May it please your Excellency,

I am honoured with your Lordship's kind Letter of the 19th current, by Mr. *Campbell*; which came to my Hands this Day; for which I return my most hearty Thanks.

I cannot but blame myself for not writing to your Lordship before this Time, knowing it was my Duty; but the Clamours, and false Stories, that have been reported of me, made me fearful of writing, or coming into any Harbour, till I could hear from your Lordship.

I note the Contents of your Lordship's Letter: As to what Mr. *Emott* and Mr. *Campbell* informed your Lordship of my Proceedings, I do affirm to be true; and a great Deal more might be said of the Abuses of my Men, and the Hardship I have undergone to preserve the Ship, and

and what Goods my Men had left: Ninety-five Men went away from me in one Day, and went on board the *Moca* Frigate, Captain *Robert Cullifar* Commander; who went away to the *Red Seas*; and committed several Acts of Piracy, as I am informed; and am afraid (the Men formerly belonging to my Gally) that the Report is gone Home against me to the *East India* Company, That I have been the Actor: A Sheet of Paper will not contain what may be said of the Care I took to preserve the Owners Interest, and to come Home to clear my own Innocency. I do further declare and protest, That I never did, in the least, act contrary to the King's Commission, nor to the Reputation of my honourable Owners; and doubt not but I shall be able to make my Innocence appear; or else I had no need to come to these Parts of the World, if it were not for that, and my Owners Interest. There are Five or Six Passengers, that came from *Mallegasco* to assist me in bringing the Ship Home, and about Ten of my own Men, that came with me, would not venture to go into *Boston*, till Mr. *Campbell* had engaged, Body for Body, for them, That they should not be molested while I staid at *Boston*, or till I return with the Ship. I doubt not but your Lordship will write to *England* in my favour, and for these few Men, that are left. I wish your Lordship would persuade Mr. *Campbell* to go Home for *England*, with your Lordship's Letters: Who will be able to give Account of our Affairs, and diligently follow the same, that there may be a speedy Answer from *England*.

I desired Mr. *Campbell* to buy 1,000 Weight of Rigging, for fitting of the Ship to bring her to *Boston*, that I may not be delayed, when I come there. Upon receiving of your Lordship's Letter, I am making the best of my Way for *Boston*.

This, with my humble Duty to your Lordship and Countess, is what offers from, my Lord,

Your Excellency's most humble  
and dutiful Servant,

*Wm. Kidd.*

N<sup>o</sup> VI. A Copy of the Earl of *Bellmont*'s Letter to Mr. *Gardiner*.

*Boston* in *New-England*, 8 July 1699.

Mr. *Gardiner*,

Having received the King's express Orders for seizing and securing the Bodies of Captain *Kidd*, . . . all his Associates, together with all their Effects, and till I should receive his Majesty's Royal Pleasure how to dispose of the same; I have accordingly secured Captain *Kidd* in the Gaol of this Town, and some of his Men: He has been examined by myself, and the Council, and has confessed, among other Things, That he left with you a Parcel of Gold, made up in a Box, and some other Parcels besides; All which I require you, in his Majesty's Name, immediately to bring hither to me, that I may secure them for his Majesty's Use; and I shall recompense your Pains in coming hither. I am

Your Friend and Servant,

*Bellmont.*

*Boston*, July 10th, 1699.

N<sup>o</sup> VII. A Copy of the Examination of *Gabriel Loff*, of *Long Island*, within the Province of *New York*, Seaman.

Who saith, That, in September 1696, he entered himself on board the *Adventure Gally*, Captain *Kidd* Commander, as a Foremast-man, at *New York*; and proceeded in the Gally from thence, first to *Madera*, then to *Bona-rista*, *St. Jago*, and from thence to *Madagascar*; from thence to *Joanna* and *Mehila*, from *Mehila* back to *Joanna*; and from *Joanna* made their Course into the *Red Sea*, to cruise for Pirates; and, after some Time spent there, meeting with no Purchase, sailed for the Coast of *India*, and cruised there; and there gave Chace to a Ship, which shewed us *French* Colours, and *Moorish* Colours, and some others; and, after some Chace, came up with her; Captain *Kidd* commanded the Commander of her to come on board; who accordingly did: The Examinant knows not what Nation he was of; but he brought a *French* Pass,

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and told Captain *Kidd*, That his Ship was a Prize; and Captain *Kidd* made Prize of her, and her Lading: She was about 150 Tons in Burden, laden with Cotton-Wool, Bees-Wax, Tobacco, and Two Horses: The Company were chiefly *Moors*;—only Three *Christians*;—he knows not the Number: The *Christians* remained in the Gally, and took up Arms there: The *Moors* were sent on Shore. Soon after the taking of this Ship, the Examinant was taken sick, and lay so most of the Voyage: Knows not what they did with the Lading: The Ship they carried to *Madagascar*; and there sunk her. Some Weeks after the taking of the said Ship, they took another Ship, on the Coast of *India*, of Burden 400 Tons, or upwards, commanded by one *Wright*, an *Englishman*; which Ship came from *Bengall*: The Ship was chiefly manned with *Moors* and *Armenians*: There was Three *Christians* on board.

The Examinant further saith, They carried the said Ship and Lading with them to *Madagascar*; and there landed all the Bale-goods on board, consisting of Callicoes, Muslins, Silk, and white, striped, and plain, Romalls, Bengalls, and Laches: There fell betwixt Three and Four Bales to a Share: The Examinant had Three whole Bales, and a Piece of a Bale, to his Share; some of which he disposed of at *Madagascar*, to buy Provisions; and left some in the Ship; the Remainder he had in his own Chest, and some in *Martin Skinke's* Chest; which Chests were put on board a *New York* Sloop in the *Sound*, commanded by one *Coster*, and committed to his Care, to be carried to *New York*: Captain *Kidd* had Forty odd Shares for himself, and his Ship; most of his Men deserted. At *St. Marie's*, a Difference arose betwixt the Captain and his Company; Captain *Kidd* proposing to them to take the *Mocha* Frigate, which lay there; but the generality of the Men refused, saying, They would sooner shoot him, than into the said *Mocha* Frigate: And they went aboard the said Frigate.

Further the Examinant saith, That the aforesaid Ship, commanded by Captain *Wright*, and taken by Captain *Kidd* in the Seas of *India*, was called the *Quiddah Merchant*: And that the said *Kidd*, and his Company that remained with him, brought the said Ship from *Madagascar* into *Hispaniola*, in the *West Indies*; and there the said Captain *Kidd* traded with Two Persons, named *Boulton* and *Burt*, for some of the Bale-goods, which were delivered out of the Ship: And Captain *Kidd* bought a Sloop of the said Mr. *Boulton*, and laded the said Sloop with Bale-goods taken out of the said Ship for so much as she could conveniently stow, and lodge the Men besides: The Number of Bales he knows not: And leaving the said *Boulton*, with Seventeen or Eighteen Men, on board the Ship, the said Captain *Kidd*, with several of his Company, proceeded in the said Sloop towards *New York*; and the Discourse was, That Captain *Kidd* was to return to the Ship again within the Space of Three Months: And, after their Departure from *Hispaniola*, they arrived, with the said Sloop, first at the *Horekills* in *Delaware Bay*, where they landed a Chest belonging to one *James Gillam*, a Passenger with them from *Madagascar*: Knows not what was in it: And from the *Horekills* they sailed with the said Sloop into the *Sound*, and put some Goods on Shore at *Gardener's Island*: The Quantity the Examinant knows not: And also put some Goods and Chests on board the *New York* Sloop, one *Coster* Master, then lying at said *Gardener's Island*: And also put a Pack of Goods on shore at *Tarpolin Cove*. Whilst they lay with the said Sloop off *Rhode Island*, *James Gillam*, before named, went on shore in a Boat, that came on board the said Sloop: Knows not from whence the said Boat came, nor who she belonged to.

*Gabriel Loff.*

Taken, *dic prædict.* before us,

*Elisha Cooke,* } J. Pac.  
*Isa. Addington,* }

Copy examined per

*J. Addington*, Secretary.

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N<sup>o</sup> VIII. *Andries Hen. Lyne, John Pero, Jacob Ra-teez*, lately come from *Curasou* in the Sloop *Mary*, the said *Andries* Master,

Inform, That they heard, That several Sloops had been on board of Captain *Kidd's* Ship in the River of *Romano*, near the Island *Katharine*, and fetched from thence several *East India* Goods, and carried them to *Curasoa*, and the Island *St. Thomas*: And, that they have seen at *Curasoa* great Quantities of the said Goods: And that *John Pero* saw one *Ware*, the Master of *Kidd's* Ship, at *Curasoa*; and was frequently with him there: And they heard, That one *William Whitley*, that went one of *Kidd's* Mates from *New York*, sold Ten Bales of *East India* Goods for 1,000 Pieces of Eight to the Merchants of *Curasoa*; which was, by the Calculation of the Merchant that bought them, about the Price of 4 *d.* per Yard that Money, which is 6 *d.* *New York* Money, Silks, Callicoes, and Muslins, one with another: And that they saw a Sloop, which they heard was to go to the said Ship the next Day after they parted from *Curasoa*, which was the 14th June last.

They heard also, That the Ship had lost her Anchors at the Island *Moona*; and that she was much out of Repair.

The said Persons examined by me the 10th Day of July 1699.

*S. V. Nortland.*

N<sup>o</sup> IX. An Account received this 17th Day of July 1699, by Captain *Nicolas Evertse*.

That, in the Month of May last, he was at *Curacoa*; and, after he had been there Three or Four Weeks, News arrived, That Captain *Kidd*, with his Ship, was at the Island of *Sroona*, to the South-east of *Hispaniola*; from thence . . . . . was brought by a *Curacoa* Master to the Island *St. Helena*, nigh *Hispaniola*; where the same was brought in a Salt-Lagon; where the Inhabitants of *Curacoa* and *St. Thomas* traded with the same, and carried off several Sloops Load: And the said *Evertz* has seen some of the Goods brought to *Curacoa*: Whereupon the said *Evertz* did address himself to the Governor of *Curacoa*, *Bostiaen Bernage*, desiring his Assistance to hinder such a wicked Trade, seeing it was unlawful to trade with Pirates: All which, by some Accidents, was hindered, &c. And the said *Evertz*, departing from *Curacoa*, bound to this Port of *New York*; and, by reason of the Northerly Wind, not being able to reach above *St. Helena*, where the said Ship of Captain *Kidd's* lay in the aforesaid Lagon, and was almost burnt down; which was on the 29th of June last, when the said *Evertz* saw it on Fire; there being then Two Sloops at that Place.

A true Copy.

*Bellomont.*

N<sup>o</sup> X. The Examination of *William Jenkins, Richard Barlycorne*, and *Robert Lamley*.

The Examination of *William Jenkins*, of *Bow* near *London*, aged about 18 Years, Apprentice to *Geo. Bullen* deceased, late chief Mate to the *Adventure Gally*, Captain *Wm. Kidd* Commander:

Who saith, That, some time after *Christmas* in the Year 1695, he sailed with the said *Adventure Gally* from *Plymouth* in *England*; and the said Gally made her Course for *New York*; took a *French* Prize in her Way, which was carried in with the same.

That the said Gally, some time after her Arrival at *New York*, sailed from thence to *Madera*; from *Madera* to *Bonavista* and *St. Jago*, where they took in Provisions, and steered for the *Cape De Bon Esperance*, but put not in there; but proceeded to *Madagascar* for Provisions, which they there took on board; then proceeded for an Island named *Joanna*; staid there about a Week, took on board some Water, and then went from thence to *Mohilla*; where the said Gally was laid on Shore, and cleaned; and then returned again to the said Island of *Joanna*; from whence the said Gally sailed to *Matta* in the *Red Sea*, and there watered; and then proceeded to a Place

called *Bobs Key*, to wait for Shipping: And, during the Time of their being there, the *Moca* Fleet passed by; but the said Gally did not endeavour to come up or speak with any of them, apprehending they were too strong; afterwards we spoke with a small Bark coming from the *Red Sea*, commanded by one *Parher*, out of which the Company belonging to the said Gally took about a Bushel of Pepper: Then the said Gally went into a Port called *Callacut*, where was an *English* Factory; remained there Four or Five Days, and then went a cruising upon that Coast; and some Time afterwards gave Chace to a Ship about 150 Tons Burden, and, after about Nine Hours Chace, came up with the same; then Captain *Kidd* ordered Two Shot to be fired at the same, to bring her to; whereupon she accordingly brought to; and the Master, being a *Dutchman*, called *Skipper John*, came on board: There was belonging to the said Ship Three *Dutchmen*, a Boy, and the rest *Moors*, between Twenty and Thirty in Number; the *Dutchmen*, and Two or Three *Moors*, were kept on board the said Gally, and the rest of the said *Moors* had the Long-boat given to them to go on Shore, being then about Two Leagues distant from the same: The said Ship was loaded with Cotton, and had Two Horses likewise on board the same; which Cotton and Horses, Captain *Kidd* and his Company sold to the Natives of the Country for Money and Gold; kept the said Ship with them, the Gally being leaky, and carried her to *Madagascar*: When the said Gally came up with the said Ship, the said Gally had abroad *French* Colours, and the Master of the said Ship brought on board a *French* Pass, having other Passes besides: The Time when the said Ship was taken, as above-mentioned, was about 13 or 14 Months since; about a Month or Five Weeks after which, the said Gally gave Chace to another Ship; and, having chased her about Four Hours, came up with the same, the said Gally having abroad *French* Colours, and the other Ship *Armenian*; which Ship was of the Burden of about 400 Tons, called the *Quedah Merchant*, and was commanded by one *Wright*, an *Englishman*; had on board the same, Two *Dutchmen*, who were Mates of the said Ship; and a *Frenchman*, who was a Gunner; Six or Eight *Armenians*; and the rest of the Company *Moors*, being about Ninety in Number; all which Captain *Kidd* sent on Shore in the Boats that came off from thence: The said Ship came from *Bengall*, bound for *Suratt*; was mounted with 16 or 18 Guns; the *French* Gunner of which brought on board the Gally a *French* Pass, and said, She was a good Prize to the *English*: The said Captain was loaded with Bale-goods, Sugar, Iron, and Saltpetre: Captain *Wright*, who commanded the said Ship, declared, She was in the Employment of the *English*; that the Lading belonged to them: And, about Four or Five Days after the said Ship was taken by the said Gally, Captain *Kidd* called the Company together, and proposed to them to return the said Ship to those from whom they had taken her, or sell her to them; and said, He would agree to any thing they should do therein, were it for the Value of a Piece of Eight: Said also to his Company, The taking of the said Ship would make a great Noise in *England*; and they should not know what to do with the Goods taken in the same: But the Company of the Gally agreed not to the said Captain *Kidd's* Proposal; but carried the said Ship into *St. Marie's*, off *Madagascar*, and there unloaded her, and shared: Whereupon each of the said Gally's Company, being then about 115 in Number, shared, one with another, Three Bales and some loose Goods, besides about Two Thirds of a Bale: And the said Captain *Kidd* had Forty Shares: The Bales contained Callicoes, Romalls, Muslins; some Silks, some striped, some flowered, and some plain. After sharing of the said Goods, Ninety and upwards, of the Company belonging to the said Gally, deserted the same, and went to the *Mocha* Frigate, then lying at *St. Marie's* aforesaid: And the said Captain *Kidd*, with the Men that remained with him, carried their Shares on board the said Prize Ship, called the *Quidah Merchant*; and run the said Gally on Shore; being



being very leaky; and, having stript her of her Furniture, set her on Fire to get her Iron work; and put all that they could save, of or belonging to the said Gally, on board the said Prize Ship; with which the said Captain Kidd, and the Men that remained with him, and some others that he had procured there, came from *St. Marie's* aforesaid, and arrived in some time afterwards at the Island of *Anguilla*, in the *West Indies*: Where being informed, That the said Kidd, and his Company, were proclaimed Pirates, the said Captain Kidd, and the Men on board with him, went with the said Ship to the Island of *St. Thomas*; but the Governor of the said Island would not allow the said Ship to come in there: Whereupon we sailed to *Mona*; and there met with one Mr. Boulton, of *Antegoa*, Merchant; of whom Captain Kidd bought the Sloop *Antonio*, in which he lately came to *Boston*; gave, as this Examinant was informed, 3,000 Pieces of Eight for the same; and took from out of the Prize Ship, into the said Sloop, Forty Bales of the Goods on board said Ship, and about Thirty Bags of Sugar; and left the said Ship at *Hispaniola*, about Six or Seven Weeks since, in the Custody of the said Mr. Boulton, and about 12 Men more: And the said Captain Kidd promised to return again to the said Ship, in the Space of Three Months; and the said Boulton promised to stay with the same for so long time: Which Ship the said Captain Kidd left lying in a River, in *Hispaniola* aforesaid, reckoned to be about Eighteen Leagues from *Mona*.

The Examinant further saith, That, after the said Gally had taken the Two Ships before-mentioned, She also, in her Passage to *St. Marie's* aforesaid, took a Bark or Ship, of the Burden of 180 Tons, with about Seventy Persons on board, navigated with *Portuguez*: She came from *Bengall*; was bound to *Goa*; and had on board Bengalls, Muslins, Calicoes, and other Things, which the Gally's Company began to plunder, and bring on board the Gally; but, seeing several Ships coming down towards them, the said Gally, with the other Two Prizes she had taken, came to sail, and left the said last Prize at a Place between *Brin John* and *Angingo*, so called being an *English* and *Dutch* Factory; and left on board the same all the Company belonging thereto, except the Master, Merchant, and Seven Men more, that came on board the Gally when she first took the said Ship: And the Vessel that was first taken by the said Gally, as before-mentioned, was, by the said Gally's Company, sunk at *St. Marie's* aforesaid, after they had brought her hither.

And the said William Jenkins the Examinant further saith, That whilst Captain Kidd, and his Company, lay with the said Ship *Quidah Merchant* at *Mona* aforesaid, one Burt, Merchant of *Curacao*, came to them in a Brigantine, and purchased several Goods of the said Captain Kidd; for which he paid Part in Money, and Part in Flour.

Further saith, That the first Place that the Sloop *Antonio* aforesaid touched at, after the said Captain Kidd, and his Company, left the said Ship at *Mona* aforesaid, was the *Horekills* in *Dellaware Bay*, where the said Sloop staid Two Days; and one James Gillam, a Passenger that came with the said Kidd from *Madagascar*, being one of the *Mocha* Frigate's Crew, sent his Chest on shore there, being a large Chest and heavy; which the Examinant supposeth to be full of *India* Goods, and was stowed in the said Sloop's Hold in her Passage from *Mona*: After the said Sloop had staid at the *Horekills* aforesaid about Two Days, she sailed to *Gardner's Island*, and anchored there; where Captain Kidd sent on shore Two Bales of Goods, Two Negro Boys, and a Negro Girl, and delivered them to Mr. Gardner; and were not brought on board the Sloop again, the Examinant remaining on board the same almost all the time; neither was any thing more carried on shore there, to this Examinant's Knowledge: And there was, in Company with the said Sloop under Captain Kidd's Command, a Sloop said to belong to *New York*, whereof one Hendrick a Dutchman, a young Man, was either Skipper, or one of the

Company; into which Sloop there was put about Two or more Bales, One of them being *Bengall* Silks, all belonging to one *Humphrey Clay*, and Four or more Chests belonging to said *Humphrey Clay*, *English Smith*, *Gabriel Luffe*, and *Martin Skinke*: This Examinant was informed, the said Sloop was bound on a trading Voyage to *Martha's Vineard*, with Rum, and Truckin Cloth; but, having received the said Bales and Chests on board, did not proceed to *Martha's Vineard*, but went back again for *New York*. The said Captain Kidd, and his Company, then proceeded with his Sloop to *Block Island*; and put nothing on shore there, only Two Guns about Two or Three hundred Weight apiece, which Captain Kidd gave to one Sands: Then the Sloop went to *Tarpolin Cove*, where One or more Bales of the Captain's were put on shore, and delivered to the Man that dwells there.

And the Examinant saith, That nothing that was put on shore at any of the Places aforesaid, was, to his Knowledge, received on board the said Sloop again; and that nothing was put on shore at any other Place, than what is before-mentioned.

The Examinant further saith, That Captain Kidd traded with Mr. Boulton and Mr. Burt aforesaid, for the Quantity of Twenty Bales of Goods or thereabouts, as he supposes; besides what those of his Company traded with them; Six of which, viz. *Michael Callaway*, *John Hales*, *John Brovender*, *Wm. Boyer*, *Neece a Dutchman*, and *Nouter a Dutchman*, went to *Curacao* in Burt's Brigantine; and one other, named *John Ware*, went thither also in a small Sloop.

Signed,  
William W. G. Jenkins.

*Boston*, 6 July 1699. Taken  
before his Excellency and  
Council.

Isa. Addington, Secretary.

The foregoing Examination of *Wm. Jenkins* being read unto *Richard Barlycorne*, aged about Eighteen Years, Apprentice to Captain *Wm. Kidd*;

He saith, That the same is true, as to the Substance thereof.

And further saith, That James Gillam carried Two Chests on shore at the *Horekills*, which were stowed in the Hold of the Sloop: After they came from the *Horekills*, they stopt at *Gardner's Island*; went from thence to *Oyster Bay*; there took in Mr. Emot of *New York*; and set him on shore on *Rhode Island*; in some Days afterwards, Mr. Emot returned to the Sloop again, as she lay off *Rhode Island*; then they went to *Gardner's Island*; who went from thence, in a Whale Boat, over to *Long Island*: And at *Gardner's Island*, Captain Kidd sent on shore there, Two Bales of Goods, a Box, and Two Negro Boys, and a Girl, committed to the Charge of Mr. Gardner. The Examinant also sent Two Bales of his own, and his Chest, on shore there; and Dick the Black, another Bale; and one Robert Avery, a Passenger, that came with them from *Madagascar*, went on shore there, and carried some Bundles of Muslin, Silks, and other Goods, of his own; and a Box about Three Foot long, and a Foot deep: Knows not what was in it: It was handed over the Sloop's Side. There was also a Sloop of *New York*, lying at *Gardner's Island*, into which there was put about the Quantity of 15 or 16 Bales of Goods, Whole and in Pieces; and about 9 or 10 Chests: Which Goods and Chests belonged to *Humphrey Clay*, *Gabriel Luffe*, *Samuel Wood*, Captain Davis a Passenger, *Martin Skink*, *John Arris*, and *English Smith*: The Sloop was full. From *Gardner's Island* we sailed to *Block Island*; and there took in Captain Kidd's Wife, and one Mr. Clark, of *New York*; and then stood towards *Gardner's Island* again, and met a *New York* Sloop bound home, and put Mr. Clark on board of her: And Captain Kidd put a Chest on board said Sloop: He knows not what was in it: John Arris put another Chest on board; and Wm. Jenkins, a Bale of Goods; and some other Bundles, that were made out of the Bales, were also put on board said Sloop; and all, as aforesaid, committed unto the said Mr. Clark: The

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Captain's Chest was hoisted out of the Hold. They stopt at *Tarpolin Cove*; and there put on shore One Bale, Two Barrels, and a Box of Goods, delivered unto the Man that dwells there: And, as they came over to *Nantinket Shoals*, they met a Sloop from the *Bay*, commanded by one Captain *Way*; which said *Way* came on board our Sloop; and, when he went off again;—in his Canoe, by Captain *Kidd's* Order, Two or Three Small Arms, a Pendulum Clock bought of Captain *Wright* Commander of the *Quidah Merchant*; a Pair of Stilliards, and a Bag about as big as the Crown of his Hat, sealed up; which the Examinant supposes to be Money.

Further the Examinant saith, That, when they came from *Hispaniola*, Captain *Kidd* told Mr. *Boulton*, whom he left in Charge of the Ship, That he would return to him again in a short time, after he had spoken with my Lord *Bellomont*; and that the *New York Sloop*, whereinto they put the Goods at *Gardner's Island* as aforesaid, was an open Sloop, manned with Two Men, named *Coster* and *Hendrick*: There was Three Bales of Goods, and Two Bags of Sugar, delivered out of the Sloop *Antonio* at *Boston*, unto Mr. *Duncan Campbell*. Saith, He knows not what Sum Captain *Kidd* paid for the Purchase of the Sloop.

Richard Barlycorn.

Boston, 8th July 1699. Taken before us

Elisha Cooke, } J. Pac.  
Isa. Addington, }

Boston, 8th July 1699.

The Two foregoing Relations of *Wm. Jenkins*, and *Richard Barlycorn*, being distinctly read over unto me *Robert Lamley*, Apprentice to *Abel Owen*, Cook of the *Adventure Gally*, Captain *William Kidd* Commander; and I, having been in the said Gally throughout her whole Voyage, and, since the Loss of her, in the Ship *Quidah Merchant*, and Sloop *Antonio*, do affirm and testify to the Truth of the said Relations, respectively, as to the Substance of the same, in the several Articles thereof.

Taken before us

Elisha Cooke, } Just. Pac.  
Isa. Addington, }

Copy examined per

Isa. Addington, Secretary.

N<sup>o</sup> XI. A Copy of the Narrative of *Wm. Cuthbert*, late Gunner of the Ship *Charles the 2d*, Captain *John Dorrell* Commander, of 60 Guns and Two Mortar Pieces, is as followeth: From the Lat. 27 Deg. 4. Delivered the 8th of July 1699.

That, coming out of the Gulf of *Persia*, in the Latitude of 22 Degrees and 30 Minutes North Lat. we saw a Ship to Windward of us; which bore down upon us, and stood athwart our Forefoot, and came within Gunshot of us: Upon which, I was commanded by our said Captain to place a Shot betwixt her Forefoot; and, upon the same, he clapt his Helm hard-a-weather, and bore away right before it: Whereupon we concluded it to be Captain *Kidd*, of whom we had heard, That he was in that Latitude; at which time, we judged ourselves Sixty Leagues distant from the Land: And, about Four Days after, we came to an Anchor at *Bombay*; where the General of all those Parts of the *Indies*, and *William Burnister*, who is the Second in Command, satisfied our Commander, That the Ship aforesaid which we saw was *Kidd*; and said, That, the other Day, the said *Kidd* was in *Curwarr*, one of the *East India Company* Factories, and watered there; at which time Two of *Kidd's* Men left him, because, as they said, he was going upon an ill Design of Piracy: Upon which the said Men were secured by the Chief in Command, named *Upton*, till they could be sent to the General at *Bombay*; who afterwards sent them on board our Ship, Captain *Dorrell* Commander, then bound for *England*, which was on *Saturday* the 29th January 1697, as Prisoners, to be examined before the Admiralty in *England*: Which was done: Who were found innocent, in that they had left *Kidd* in time, before he had committed Piracy; and so the said Men were cleared: But, before we went from *Bombay*, our said Captain was informed by

the General, That the said *Kidd* had taken a great Ship of the *Bantams*, and also took and kept the Mate of her, which was an *Englishman*: Upon which Depredations, it is usual for the Inhabitants of those Countries to take the *English* there, and secure them, and seize upon their Estates for Satisfaction; which if wanting, many Families, Men, Women, and Children, have perished in Prison: And, as we went home for *England*, with the said Two Men, that left *Kidd*, they told us, That he had made many Attempts upon Vessels, but could not prevail; and that he was very cruel to his Men, and abused them, especially such as did not adhere to those evil Practices; which was the Cause that they had left him, as aforesaid.

And further he saith, That as soon as we came with our said Captain *Dorrell*, with the said Ship upon those Coasts, which was \* \* \* \*, We heard, That one Captain *Edgcomb*, Commander of a Ship belonging to the Company, called the *Moquo Frigate*, about 360 Tons, was murdered by his Men, as he lay asleep on his Couch on board his Ship; and, it was reported, That it was one *Gillam*, that had turned *Moor*, and was circumcised, who was shipt on board the said *Edgcomb*, and One of those Twelve Men, whose Names are hereafter mentioned, who ran away with the said *Moquo Frigate*, after they had killed the said Captain *Edgcomb*; which said *Gillam* went by the Name of *Sampson Marshall* in the *Indies*.

The Names of the said Men are, *Sampson Marshall* alias *Gillam*, *Thomas Preston*, *Ralph Stout*, *Thomas Alcock*, *John Swan*, *Martin Neales*, *John Pernel*, *Joseph Pell*, *Richard Sims*, *William Burrell*, *Christian Peterson*, *Thomas Stevens*.

Moreover, when we came homeward-bound, about the \* \* \* \*, to the Cape *Bon Esperance*, we were informed by a *Dutchman*, That the *Moquo Frigate*, after she was run away with, boarded one Captain *Hine*, in the Ship *Dorrell*, which did properly belong to Our Captain *Dorrell*, and his Father in *London*, who had been in the Company's Service; but he blew them up, killed and wounded many of their Men, so that they were forced to leave him: But he, being much disabled by those Pirates, was fain to put into an Island called *Jabbee* to recruit; and so went for *Bombay*, to rebuild the Wastes of his Ship; and so for *England*, being there expected last *March*. Now, whether there be any of the above-named Men come into these Parts with Captain *Kidd*, as well as this *Gillam* at *Rhode Island*, who is vehemently to be suspected to be one, is to me unknown; but may be inquired into.

By me *Wm. Cuthbert*.

A true Copy.

*Bellomont*.

N<sup>o</sup> XII. Boston in *New England* 21st July 1699.

The Examination of *Samuel Wood*, Master of the Sloop *Antonio*.

Who saith,

That he being Master of the said Sloop *Antonio*, lately belonging to *Antony Montero*, *Abraham Redwood*, and *Henry Boulton*, of *Antegoa*, Merchants, and in their Employ on a Voyage from *Antegoa* to *Curacao* and *Royal de Hatch*, the said *Boulton* Supra-cargo, and returning from *Royal De Hatch* to *Curacao*, they there took in a small Quantity of Goods to trade for Hogs at *Port Rieco*, to carry with them to *Antegoa*; and sailed from *Curacao* towards *Port Rieco*; and, off the West End of the said Island of *Port Rieco*, they espied a large Ship: Some of the Company belonging to said Ship came, in a Canoe, on board the said Sloop; and desired the Examinant to stand for the said Ship, and to supply them with some Provisions: And, the said Sloop being then near to the Shore, the Examinant stood in to the same with his said Sloop, and took in betwixt 30 and 40 Hogs, and put them into the Ship's Boat, which afterwards came to the said Sloop, and sent them on board in her; Mr. *Boulton* his Supra-cargo going in the Boat before them: The Men that came on board the Sloop from the Ship informed, That she was commanded by Captain *Kidd*; and that the said Ship was a Prize, which the said *Kidd* had taken in the Seas of *India*: The said Mr. *Boulton*, in a few Hours time,

time, returned back again to the Sloop; and ordered the Examinant to make his Course back again to *Curacao*; which he accordingly did, leaving the said Ship lying off the Island *Mona*: And, when they arrived at *Curacao*, the said Mr. *Boulton* sent on board some Flour, a Cask of Bottle Ale, and some Cheeses, and a Cask of Bread; and then came on board himself: And the Examinant, by his Order, set Sail, with the said Sloop, for *Mona*; and, in Eight Days after their departure from thence, arrived there again; where they found said Captain *Kidd*'s Ship lying at Anchor; and they delivered on board her the aforesaid Provisions; and lay by the said Ship several Days expecting a Brigantine, whereof one Mr. *Burt* was Merchant, to come up from *Curacao*, with a further Supply: And, before the Brigantine arrived, the Ship was put from her Anchors, and forced away to Leeward, Mr. *Boulton* being on board, who ordered the Examinant to stay at *Mona* Three Days for the said Brigantine, and then to come away unto *Savona*, where he might expect to find the Ship: The Brigantine came by the End of Two Days; and, by this Examinant's Direction, went for *Savona*; and he followed the next Day, with his Sloop; and, meeting with a *Dutch* Sloop, received Directions from him; and went, in Company of the said Sloop, to *St. Catalena* upon *Hispaniola*; where they found the said Ship, and *Burt*'s Brigantine; where Mr. *Boulton* sold the Sloop to Captain *Kidd*, and received his Pay for the same in Bale Goods taken out of the said Ship, and put on board *Burt*'s Brigantine: After which, the Sloop was cleared of her Cask and Lumber, on board her; and took in to her, out of the said Ship, so many Bales and Chests as she could conveniently stow, besides Room for the Men to lodge; and some Bags of Sugar, and Iron-work, for Ballast: And then Mr. *Boulton* paid the Examinant and Company their Wages; and Ten of the Company continued on board the Ship with Mr. *Boulton*, to whose Charge she was committed; and some of the Men belonging to *Burt*'s Brigantine, and some out of the *Dutch* Sloop, to the Number of about Eighteen in the Whole, staid with Mr. *Boulton*, to look after the Ship until Captain *Kidd*'s Return, or for the Space of Three Months from the 16th Day of *May* last past: And said Captain *Kidd* left an Order with Mr. *Boulton* to dispose of the Goods, for Account of himself, and the Owners of the *Adventure Gally*: *Burt*'s Brigantine took in some Quantity of Goods out of the said Ship; so did also the *Dutch* Sloop aforesaid: And they left her at the same time, when this Examinant came away with his Sloop: The Brigantine, as the Examinant understood, was intended for *St. Thomas*'s; the *Dutch* Sloop, for *Curacao*: The Examinant made his Course for *New York*; and, breaking their Boom-iron, put into *Delaware Bay*, to get it mended; and, at the *Horekills*, they landed a Chest belonging to one *James Gillam*: From the *Horekills* they came round the East End of *Long Island*, and up the *Sound* into *Oyster Bay*; and from thence dispatched a Letter for *New York*; and, in a Day or Two afterwards, Mr. *Emot* came from *New York* to them, whom they took in; and stood for *Rhode Island*, and put him on shore there; and then stood off and on, for Two or Three Days, betwixt that and *Block Island*, and, at Mr. *Emot*'s Return, went for *Gardner's Island*, and landed said *Emot* there: And also, by Captain *Kidd*'s Order, there was 4 or 5 Bales of Goods, and Three young Negroes, put into a Whale Boat that came from said *Gardner's Island*, and the said Sloop's Boat; and several Chests and Bundles were put on board a *New York* Sloop that lay there, near unto the Examinant's Sloop; Two Guns were put on shore at *Block Island*; One Bale of Goods, and Two Barrels, with some small Bundles of Goods in them, were landed at *Tarpolin Cove*: Captain *Kidd* said, He would touch there at coming back, to take in his Bale again: And, by virtue of a written Order from Captain *Kidd*, directed to the Examinant after the Sloop's Arrival at *Boston*, to deliver to Mr. *Duncan Campbell* Two Bales of Goods, and Two Bags of Sugar, or what he should ask for; the Examinant delivered him Two Bales, and Two Bags of Sugar; and *Samuel Aris*, one of the

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Company, by Order from said *Kidd* in Writing, delivered Mr. *Campbell* another Bale. Kidd's Piracies.

The Examinant further saith, That, when the said Sloop was seized in *Boston*, this Examinant had in his Chest, of his own proper Money, 320 Pieces of  $\frac{1}{4}$ ; which he received for his Wages, and Adventure, in his Voyages made in the said Sloop, from *Philadelphia* to *Barbadoes*, twice forward and back; and from *Barbadoes* to *Curacao*, and thence to *Antegoa*; and from *Antegoa* to *Curacao* again, . . . *Real de Hatch*; and to the time of his Discharge at *Hispaniola*; also about Five Yards of Red Plush, and about 18 Yards of striped Stuff, and a Piece of Ossenbriggs, in the Sloop's Hold; and a Gun, and a Cotton Hammock, Two Quilts, Bedding, and Cloathing, on board the Sloop. Samuel Wood.

Taken, and sworn by the Examinant *Sam. Wood*, die predict. before us *Elisha Cooke*, } J. Pac. *Isa. Addington*.

Copy examined per *Isa. Addington*, Secretary.

*Boston*, July 8th, 1699.

N<sup>o</sup> XIII. The Examination of *Thomas Way*, of *Boston*, Mariner.

Saith,

That, coming lately from the Bay of *Compeach*, in the Sloop whereof he is Commander, upon the Shoals of *Nantucket* on *Friday* the 30th of June last, the Sloop whereof Captain *Kidd* was Commander, came up with him; and they hailed each other; and, being both bound in for *Boston*, sailed together in Company: And the Examinant, in his Canoe, with Two of his Ship's Company, went on board the said Captain *Kidd*'s Sloop; and Captain *Kidd* presented the Examinant with a Bit of a Bar of Gold; and, at his coming off again from the said Sloop, by Order of Captain *Kidd*, there was put into the Examinant's Canoe, Three Fire Arms, a Pair of Stilliards, a *Turkey* Carpet, a Clock, and a small Bundle, made up in a Napkin, or a Piece of Ossenbriggs, loosely fastened together; which, the said *Kidd* told the Examinant, was some of his Wife's Cloaths, and desired him to carry up for him; which he accordingly did: And Mrs. *Kidd* sent for the said Bundle, soon after their coming to *Boston*; which was delivered: The Clock, Carpet, and Stilliards, remain at the Examinant's House; the Arms are at the Gunsmiths: There was also delivered unto the Examinant, by the said *Kidd*, a Bag of coarse Canvas, sealed up (the Bag had Two Seals) about the Bigness of the Crown of his Hat; which, he said, contained Reals of Eight, that his Wife brought with her from *New York* to bear her Expences: And the Morning of the same Day that Captain *Kidd* was taken, he came to the Examinant's House with a Negro Boy, and fetched away the said Bag of Money: He judges it might weigh Six Pound Weight: There was Eight Pound more, in Pieces of Eight Reals, and *Arabian* Gold, delivered unto this Examinant by *Aires*, One of the said *Kidd*'s Company, to secure for him; and, this Morning, the said *Aires* sent a written Order, from the Prison, unto the Examinant, to deliver his Money to *George Riscarrick*; which he accordingly did, only Ten or a Dozen Double Reals still resting in the Examinant's Hand: His Piece of Gold he sold to Mr. *Dummer*, for 4l. odd Money. Thomas Way.

Taken the Day and Year within mentioned, before us

*Elisha Cooke*,  
*Isa. Addington*.

Copy examined per *Isa. Addington*, Secretary.

*Boston*, July 12th, 1699.

N<sup>o</sup> XIV. *Robert Livingstone* Esquire, being notified to appear before his Excellency, and Council, this Day, and sworn to give a true Narrative and Relation of his Knowledge, or Information, of any Goods, Gold, Silver, Bullion, or other Treasure, lately imported

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ported by Captain *William Kidd*, his Company, and Accomplices, or any of them, into this Province, or any other of his Majesty's Provinces, Colonies, or Territories, in *America*; and by them, or any of them, embezzled, concealed, conveyed away, or any ways disposed of; saith,

That, hearing Captain *Kidd* was come into these Parts, to apply himself unto his Excellency the Earl of *Bellomont*, the said Narrator came directly from *Albany*, the nearest Way through the Woods, to meet the said *Kidd* here, and to wait upon his Lordship; and, at his Arrival at *Boston*, Captain *Kidd* informed him, There was on board his Sloop, then in Port, Forty Bales of Goods and some Sugars: And also said, He had about Eighty Pound Weight in Plate. The Narrator does not remember, whether he said, That was on board the Sloop, or not.

And further; Said *Kidd* said, He had Forty Pound Weight in Gold; which he had hid, and secured, in some Place in the *Sound*, betwixt this and *New York*, not naming any particular Place; withal saying, Nobody could find it but himself; and that all the said Goods, Gold, Plate, and Sloop, was for Account of the Owners of the *Adventure Gally*, whereof this Narrator was One.

And further said, *Kidd*, upon further Discourse with the Narrator, acknowledged, That several Chests, and Bundles of Goods, belonging to the Men, were taken out of his Sloop betwixt this Place and *New York*, and put into other Sloops; saying, He was forced thereto; his Men would otherwise have run the Sloop on shore: And likewise acknowledged, That he had given Mr. *Duncan Campbell* 100 Pieces of  $\frac{1}{2}$ , when he was on board his Sloop at *Rhode Island*: And knows no further of any Concealment, Embezzlement, or Disposal, made by the said *Kidd*, his Company, or Accomplices, of any Goods, Gold, Money, or Treasure whatsoever; saving, That the said *Kidd* did Yesterday acknowledge to this Narrator, That the Gold before-mentioned was hid upon *Gardner's Island*: He believed, there was about Forty Pound Weight of it; and that, in the same Box with it, there was about 3 or 400 Pieces of  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and some Pieces of Plate, belonging to his Boy *Barlycorn*, and his Negro Man, which he had gotten by washing for the Men: Also the said *Kidd* gave this Narrator a Negro Boy; and another to Mr. *Duncan Campbell*.

*Robert Livingstone.*

Sworn before his Excellency and  
Council, *die prædict.* *Isa. Addington.*  
Copy examined per  
*Isa. Addington, Secr.*

*Boston, July 8th, 1699.*

N<sup>o</sup> XV. A Copy of the Examination of *Edward Davis*, of *London*, Mariner.

Saith, That, in or about the Month of *November* 1697, the Examinant came Boatswain of the Ship *Fidelia*, *Tempest Rogers* Commander, bound from *London* on a trading Voyage for *India*; and, in the Month of *July* following, arrived at the Island of *Madagascar*; and, after having been there about Five Weeks, the Ship sailed thence, and left this Examinant in the Island; and being desirous to get off, entered himself on board the Ship, whereof Captain *Kidd* was Commander, to work for his Passage; and accordingly came with him, in the said Ship to *Hispaniola*; and from thence, in the Sloop *Antonio*, to this Place: And that, upon their Arrival at the *Hoorkills* in *Delaware Bay* there was a Chest, belonging to one *James Gillam*, put on shore there; and, at *Gardner's Island*, there was several Chests and Packs put out of Captain *Kidd's* Sloop, into a Sloop belonging to *New York*: He knows not the Quantity, nor any thing sent on shore at the said Island; nor doth he know, that any thing was put on shore at any other Island, or Place, in this Country; only Two Guns, of 300 Weight apiece or thereabouts, at *Block Island*.

Signed

*Edward, E. D. Davis.*

Taken, *die prædict.* before us  
*Elisha Cook,*  
*Isa. Addington.*  
Examined per *Isa. Addington, Secretary.*

*Boston, July 12th, 1699.*

N<sup>o</sup> XVI. A Copy of the Affidavits of *Duncan Campbell*, and his Wife.

*Duncan Campbell*, of *Boston*, being notified to appear before his Excellency and Council this Day, and sworn to give a true Narrative and Relation of his Knowledge or Information, of any Goods, Gold, Silver, Bullion, or other Treasure, lately imported by Captain *Wm. Kidd*, his Company, and Accomplices, or any of them, into this Province, or any other of his Majesty's Provinces, Colonies, or Territories in *America*; and by them, or any of them, embezzled, concealed, conveyed away, or any ways disposed of: saith, upon his Oath,

That, at the time of his first going on board the said *Kidd's* Sloop, then being off *Block Island*, the said *Kidd* gave this Narrator Two speckled Handkerchiefs, about  $\frac{1}{4}$ ths of a Pound of Tea; and that said *Kidd* bought a Wig of him, for which he received Four Pistoles of Gold; and Four Pistoles more he received of him, for what Mr. *Emot* had laid out on the Road; which is all he had at that time: And, at the Second time of his going to said *Kidd*, he received of the said *Kidd* betwixt 90 and 100 Pieces of Eight, *New York* Money, which, he said, was his Wife's, towards his Charges and some Things he had bought for him: And said *Kidd* also gave him Three or Four Half-pieces of Muslin, and a Gold Chain for this Narrator's Wife, and Two Pieces of speckled Callico, about Four or Five Yards each; and also sent, by this Narrator, a Present to the Countess of *Bellomont*, an enamelled gilt Box, with Four Sparks or Stones therein set in Gold, One loose, and a Stone Ring; which at his Arrival at *Boston*, were shewn to one Mr. *Legarre*, a *French* Goldsmith; who said, They were in Value about 55*l.*: And the said *Kidd* also gave one *Hulin*, of *Rhode Island*, Master of the Sloop that transported this Narrator, Two several times, to and from the said Captain *Kidd's* Sloop, a Bale of coarse white Callicoes, for the Service of himself and Sloop; and Two or Three Pieces of Muslin, and about Half a Dozen Pound of Sugar; and also gave to Mr. *Meinzes*, who went on board the said *Kidd's* Sloop with this Narrator, Eight or Nine Pieces of *Arabian* Gold, as the said *Meinzes* informed.

And further the Narrator saith, That, after the said *Kidd's* Arrival, with his Sloop, at *Boston*, he gave the Narrator a Negro Boy, and a Cane for his Son *Matthew*; and gave another Negro Boy to Mr. *Robert Livingstone*: And, going on board the said *Kidd's* Sloop, with his Negro, to fetch his Bedding and Cloaths on shore, the said *Kidd* bade the Negro carry with him a Bag of Sugar, which was broken, to be used in the House; and he did so; and also Five *Holland* Cheeses, about 10 *lb.* Weight each: And One of the said *Kidd's* Company gave this Narrator's Son about 10 *lb.* Weight of white Sugar Candy: And, *Tuesday* the 4th Current, in the Evening, the Narrator, by Order of the said Captain *Kidd*, went on board his Sloop again, having an Order in Writing under the said *Kidd's* Hand, directed to *Wood* the Master, for Two Bales of Goods, and Two Bags of Sugar; which this Narrator received, and brought on shore, together with another Bale, which, one *Aires* of the Company said, was allotted to the Narrator for his Pains: And, in the Morning of the same Day, the said *Kidd* delivered to the Narrator a Green Silk Bag, sewed up, of about Four or Five Pound Weight of Bar Gold, to be presented unto the Countess of *Bellomont*, in his Name; which my Lady refusing to accept of, the Narrator returned again to the said *Kidd*: Two of the Bales afore-mentioned, and Part of the 3d Bale, which the Narrator had opened, the said Narrator has delivered unto the Gentlemen appointed by the Government to take into their Custody, and secure the Goods; the Remainder of the said broken Bale is in the Narrator's Keeping.

When the Narrator was on board the said *Kidd's* Sloop off *Block Island*, Captain *Kidd* gave him Two or Three Pieces of *Arabian* Gold, to drink with some Gentlemen in *Boston*; and Two of the Ship's Company gave him each a Pistole of Gold for himself.

Further the Narrator knows not of any Embezzlement, Concealment,

Concealment, or Disposal, in any way or manner, made by the said *Kidd*, or his Company, or Accomplices, or any of them, of Goods, Gold, Money, Bullion, or Treasure whatsoever; only adds, That the said *Kidd* and Company promised the Narrator to the Value of 500 l. if they had their Liberty.

*Duncan Campbell.*

Sworn before his Excellency and Council, *die prædict.*

*Susannah Campbell*, Wife of the within named *Duncan Campbell*, examined upon her Oath, saith,

That, excepting a Gold Chain, Three Pieces of Muslin, a Piece of *India* Silk, which her Husband delivered to her as a Present from Captain *Kidd*, she knows not of the Embezzlement, Concealment, Conveying away, or Disposal of any Goods, Gold, Money, or Treasure, imported into any of His Majesty's Territories, or Dominions, by Captain *William Kidd*, his Company and Accomplices, or any of them; nor that any such are lodged or secured, in her House.

12 July 1699.

Sworn in Council.

Examined per

*Isa. Addington*, Secretary.

*Boston*, 10th July 1699.

N<sup>o</sup> XVII. A Copy of the Examination of *Hugh Parrott*, of *Plymouth* in the County of *Devon*, Mariner,

Who saith, That at the Island of *Joanna*, he left the Vessel he then belonged to, and entered himself on board the *Adventure Gally*, Captain *William Kidd* Commander; and from thence we sailed to the *Red Sea*, and there cruised for Privateers and Pirates; but finding none, went upon the Coast of *India*, and, in our Cruise there, espied a Ship, which we gave Chace to, and came up with, being a Ship of near 200 Tons Burden, whereof a *Dutchman*, *Mich. Dicker*, was Master; and there were Two more *Dutchmen* on board; all the rest of the Company were *Moors*, being about Forty in Number in the Whole; and the said *Dutch* Master, being commanded on board the Gally, brought a *French* Pass, and, as the Examinant was informed, declared, That his Ship and Lading was lawful Prize; and accordingly was made Prize of by the said *Kidd* and Company: The *Dutch* Master remained in the Gally with the other Two *Dutchmen*, and took up Arms to serve under Captain *Kidd*; the *Moors* were set on Shore, being then not above Two Leagues distant from the same: The Examinant knows not what the Ship was laden with; only saw Two Horses sent on Shore from her. And in about Six Weeks Time afterward, they took another Ship of 400 Tons, or upwards, mounted with about 12 or 14 Guns, commanded by one Captain *Wright*, an *Englishman*; and there was also on board Two or Three *Dutchmen*; the rest of the Company were *Armenians* and *Moors*, to the Number of about Sixty or Seventy: The Ship came from *Bengall*, bound to *Persia*, as it was said; and that she belonged wholly to the *Moors*: She was laden with Bale Goods, containing Muslins, Silk striped and plain, and raw Silk, refined Sugar in Bags, Saltpetre, Iron in Junks, Guns, and Anchors: Captain *Wright* and other the Christians, with several of the *Armenians* and *Moors*, were speedily sent on Shore; some of them came to *Madagascar* in the Gally, and there left her: Said, Captain *Kidd* carried the said Prize Ship into *Madagascar*, *Geo. Bullen*, Chief Mate of the Gally, being put in to command the said Prize Ship; and when she arrived at *Madagascar*, they took out of her all the Bale Goods, and shared them among the Gally's Company, being about One hundred in Number, more or less; some had Three, others Four Bales to a Share; the Examinant had Four for his Share, which he sold at *Hispaniola*, to Mr. *Boulton* and Mr. *Burt*, for 400 Pieces of Eight, which was paid him down in Money; 200 Pieces of which he lost since by Gaming, on board the Sloop *Antonio*, that he came from *Hispaniola* in; the rest of his Money was stolen from him. They arrived in the said Sloop, first, at the *Horekills* in *Delaware Bay*; where they put out Two Chests, belonging to *James Gillam*, a Passenger, who also went on Shore there; which Chests, the Examin-

ant believes, were full of *India* Goods: From the *Horekills* they went to *Oyster Bay* on *Long Island*; and there took in Mr. *Emot* of *New York*, and carried him to *Rhode Island*, and set him on Shore there: Then went, with their said Sloop, to *Block Island*, and put on Shore Two Guns, delivered to Two Men that came from the Shore, and cruised betwixt *Block Island* and *Rhode Island* until Mr. *Emot*'s Return; and having taken him on board went to *Gardner's Island*, and there set him on Shore: And there was landed at the said Island, from out of the Sloop *Antonio*, some Goods and Chests; and also several Bales and Chests were put into another Sloop that lay at the said *Gardner's Island*, bound up the *Sound*: From *Gardner's Island* they sailed, with the Sloop *Antonio*, to *Block Island*; and there took up the Captain's Wife, and a Gentleman that accompanied her; and then stood to *Gardner's Island*; and there put the said Gentleman, which the Examinant thinks, was named *Clark*, into a Sloop bound up the *Sound*; into which Sloop there was also several Bales and Chests put, out of the Sloop *Antonio*, by Order of the said Captain *Kidd*: And then we came to *Tarpolin Cove*, where there was a Bale, and One or Two Barrels of Goods landed: And from thence we came over the Shoals, and there met a Sloop from *Campechea*, bound to *Boston*; the Master of which Sloop, in the Canoe belonging to her, came on board our Sloop; and at his going off there was put into the said Canoe a *Turkey-work* Carpet, Two or Three small Arms; which is all that the Examinant took Notice of.

The Examinant further saith, That at their sharing at *Madagascar*, Captain *Kidd* struck for, and received several Shares; knows not how many; there might be Forty. They stript the Gally at *Madagascar*, and burnt her to save her Iron-work; and also sunk their lesser Prize there. About Ninety of the said Gally's Company deserted at *Madagascar*. The greater Prize was called the *Quedah Merchant*; which they left in *Hispaniola*, under the Care of Mr. *Boulton*, and about Seventeen or Eighteen Men to assist; Captain *Kidd* promising to return to him in a short Time: The Examinant supposes there might be about 150 Bales of Goods remaining on board her, about Eighty or Ninety Tons of Sugar, the Salt-petre, Iron, Guns, and Anchors. Capt. *Kidd* traded with Messieurs *Boulton* and *Burt*, for a considerable Quantity of Goods taken out of the said *Quidah Merchant*, at and about *Hispaniola*.

*Hugh Parrott.*

Taken before us, *die prædict.*

*Elisha Cook,*

*Isa. Addington,*

J. Pac.

*Boston*, *New England*, July 25th 1699.

N<sup>o</sup> XVIII. A true Account of all such Goods, Silver, Jewels, and Merchandizes, late in the Possession of Captain *William Kidd*, which have been seized and secured by us underwritten, pursuant to an Order from his Excellency *Richard* Earl of *Bellmont*, Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over his Majesty's Provinces of the *Massachusetts-Bay*, &c. bearing Date July 7th, 1699; viz.

In Captain *Wm. Kidd*'s Box.

	Gold Ounces.	Silver Ounces.
One Bag qt. 57 Silver Bars - - -		357
One Bag qt. 79 Bars and Ps. Silver - -		442½
One Bag qt. 74 Bars Silver - - -		421
One enamelled Silver Box gilt, in which are Four Diamonds set in Gold Locketts.		
One Diamond loose, one long Diamond set in a Gold Ring.		

Found in Mr. *Duncan Campbell*'s House.

N <sup>o</sup> 1. One Bag qt. Gold - - -	58½	
2. One Bag qt. - - -	94	
3. One Handkerchief qt. - - -	50	
4. One Bag qt. - - -	103	
5. One Bag qt. - - -	38½	
6. One Bag Quantity - - -	19½	
7. One Bag qt. - - -		203
		Also,



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Also, 20 Dollars, One Half and One Quarter Ps. of Eight, Nine *English* Crowns, One small Bar of Silver, One small Lump of Silver, a small Chain, a small Bottle, a Coral Necklace, One Piece white and One Piece of chequered Silk.

In Captain *William Kidd's* Chest.

Two Silver Basons, Two Silver Candlesticks, One Silver Porringer, and some Things of Silver, Quantity - - }

Rubies small and great 67, Green Stones Two, One large Loadstone.

Landed from on board the Sloop *Antonio*, Captain *William Kidd*, late Commander, 57 Bags of Sugar.

17 Piece of Canvas.

38 Bales of Merchanture.

Received of Mr. *Duncan Campbell*,

Three Bales of Merchandize, whereof One he had opened, being much damnified by Water, qt.

85 Pieces of Silk, Rumalls, and Bengalls.

60 Pieces of Callicoes and Muslins.

Received the 17th Instant, of Mr. *John Gardner*,

N<sup>o</sup> 1. One Bag of Dust Gold, qt. - - 60½

2. One Bag coined Gold, - - - 11

And in it Silver, qt. - - - 124

3. One Parcel Dust Gold, qt. - - 24½

4. One Bag, qt. 3 Silver Rings, sundry precious Stones, 4½ Oz.

[One Bag unpolished Stones, qt. 12½ Ounces, One Ps. of Crystal and Bever Stone, Two Cornelian Rings, Two small Agats, Two Amethysts; all in the same Bag.\*]

5. One Bag Silver Buttons, and a Lamp, qt. - - - 29

6. One Bag broken Silver, qt. - - 173½

7. One Bag Gold Bars, qt. - - 353½

8. One Bag Gold Bars, qt. - - 238½

9. One Bag Dust Gold, qt. - - 59½

10. One Bag Silver Bars, qt. - - 212

11. One Bag Silver Bars, qt. - - 309

The Whole of the Gold above mentioned is 1,111 Ounces, Troy Weight.

The Silver is 2,353 Ounces.

The Jewels or precious Stones, weighed, are 17 Ounces ¾ of an Ounce; and 69 Stones by Tale.

The Sugar is contained in 57 Bags.

The Merchandize is contained in 41 Bales.

The Canvas is 17 Pieces.

*Sam. Sewall, Jer. Dumer,*  
*Nathanael Byfield, Laur. Hammond, D. Coll.*  
*Andr. Belcher.*

N<sup>o</sup> XIX. A Copy of the Narrative of *John Gardner* of *Gardner's Island*, alias *Isle of Wight*, relating to Captain *William Kidd*.

That, about Twenty Days ago, Mr. *Emot* of *New York* came to the Narrator's House, and desired a Boat to go for *New York*; telling the Narrator he came from my Lord at *Boston*: Whereupon the Narrator furnished the said *Emot* with a Boat; and he went for *New York*: And that Evening the Narrator saw a Sloop with Six Guns riding at an Anchor off *Gardner's Island*: And Two Days afterwards, in the Evening, the Narrator went aboard the said Sloop to inquire what she was; and, so soon as he came on board, Captain *Kidd*, then unknown to the Narrator, asked him how himself and Family did; telling him, That he, the said *Kidd*, was going to my Lord at *Boston*; and desired the Narrator to take Three Negroes, Two Boys and a Girl, ashore, to keep till he, the said *Kidd*, or his Order, should call for them; which the Narrator accordingly did: That, about Two Hours after the Narrator had got the said Negroes ashore, Captain *Kidd* sent his Boat ashore with Two Bales of Goods and a Negro Boy: And the Morning after, the

said *Kidd* desired the Narrator to come immediately on board, and bring Six Sheep with him, for his the said *Kidd's* Voyage to *Boston*; which the Narrator did; when *Kidd* asked him to spare a Barrel of Cyder; which the Narrator, with great Importunity, consented to; and sent Two of his Men for it, who brought the Cyder on board the said Sloop: But whilst the Men were gone for the Cyder, Captain *Kidd* offered the Narrator several Pieces of damnified Muslins and Bengalls, as a Present to his Wife; which the said *Kidd* put in a Bag, and gave the Narrator; and about a Quarter of an Hour afterwards, the said *Kidd* took up Two or Three Pieces of damnified Muslin, and gave the Narrator for his proper Use: And the Narrator's Men then coming on board with the said Barrel of Cyder, as aforesaid, the said *Kidd* gave them Four Pieces of *Arabian* Gold for their Trouble and also for bringing him Wood: Then the said *Kidd*, ready to sail, told this Narrator he would pay for his Cyder; to which the Narrator answered, That he was already satisfied for it by the Present to his Wife. And this Narrator observed, That some of *Kidd's* Men gave to the Narrator's Men some inconsiderable Things of small Value, which, this Narrator believes, were Muslins for Neckcloths: And then the Narrator took Leave of the said *Kidd*, and went ashore; and, at parting, the said *Kidd* fired Four Guns, and stood for *Block Island*.

About Three Days afterwards, the said *Kidd* sent the Master of the Sloop and one *Clark*, in his Boat, for the Narrator, who went on board with them: And the said *Kidd* desired this Narrator to take on Shore with him, and keep for him, the said *Kidd*, and Order, a Chest, and a Box of Gold, and a Bundle of Quilts, and Four Bales of Goods; which Box of Gold, the said *Kidd* told the Narrator, was intended for my Lord; and the Narrator complied with the said *Kidd's* Request, and took on Shore the said Chest, Box of Gold, Quilts, and Bales of Goods.

And the Narrator further saith, That Two of *Kidd's* Crew, who went by the Names of *Cook* and *Parrat*, delivered to him, the Narrator, Two Bags of Silver; which, they told the Narrator, weighed Thirty Pound Weight; for which he gave Receipt: And that another of *Kidd's* Men delivered to the Narrator a small Bundle of Gold, and Gold Dust, of about a Pound Weight, to keep for him; and did also present the Narrator with a Sash, and a Pair of Worsted Stockings: And just before the Sloop sailed, Captain *Kidd* presented the Narrator with a Bag of Sugar; and then took Leave, and sailed for *Boston*.

And the Narrator further saith, He knew nothing of *Kidd's* being proclaimed a Pirate; and if he had, he durst not have acted otherwise than he has done, having no Force to oppose them; and for that he hath formerly been threatened to be killed by Privateers, if he should carry unkindly to them.

*John Gardiner.*

The within-named Narrator further saith, That whilst Captain *Kidd* lay with his Sloop at *Gardner's Island*, there was a *New York* Sloop, whereof one *Coster* is Master and his Mate is a little black Man, unknown to the Narrator by Name; who, as it was said, had been formerly Captain *Kidd's* Quarter-master; and another Sloop belonging to *New York*, *Jacob Fenick* Master; both which lay near to *Kidd's* Sloop Three Days together: And whilst the Narrator was on board with Captain *Kidd*, there was several Bales of Goods, and other Things, put out of the said *Kidd's* Sloop, and put on board the other Two Sloops aforesaid; and the said Two Sloops sailed up the *Sound*: After which *Kidd* sailed with his Sloop for *Block Island*; and being absent for the Space of Three Days, returned to *Gardner's Island* again, in Company of another Sloop belonging to *New York*, *Cornelius Quick* Master; on board of which was one *Thomas Clark* of *Setanket*, commonly called *Whisking Clark*, and one *Harrison* of *Jamaica*, Father to a Boy that was with Captain *Kidd*; and Captain *Kidd's* Wife was then on board his own Sloop: And *Quick* remained with his Sloop there from Noon till the Evening of the same Day, and took on board Two Chests, that came out of the said *Kidd's* Sloop, under the Observance of this Narrator; and, he believes, several

\* This Paragraph is omitted in the Journal; and is supplied from the original Account, which was laid before the House.



several Goods more; and they sailed up the Sound: Kidd remained there with his Sloop next Morning, and then set sail; intending, as he said, for Boston.

Further the Narrator saith, That the next Day after Quick sailed with his Sloop from Gardner's Island, he saw him turning out of a Bay called Oyster-pan Bay, although the Wind was all the Time fair to carry him up to the Sound: The Narrator supposes he went thither to land some Goods.

John Gardiner.

Boston, July 1699.

The Narrator, John Gardner, made Oath, before his Excellency and Council, unto the Truth of this Narrative contained in this Sheet of Paper.

Isa. Addington, Secretary.

N° XX. An Inventory of the Sloop Antonio, Captain Wm. Kidd the late Commander; with the Account of the Stores and Provisions appraised with said Sloop. The Particulars are as follow; viz.

The Hull of the said Sloop, about 55 Tons, Main-mast, Boltsprit, and Boom; Two Anchors, qt. about Six hundred Weight.

One Piece of Cable, about 50 Fathom, Eight Inches; unserviceable.

One Ditto, about 60 Fathom, 6 ½ Inches; worn.

Standing and Running Rigging; old and unserviceable.

Four great Guns, 20 Hundred; Carriages, Shot, and Materials for them; a Parcel of old Iron, about Eight hundred Weight.

One small Copper Kettle, Two Iron Pots, and Cook's Store.

Four Iron-bound Butts and Two Hogsheads, for Water.

Ten small Brass Bases, and Eight small Arms, &c.

A Parcel of Gunpowder in an Earthen Jar and Two Casks, about Two hundred.

Three old Compasses, One Azimuth Compass, and Three old Glasses; a Parcel of old Colours, Dutch and English, and a small Parcel of Bunting; Two Bundles of Twine, and a Parcel of broken ditto; Half a Barrel of Tar.

One Mainsail, Foresail, and Jib, with a Parcel of other small Sails.

One old Boat, and a Parcel of Oars for the Vessel.

Five Casks, and old Flour.

A Parcel of Wax and Candles, about One hundred Weight.

A Parcel of old jerk'd Meat, little worth.

Boston, July 24th 1699.

By Order of his Excellency Richard Earl of Bellomont, Governor and Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Province of the Massachusetts Bay, &c. We, the Subscribers, have viewed the above-named Sloop Antonio, and the Particulars above-mentioned; and, according to the best of our Judgment, value the same at 268*l.* current Money of Boston in New-England. Witness our Hands.

Sam Legg,  
Nath. Cary.

A true Copy. Bellomont.

N° XXI. A Copy of Captain Kidd's Note of Goods left with Mr. Gardner.

Mark WS. To a Bale of Silk Muslin.

WR. To a small Bale of Quilts.  
To a Chest of fine Goods.

N° 3.m. DR. To a small Bale marked.

ID. To a small Bale, Mr.

RB. To a Bale of Muslin, the Boy Barlicorn.

RW. To a Bale of Muslin of R. IV.

To a Box of 52*l.* of Gold and Plate.

Boston, July 17th 1699.

Mr. John Gardner, of Gardner's Island, presented this Note unto his Excellency in Council, which he made Oath was delivered unto him by Captain Kidd, and was wrote with the said Kidd's own Hand, on board his Sloop; and all the Particulars therein mentioned were committed to his Custody.

Examined per Isa. Addington, Secretary.

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N° XXII. A Copy of a Narrative of the Voyage of Kidd's Captain William Kidd, Commander of the Adventure Piracies. Gally, from London to the East Indies.

That the Journal of the said Captain Kidd, being violently taken from him in the Port of St. Marie's in Madagascar, and his Life being many times threatened to be taken away from him by Ninety-seven of his Men that deserted him there, he cannot give that exact Account he otherwise could have done; but, as far as his Memory will serve, is as followeth; viz.

That the said Adventure Gally was launched in Castle's Yard at Deptford, about the Fourth of December 1695; and about the latter End of February, the said Gally came to the Buoy in the Nore; and about the 1st Day of March following, his Men were pressed from him for the Fleet; which caused him to stay there for Nineteen Days; and then he sailed for the Downes, and arrived there about the Eighth or the Tenth Day of April 1696; and sailed thence for Plymouth; and, on the Twenty-third Day of the said Month of April he sailed on his intended Voyage; and, some Time in the Month of May, met with a small French Vessel, with Salt and Fishing Tackle on board, bound for Newfoundland, which he took and made Prize of, and carried the same into New York, about the Fourth Day of July, where she was condemned as lawful Prize: The Produce whereof purchased Provisions for the said Gally, for her further intended Voyage.

That about the Sixth Day of September 1696, the said Captain Kidd sailed for the Madcras, in Company with one Joyner, Master of a Brigantine belonging to Bermudas, and arrived there about the 8th Day of October following; and thence to Bonavista, where they arrived about the Nineteenth of the said Month, and took in some Salt, and stayed Three or Four Days; and sailed thence to St. Jago, and arrived there the Twenty-fourth of the said Month, where he took in some Water, and stayed about Eight or Nine Days; and thence sailed for the Cape of Good Hope; and, in the Latitude of Thirty-two, on the Twelfth Day of December 1696, met with Four English Men of War: Captain Warren was Commodore; and sailed a Week in their Company; and then parted, and sailed to Telere, a Port in the Island of Madagascar, and, being there about the Twenty-ninth Day of January, came in a Sloop belonging to Barbadoes, loaded with Rum, Sugar, Powder, and Shot, one French, Master, and Mr. Hatton, and Mr. John Batt, Merchants; and the said Hatton came on board the said Gally, and was suddenly taken ill, and died in the Cabin: And, about the latter End of February, sailed for the Island of Johanna, the said Sloop keeping Company, and arrived there about the Eighteenth Day of March; where he found Four East India Merchantmen outward bound; and watered there all together, and staid about Four Days: And from thence, about the Twenty-second of March, sailed for Mehila, an Island Ten Leagues distant from Johanna, where he arrived the next Morning, and there careened the said Gally; and about Fifty Men died there in a Week's Time.

That, on the 25th Day of April 1697, set sail for the Coast of India, and came upon the Coast of Mullabar, in the Beginning of the Month of September; and went into Carwarr upon that Coast about the Middle of the same Month, and watered there: And the Gentlemen of the English Factory gave the Narrator an Account, That the Portuguese were fitting out Two Men of War to take him; and advised him to put out to Sea, and to take Care of himself from them, and immediately to set sail thereupon; . . . . about the 12th of the said Month of September; and the next Morning, about Break of Day, saw the said Two Men of War standing for the said Gally; and spoke with him; and asked him, Whence he was? Who replied, From London; and they returned Answer, From Goa; and so parted, wishing each other a good Voyage: And making still along the Coast, the Commodore of the said Man of War kept dogging the said Gally all the Night, waiting an Opportunity to board her; and in the Morning, without speaking a Word, fired Six great Guns at the Gally, some whereof went through her, and wounded

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wounded Four of his Men; and thereupon he fired upon him again; and the Fight continued all Day; and the Narrator had Eleven Men wounded: The other *Portuguese* Man of War lay some Distance off, and could not come up with the Gally, being calm; else would have likewise assaulted the same: The said Fight was sharp, and the said *Portuguese* left the said Gally with such Satisfaction, that the Narrator believes no *Portuguese* will ever attack the King's Colours again, in that Part of the World especially: And afterwards continued upon the said Coast, cruising upon the Coast of *Cameroone*, for Pirates that frequent that Coast, till the Beginning of the Month of November 1697; when he met with Captain *How* in the *Loyal Captaine*, an *English* Ship belonging to *Maderas*, bound to *Surat*, whom he examined; and, finding his Pass good, designed freely to let her pass about her Affairs; but, having Two *Dutchmen* on board, they told the Narrator's Men, That they had divers *Greeks* and *Armenians* on board, who had divers precious Stones and divers other rich Goods on board, which caused his Men to be very mutinous, and got up their Arms, and swore they would take the Ship; and Two-thirds of his Men voted for the same: The Narrator told them, The small Arms belonged to the Gally, and that he was not come to take any *Englishman*, or lawful Traders; and that, if they attempted any such thing, they should never come on board the Gally again, nor have the Boat, or small Arms, for he had no Commission to take any but the King's Enemies, and Pirates; and that he would attack them with the Gally, and drive them into *Bombay*; the other being a Merchantman, and having no Guns, might easily have done it with a few Hands; and, with all the Arguments and Menaces he could use, could scarce restrain them from their unlawful Design; but at last I prevailed, and with much ado I got him clear, and let him go about his Business. All which the said Captain *How* will attest, if living.

And that, about the 18th or 19th Day of the said Month of November, met with a *Moors* ship of about 200 Tons, coming from *Surat*, bound to the Coast of *Mallabar*, loaded with Two Horses, Sugar, and Cotton, to trade there, having about Forty *Moors* on board, with a *Dutch* Pilot, Boatswain, and Gunner; which said Ship the Narrator hailed, and commanded on board; and with him came Eight or Nine *Moors*, and the said Three *Dutchmen*, who declared it was a *Moors* Ship; and demanding their pass from *Surat*, which they shewed; and the same was a *French* Pass, which he believes was shewed by a Mistake; for the Pilot swore Sacrament she was a Prize, and staid on board the Gally; and would not return on board the *Moor* Ship; but went in the Gally to the Port of *St. Marie's*.

And that, about the First Day of February following, upon the same Coast, under *French* Colours, with a Design to decoy, met with a *Bengall* Merchantman belonging to *Surat*, of the Burden of 4 or 500 Tons, 10 Guns; and he commanded the Master on board; and a *Frenchman*, Inhabitant of *Surat*, and belonging to the *French* Factory there, and Gunner of the said Ship, came on board as Master; and, when he came on board, the Narrator caused the *English* Colours to be hoisted; and the said Master was surprised, and said, You are all *English*; and asking, which was the Captain? Whom, when he saw, said, Here is a good Prize, and delivered him the *French* Pass.

And that, with the said Two Prizes, sailed for the Port of *St. Marie's* in *Madagascar*; and, sailing thither, the said Gally was so leaky, that they feared she would have sunk every hour, and it required Eight Men every Two Glasses, to keep her free; and was forced to woad her round with Cables to keep her together; and with much ado carried her into the said Port of *St. Marie's*; where they arrived about the First Day of April 1698: And, about the 6th Day of May, the lesser Prize was haled into the careening Island or Key, the other not being arrived; and ransacked and sunk by the mutinous Men; who threatened the Narrator, and the Men that would not

join with them, to burn and sink the other, that they might not go Home and tell the News.

And that, when he arrived in the said Port, there was a Pirate Ship, called the *Moca* Frigate, at an Anchor, *Robert Culliford* Commander thereof; who, with his Men, left the same at his coming in, and ran into the Woods: And the Narrator proposed to his Men to take the same, having sufficient Power and Authority so to do; but the mutinous Crew told him, If he offered the same, they would rather fire Two Guns into him, than One into the other; and thereupon Ninety-seven deserted, and went into the *Moca* Frigate, and sent into the Woods for the said Pirates; and brought the said *Culliford*, and his Men, on board again; and all the Time she staid in the said Port, which was for the Space of Four or Five Days, the said Deserters, sometimes in great Numbers, came on board the said Gally and *Adventure Prize*, and carried away great Guns, Powder, Shot, small Arms, Sails, Anchors, Cables, Surgeons Chest, and what else they pleased; and threatened several times to murder the Narrator, as he was informed, and advised to take Care of himself; which they designed in the Night to effect; but was prevented by his locking himself in his Cabin at Night, and securing himself with barricading the same with Bales of Goods; and, having about Forty small Arms, besides Pistols, ready charged, kept them out: Their Wickedness was so great, after they had plundered and ransacked sufficiently, went Four Miles off to one *Edward Welche's* House, where his the Narrator's Chest was lodged, and broke it open; and took out Ten Ounces of Gold, 40 Pound of Plate, 370 Pieces of Eight, the Narrator's Journal, and a great many Papers, that belonged to him, and the People of *New York* that fitted them out.

That, about the 15th of June the *Moca* Frigate went away, being manned with about 130 Men, and Forty Guns, bound out to take all Nations: Then it was that the Narrator was left only with Thirteen Men; so that the *Moors* he had to pump and keep the *Adventure Gally* above Water, being carried away, she sunk in the Harbour; and the Narrator, with the said Thirteen Men, went on board of the *Adventure Prize*; where he was forced to stay Five Months for a fair Wind: In the mean Time, some Passengers presented, that were bound for these Parts; which he took on board, to help to bring the said *Adventure Prize* Home.

That, about the Beginning of April 1699, the Narrator arrived at *Anguilla* in the *West Indies*, and sent his Boat on Shore; where his Men had the News, That he and his People were proclaimed Pirates; which put them into such a Consternation, that they sought all Opportunities to run the Ship on Shore upon some Reef or Shoal, fearing the Narrator should carry them into some *English* Port.

From *Anguilla* they came to *St. Thomas*; where his Brother-in-law, *Samuel Bradley*, was put on Shore, being sick; and Five more went away, and deserted him: Where he heard the same News, That the Narrator, and his Company, were proclaimed Pirates, which incensed the People more and more.

From *St. Thomas* set sail for *Moona*, an Island between *Hispaniola* and *Porto Rico*; where they met with a Sloop called the *St. Anthony*, bound for *Antegua* from *Curaso*, Mr. *Wm. Boulton* Merchant, and *Samuel Wood* Master: The Men on board then swore, they would bring the Ship no further: The Narrator then sent the said Sloop *St. Anthony* for *Curaso*, for Canvas to make Sails for the Prize, she being not able to proceed; and she returned in Ten Days; and after the Canvas came, he could not persuade the Men to carry her for *New England*; but Six of them went and carried their Chests and Things on board of Two *Dutch* Sloops, bound for *Curaso*; and would not so much as heel the Vessel, or do any thing; the Remainder of the Men not being able to bring the *Adventure Prize* to *Boston*, the Narrator secured her in a good safe Harbour in some Part of *Hispaniola*; and left in the Possession of Mr. *Henry Boulton* of *Antegua*, Merchant,

chant, the Maker, Three of the old Men, and Fifteen or Sixteen of the Men that belonged to the said Sloop *St. Anthony*, and a Brigantine belonging to one Mr. *Burt* of *Curaso*.

That the Narrator bought the said Sloop *St. Anthony* of Mr. *Boulton*, for the Owners Account; and after, he had given Directions to the said *Boulton* to be careful of the said Ship and Lading, and persuaded him to stay Three Months till he returned; and then made the best of his Way to *New York*; where he heard the Earl of *Bellomont* was, who was principally concerned in the *Adventure Gally*; and hearing his Lordship was at *Boston*, came thither; and has been now 45 Days from the said Ship.

Wm. Kidd.

Boston, 7th July 1699.

Further the Narrator saith, That the said Ship was left at *St. Catharina*, on the South-east Part of *Hispaniola*, about Three Leagues to Leeward of the Westerly End of *Savona*. Whilst he lay at *Hispaniola*, he traded with Mr. *Henry Boulton* of *Antegua*, and Mr. *Wm. Burt* of *Curaso*, Merchants, to the Value of 11,200 Pieces of Eight; whereof he received the Sloop *Antonio* at 3,000 Pieces of Eight, and 4,200 Pieces of Eight by Bills of Exchange, drawn by *Boulton* and *Burt* upon Messieurs *Gabriel* and *Lemont*, Merchants in *Curaso*, made payable to Mr. *Burt*, who went himself to *Curaso*; and the Value of 4,000 Pieces of Eight more in Dust and Bar Gold; which Gold, with some more traded for at *Madagascar*, being Fifty Pounds Weight, or upwards, in Quantity, the Narrator left in Custody of Mr. *Gardner* of *Gardner's Island*, near the Eastern End of *Long Island*, fearing to bring it about by Sea: It is made up in a Bag put into a little Box, locked, and nailed, corded about, and sealed. Saith, He took no Receipt for it of Mr. *Gardner*.

The Gold that was seized at Mr. *Campbell's*, the Narrator traded for at *Madagascar*, with what came out of the Gally.

Saith, That he carried in the *Adventure Gally*, from *New York*, 154 Men; Seventy whereof came out of *England* with him. Some of his Sloop's Company put Two Bales of Goods on shore at *Gardiner's Island*, being their own proper Goods: The Narrator delivered a Chest of Goods, viz. Muslins, Latches, Romalls, and flowered Silk, unto Mr. *Gardiner* of *Gardiner's Island* aforesaid, to be kept there for the Narrator: Put no Goods on shore any where else: Several of his Company landed their Chests, and other Goods, at several Places.

Further saith, He delivered a small Bale of coarse Calicoes unto a Sloop Man of *Rhode Island*, that he had employed there. The Gold seized at Mr. *Campbell's* the Narrator intended for Presents to some, that he expected to do him Kindnesses. Some of his Company put their Chests and Bales on board a *New York* Sloop lying at *Gardiner's Island*.

Wm. Kidd.

Presented and taken, *die prædict.* before his Excellency and Council.

Council examined per  
Isa. Addington, Secretary.

N° XXIII. A Copy of the Examination of Captain Wm. Kidd.

Boston in *New-England*, Monday, 3d July 1699.

Captain Wm. Kidd, by Command of his Excellency the Earl of *Bellomont*, having been notified and required to attend his Lordship in Council, at Six a Clock this Evening, at his Lordship's House, to give an Account of his Proceedings in his late Voyage to *Madagascar*, and Parts adjacent, and other Places, since his last Departure from *England* in the *Adventure Gally*, with his Majesty's Royal Commission;

The said Wm. Kidd appeared accordingly, to the Summons served upon him, as above.

And, being demanded an Account of his proceedings, as above; he answered, That his Journal was destroyed,

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and made away, by his Company; but if his Excellency Kidd's would please to grant him time for the same, he would Piracies. prepare, and present his Lordship with, a Narrative thereof in Writing.

Being further demanded an Account of his Lading on board his Sloop now lying within this Port, and on board the Ship which he said he left at *Hispaniola*; saith, There is on board the Sloop; viz.

Forty Bales, containing Calicoes, Silk, Muslins striped and plain.

Five or Six Tons of refined Sugar, contained in Bags.

About 40 lb. Weight in Dust and Bar Gold.

About 80 lb. Weight in Bar Silver.

All which, he saith, he purchased at *Madagascar*, with the Powder, Small Arms, and other Furniture, belonging to the *Adventure Gally*, whereof he was late Commander.

And further saith, That, about Forty-two or Three Days since, he left a Ship on the South Side of *Hispaniola* in the Possession of *Henry Boulton* of *Antegua*, Merchant, and about Twenty-two Men; which Ship he brought last from *Madagascar*: And that there is on board the same the several Goods following; viz.

About One hundred and Fifty Bales.

Seventy or Eighty Tons of Sugar.

About Ten Tons of Iron in short Junks.

About Fourteen or Fifteen Anchors.

Forty Tons of Saltpetre.

About Twenty Guns in the Hold.

Thirty Guns mounted, being the Guns lately belonging to the *Adventure Gally*.

There is no Gold or Silver on board, that he knows of.

Saith, He never romaged her.

The Ship is about 400 Tons in Burden, built at *Surrat* by the *Moors*: All her Seams are rabbetted.

Wm. Kidd.

*Die prædict.* the foregoing Examination of Captain Kidd was taken before his Excellency and Council.

Examined per

Isa. Addington, Secretary.

N° XXIV. The Depositions of *Abel Owen* Mariner, of full Age, late Cook of the *Adventure Gally*. Captain Wm. Kidd Commander; and *Samuel Arris* Mariner, late Steward of the same Ship, of full Age; Depose and testify, as followeth; viz.

That the said Ship was launched at *Deptford*, at *Castle's* Yard, about the 4th Day of December 1695; And that the said Ship came to the *Buoy* and *Nore* about the latter end of February; and about the First Day of March the Men were pressed from on board the said Gally for the Fleet; and she was staid about Nineteen Days, and then sailed for the *Doxes*; and, about the Eighth or Tenth Day of April, arrived there; and thence sailed for *Plymouth*; and, on the 23d Day of the Month of April 1696, the said Ship sailed from *Plymouth*; and sometime in the Month of May, met with a small *French* Vessel, bound for *Newfoundland*, which they took, and made Prize of, and carried the same into *New York* about the 4th Day of July following; and the same was condemned there as lawful Prize: And that, about the 6th Day of September then also following, the said Gally sailed for the *Maderas*; and thence to *Bonavista*; thence to *St. Jago*; thence to *Telere*, and the Island of *Madagascar*; thence to *Johanna*; thence to *Mehila*, where they buried about Fifty of their Men in the Month of May 1697; and thence sailed upon the Coast of *India*; and, returning back to *St. Marie's*, the Ship was all along so leaky, that they feared she would have sunk every Hour; and that it required Eight Men, every Two Glasses, to keep her free; and were forced to woold her round with Cables, to keep her together; and, with much ado, kept her above Water, and carried her into the said Port of *St. Marie's*.

And that they took Two Vessels, which they carried into the said Port; and the Men, which afterwards deserted

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serted the Gally, sunk one of them there; and threatened the Captain, and these Deponents, and others, now arrived here, to sink the other, that they might not go thence to tell News: And that about Ninety of the said Gally's Crew deserted the same there; and that the said Gally proved so insufficient and leaky, that she possibly could not be repaired; and sunk at an Anchor in the said Port.

And these Deponents further testify, That there was in the said Port a Pirate called the *Mocha* Frigate: And the said Captain *Kidd* proposed to his Men to take the same, having sufficient Power so to do; but the said Deserters, then being on board, told the said Captain *Kidd*, That, if he offered the same, they would fire Two Guns into him, rather than One into the other; and immediately deserted the said Gally, and went on board the *Mocha* Frigate.

And these Deponents also further depose, That with what Guns, Powder, and Sails, the said Captain *Kidd* could save out of the said Gally, from the Violence of the said Deserters, he purchased, at least, between Thirty and Forty Bales of Goods, which he has brought in the Sloop *St. Antonio* into this Port, for the Use of the Owners of the said Gally.

His  
Abel O Owen,  
Mark.  
Samuel Arris.

*English Smith*, and *Humphry Clay*, Mariners, of full Age, lately belonging to the said *Adventure Gally*, testify, That they sailed in the same from *New York* on the time before specified; and testify to the Truth of the above-written Deposition from that time: And that the Goods, now on board the said Sloop *St. Antonio*, were purchased, as aforesaid, for the Use of the Owners of the said Gally.

*English Smith*,  
*Humphry Clay*.

*Hugh Parratt* Mariner, of a full Age, also deposeth, That he went on board the said Gally at *Johanna*; and testifies to the Truth of the before-written Deposition from that time; and that the Goods, now on board the said Sloop *St. Antonio*, were purchased, as aforesaid, for the Use of the Owners of the said Gally.

*Hugh Parratt*.

The Five Deponents within-named did severally declare, That, whereas, in their within written Affidavits, they speak of the taking of Two Vessels, they do further explain themselves; and testify, That the said Two Vessels were *Moorish* Ships, and taken by them upon the Coast of *India*; One of them of Burden betwixt Four and Five hundred Tons, the other about Two hundred Tons: They surrendered to them without firing any Guns at them: The greater Ship came from *Bengall*; the lesser Ship came from *Surratt*: The smaller Ship was taken in November 1697; the greater Ship in February following: The Master, Gunner, and Boatswain, of the smaller Ship were *Dutchmen*, the rest of the Company were *Moors*, being about Forty in Number in the Whole: Her Lading consisted of some *Persian* Silks, and other dry Goods, with some Horses: The Three *Dutchmen* afterwards took up Arms on board the Gally: The greater of the Two Ships is the same that they lately left at *Hispaniola*: She had about Ninety Men on board: She was commanded by an *Englishman* named *Wright*; the Mate and Gunner were *Dutch*; all the rest of the Company were *Moors*: She was mounted with Ten Guns; and laden with *Bengall* Goods.

The Deponents further say, They met with the *Mocha* Frigate at the Port of *Saint Marie's*; and the Company belonging to her took the Companies belonging to the aforesaid Two Ships, forcibly, from on board the *Adventure Gally*; and Ninety of the Company belonging to the said Gally there also left her, and entered themselves on board the said *Mocha* Frigate; having first plundered the Two Ships before-named, and taken out of them a

considerable Quantity of Goods, and disposed of them at their Pleasure.

Signed,  
Abel O Owen,  
Sam. Arris,  
English Smith,  
Humph. Clay,  
Hugh Parratt.

Boston, 4th July 1699.

The Five Deponents within named, and subscribed to this Affidavit, severally made Oath to the Truth of this their Deposition, before his Excellency the Governor and Council.

Copy exam<sup>d</sup> per *Isa. Addington*, Secretary.

Mr. *Blathwait* presented to the House an Abstract of Representations made by Merchants and others, in the Years 1697, and 1698, relating to Piracies in the *East Indies*:

And an Account of what Captain *Kidd* has done abroad, according to the Informations received by the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, from the Earl of *Bellomont*, and otherwise; and what has been done thereupon.

And the same were delivered in at the Clerk's Table. And the Titles thereof read.

And the same are as follow; viz.

The said ABSTRACT.

December 1697. Several Advices received by the *East India* Company from their Factors in the *East Indies*, relating to Piracies in those Parts; as also a Letter from Captain *Warren*, Commander of One of his Majesty's Ships of War, lately returning from thence, dated the Twenty-eighth of November 1697; giving an Account of the Pirates at *St. Marie's*, near *Madagascar*; were now communicated to the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations.

1697. January. And upon Consideration of the Means to root these Pirates out of those Seas, the *East India* Company proposed to the said Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, That Two or Three Fourth Rate Frigates might be sent in March next for that End.

Whereupon Captain *Warren* being sent for, he gave an Account of the Strength of the Pirates Ships at *St. Marie's*; and proposed Four Ships of War as sufficient to suppress them.

February. The *East India* Company presented to the said Commissioners some further Advices about Pirates, which they had received from their Factors in the *East Indies*; unto which they added, That the Pirates are so numerous in those Seas, that the Company is obliged to be at the Charge of sending Convoys with the *Mogull's* Ships from Port to Port.

They also sent to the Board Mr. *Henry Watson*, who gave in a Narrative of the Taking of Two Coasting Vessels in the *East Indies*, in August 1696, belonging to the *East India* Company's Servants there, by a Vessel called *John* and *Rebecca*, commanded by one *John Hoar*.

And they sent further some other Extracts of the Letters they had received from their Factors in the *East Indies*, relating to the Pirates there; dated *Fort St. George*, the 19th of January 1697; *Bombay*, the 11th of April 1697; and *Bombay*, the 28th of April 1697.

The said Company also sent to the Board one *John Finlinson* a Seaman, who had been at *St. Marie's*; who gave an Account of that Island; of *Baldrige*, and other Pirates, being settled there, and of their furnishing the Pirates that came into that Island with Provisions.

And upon Notice, That one Mr. *Fullerton* could give some Informations in these Matters, he was sent for; and his Account agreed, in Substance, with that of *John Finlinson* aforenamed.

1698. July. Captain *Warren*, being now appointed to command some Ships of War in an Expedition against the Pirates in the *East Indies*, presented to the said Commissioners



missioners a Memorial relating thereunto: In which, among other things, he desired, That a Fifth Rate Frigate might be added to the Ships already appointed: And introduced to the Board one *John Blacon*; who gave an Account of several Pirates in the *East Indies*, particularly at *St. Marie's*; and of several Piracies committed in those Seas.

August. Several Papers were now received from the *East India Company*, about Piracies committed by Captain *Kidd* in the *East Indies*.

The said Account of what Captain *Kidd* has done abroad, and what has been done thereupon.

The *East India Company* having, about the Month of August 1698, communicated, to the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, some Informations they had received from their Factors in the *East Indies*, of Piracies committed by Captain *Kidd*; circular Letters were thereupon sent to all the *American Plantations*, by the Secretary of State, giving Notice thereof; and strictly commanding all the Governors of the said Plantations, by the Frigates there, and otherwise, to make Search for him; and to seize him, if he came within their Reach.

The First Advice received of *Kidd's* Return to *America*, was by a Letter from the President and Council of *Nevis* to the Right Honourable Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, dated the 18th of May 1699; wherein they write, That *Kidd* being returned from *Madagascar*, in a large *Genouessee* Vessel, of about 400 Tons, with 30 Guns, but leaky, and the Men much in Distress for want of Provisions, he had, about Twenty Days before their Writing, touched at *Anguilla*, a small Island under that Government, where he tarried about Four Hours; but, being refused Succour, sailed thence for the Island *St. Thomas*, belonging to the Crown of *Denmark*, and anchored off that Harbour Three Days; in which time he treated with them also for Relief; but the Governor absolutely denying him, he bore away further to Leeward; and, upon Advice thereof, the said President and Council of *Nevis* forthwith sent out his Majesty's Ship the *Queenborough*, then attending that Government, in Pursuit of him.

The said President and Council sent also afterwards to the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, the Information of one *Peter Smith* a *Dutchman*, and an Inhabitant of the Island of *St. Thomas*, dated at *Nevis* the 27th of June 1699; by which, and other Advices since received from the Earl of *Bellomont*, it appears, That *Kidd* sailed from *St. Thomas* for the Island of *Mona*, lying between *Porto Rico* and *Hispaniola*; and there meeting with one *Bolton*, of *Antegoa*, and one *Burt*, of *St. Thomas's*, he sold them several Goods, and sent *Bolton* to *Curassaw* to fetch him Provisions: Which being accordingly done, he bought of *Bolton* a Sloop, and therein laded the best of his own Goods, and sailed towards *New York*; leaving the said *Bolton*, with Seventeen or Eighteen Men, in Trust with the Ship *Quedah Merchant*, one of the Ships seized by the said *Kidd* in the *East Indies*, and the Goods left in her.

The next Advice received of him was from Colonel *Quary*, Judge of the Admiralty Court in *Pensilvania*, by Letters dated the Sixth of June; in which he writes, That *Kidd* was arrived in *Delaware Bay*, in a Sloop with about Forty Men, having with him a vast Treasure; and that he had sent his Boat on shore to the *Horekills*, where he was supplied with what he wanted; and from whence the People frequently went on board him.

After which it appears, by other Informations, That from thence he sailed into the Sound of *New York*, sending Word to his Friends at *New York* of his Arrival; and that he stopt at *Gardner's Island*, and there put several Bales of Goods on shore, as some also into a *New York Sloop*, then lying there; and landed others at *Tarpavelin Cove*; and that in *Oyster Bay* he took in one *Emot*, of *New York*, whom he carried along with him to *Rhode Island*, and there set him on shore.

Whilst *Kidd* staid there, or upon that Coast, *Emot*

went to *Boston* to the Earl of *Bellomont*, telling him, That *Kidd* had left a great *Moorish Ship* he took in *India*, called the *Quedah Merchant*, in a Creek on the Coast of *Hispaniola*, with Goods to the Value of 30,000*l.*; though his Lordship writes, That, upon a Computation of the Particulars afterwards given in by *Kidd*, they were judged to be worth 70,000*l.*: And that he had bought a Sloop, in which he was come before to make his Terms; and had brought Goods with him in the said Sloop, which he believed would sell for about 10,000*l.* He said also, That *Kidd* was very innocent, and would make it appear, that his Men forced him; locking him up in the Cabin of the *Adventure Gally*, whilst they robbed Two or Three Ships; which he could prove by many Witnesses.

Hereupon the Earl of *Bellomont* answered *Emot*, That if *Kidd* could make his Innocency appear, he might safely come into that Port: And accordingly he wrote a Letter to *Kidd*, inviting him to come in; and assuring him, That if his Case was as clear as he, or Mr. *Emot* for him, had said, then he might safely come in thither; and made no Doubt but to obtain the King's Pardon for him.

This Letter his Lordship sent by one *Campbell*; and in Three or Four Days time, *Campbell* returned with Answer from *Kidd*, full of Protestations of his Innocency; and expressing his Design of bringing his Sloop into that Port.

*Kidd* came accordingly, and landed at *Boston* the First of July 1699; but, by his trifling Answers to the Earl of *Bellomont* and Council, upon several Examinations; by the Endeavours of his Friends *Campbell* and *Livingstone* to embezzle the Cargo on board the Sloop; by Intimation given of an intended Present; by *Livingstone's* peremptory Demand, That a Bond and Articles, which he has entered into as Security for *Kidd*, upon his undertaking this Expedition, should be discharged; and by his Threats, That unless those Securities were immediately given up, *Kidd* would never bring in the great Ship that he had left on the Coast of *Hispaniola*; his Lordship, finding it necessary to act more openly, caused *Kidd*, upon the 6th of July, to be seized, and committed to Prison.

This whole Matter was transacted by his Lordship, from first to last, with the Privy and Advice of the Council of the *Massachusetts Bay*: And then Commissioners were appointed to take care of the Sloop's Cargo, and to make Inventories thereof; and other Directions given, for securing any Part that could be found of the Goods which had been put ashore on that Coast.

Having done this, his Lordship's next Care was to fit out a Ship to look after the *Quedah Merchant*, and secure the Goods that might be found in her; but, before that could be done, he received an Account, viz. the 17th of the same Month of July, from one Captain *Nicolas Evertse*, That he had been at *Curasaw*, and saw several Sloops lading of the said Goods brought thither; and there understood, That the said Ship had been carried, by a *Curassaw Master*, into a Salt Lagoon in the Island of *St. Helena*, to the South-east of *Hispaniola*; and that, in coming from *Curassaw*, and touching at the said Island of *St. Helena*, on the 29th of the foregoing Month, he himself saw the said Ship, the *Quedah Merchant*, on Fire, and almost burnt down, there being then Two Sloops at that Place.

*Kidd* being thus secured, such of his Men as could be met with were seized also; and, by the Informations of some of them, who had been with him in the whole Voyage, it appears, That, about the Month of April 1696, he sailed in the *Adventure Gally* from *Plymouth* to *New York*; and, in his Way, took a *French Prize*, which he carried in with him.

From *New York* he sailed to *Madera*, thence to *Bonavista* and *St. Jago*, where he took in Provisions, and proceeded to *Madagascar*: After that, having sailed to and again, and touched in several Places, he cruised off the

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the *Babbs*, at the Entrance of the *Red Sea*, in Expectation of Ships that might pass by; but effected nothing there.

Thence he sailed to *Calicut*; and, after Four or Five Days Stay, went a cruising upon that Coast; and there took a Ship of 150 Tons Burden, whereof the Master, and Three or Four Scamen, were *Dutchmen*, the rest *Moors*, laden with Cotton; which Ship he carried to *Madagascar*: This was done about May 1698.

Five Weeks after, he took the fore-mentioned Ship, the *Quidah Merchant*, of 400 Tons Burden, commanded by one *Right* an *Englishman*; having on Board Two *Dutch* Mates, and One *French* Gunner; but the main Number of the Crew were *Moors*; being in all about Ninety Persons.

*Kidd* carried the said Ship into *St. Marie's*, near *Madagascar*; and there unladed the Goods, and shared them with his Company, they being then about 115 Men; who had, one with another, Three or Four Bales apiece for his Share; and *Kidd* had Forty Shares for his Part: The Bales contained Callicoes, Romalls, Muslins, and some Silk, flowered, and striped, and plain.

After the Sharing of these Goods, Ninety of the Company left *Kidd*, and went aboard the *Mocha* Frigate, then lying at *St. Marie's*.

*Kidd*, and the Men that remained with him, carried their Goods again aboard the *Quidah Merchant*, and run the *Adventure Gally* on shore, she being very leaky, and set her on Fire; and, having procured some more Men at *St. Marie's*, came away in her for the *West Indies*, and arrived at *Anguilla*, as before-mentioned.

The Earl of *Bellomont*, in transmitting this Account of his Proceedings in relation to *Kidd*, gave further Intimation, at the same time, That he was not only fearful of the Escape of the Prisoners, having then before him fresh Example of the Escape of one *Bradish*, another Pirate, with great Suspicion of the Privy of the Gaoler; but also that there are no Laws in that Country for the Punishing of Piracy with Death; and that the People, in all these neighbouring Parts, are so favourable to Pirates, by reason of the Money they brought and dispersed amongst them, that there could be no Expectation of any Justice against them there.

Upon which Advice, their Excellencies the late Lords Justices sent One of his Majesty's Ships to fetch over *Kidd*, and other Pirates, in safe Custody; together with their Effects that had been seized, and the Evidences that might be useful towards their Conviction here; in order to their being tried and punished here, according to Law: But it happened, as is said, that the said Ship, having met with Storms at Sea, and suffered such Damage thereby, that she could not proceed, is lately returned into *Portsmouth*.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the Papers this Day delivered in at the Table, be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

East India  
Company's  
Petitions.

Ordered, That a Copy of a Petition of the *East India* Company to the Lords Justices, of the 20th of August 1696; and of another to the Commissioners of the Admiralty, of the 26th of February 1696; be laid before this House To-morrow Morning.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Martis, 5° die Decembris;

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

## PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Mayor and Citizens of the City of *Chester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the River *Dee* was heretofore navigable for Ships and Vessels of considerable Burden, from the Sea to the City of *Chester*; but, for want of sufficient Banks and Fences on the Sides thereof, against the Flux and Reflux of the Sea, the Channel is become so various and incertain, that the Navigation to the said City is almost lost; for Recovery whereof, the Petitioners are willing to submit to a Tax on all LIME and Coal that shall be unladed in the said City: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill to recover and preserve the Navigation of the said River.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Tho. Grosvenor* and Mr. *Shackerly* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of *Thomas May*, of *Stoak* next *Nayland*, in the County of *Suffolk*, Gentleman, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, in 1687, did settle upon his late Wife *Frances*, deceased, divers Lands and Premises in *Stoak* aforesaid, for her Life; and, after, upon her Issue Male, and for raising Daughters Portions; Remainder in Fee to the Petitioner: That *Frances* left but One Daughter, who is now living; and the Petitioner hath agreed for the Purchase of other Lands in the said County, of greater Value, which is more for the Advantage of his Family: Therefore he prays, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Petitioner to sell the Lands in *Stoak* aforesaid; and to convey the said other Lands, of greater Value, to the same Uses; he having the Consent of the Trustees of the said Settlement, and all others concerned, for so doing.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Conyers* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Bill for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience in the City of *Westminster*, and the Liberties thereof, was, according to Order, read a First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next, in a full House.

Sir *George Rook*, from the Commissioners of the Admiralty, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of what is due to the Seamen for Wages, both for the Ships to be paid off, and for the Recalls: And the same was read, and is as followeth; viz.

For Wages due the 30th of November last, to Seamen belonging to Ships to be paid off	£. 357,004
For Wages due on the Recalls to the 30th of November last	312,908
	<hr/> 669,212.

J. Bridgwater,

G. Rooke, Haversham,  
Geo. Churchill, D. Mitchell.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Account be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Sir *George Rooke* also, from the Commissioners of the Admiralty, according to Order, presented the House a Copy of the Petition of the *East India* Company: And

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And a Copy of the Minutes taken at the Admiralty Board upon the said Petition: And also,

A Copy of Sir Charles Hedges' Report upon the Petition of the *East India* Company, relating to the Commissions to take Pirates, &c.

And the Titles thereof were read.

And the said Petition, Minutes, and Report, are as follow:

The said Petition.

To the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*:

The humble Petition of the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London* trading to the *East Indies*,

Humbly sheweth,

That, of late years, great Numbers of vicious and ill-principled Men have set out several Ships, from *Europe* and the *West Indies*, on purpose to rob and seize the Ships of all Nations they can meet with in the *Indian Seas*; and, in pursuance of the said villainous Designs, have already committed so great Robberies and Outrages, that the Nations of those Parts, finding their Ships robbed, and Navigation interrupted, by Pirates under *English* Colours, and, in Truth, the greatest Part of them are Subjects of the Crown of *England*, have several times seized the Factories of your Petitioners, and put their Factors and Servants in Irons, to their great Detriment: Nor do your Petitioners yet know, whether the *Mogul* hath not seized all the Effects of your Petitioners in *India*, to make good the Damage his Subjects have sustained by the late Piracies committed by *Every* and others.

That your Petitioners have Advice, That several Ships are gone out, and more are fitting out, from our Plantations in the *West Indies*, on the same Designs; and, unless some Stop be put to these villainous Practices, your Petitioners have too great Reason to apprehend the Continuance of such Practices will so far exasperate the *Indian Nations*, that they will utterly destroy the Factors and Effects of your Petitioners, and totally forbid all Commerce between them and the *English Nation*.

That your Petitioners are, on their Parts, ready to do whatever they can to suppress their piratical Practices; nor will they spare any Cost effectually to put an End to these Violations of the Laws of all Nations, as far as they shall be enabled.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray, your Lordships would please to empower the Petitioners Ships and Officers to seize and take all Pirates infesting those Seas, within the Limits of the Company's Charter; and likewise to empower them to erect a Court of Admiralty in those Parts, to try and condemn such Pirates as they shall take; or in such other manner as your Lordships shall judge most effectual for suppressing and preventing the like Villainies in time to come.

And your Petitioners shall ever pray, &c.

Ro. Blackborne, Secretary.

2d March 94.

Received then, and read.

5 December 99. A true Copy,

J. Burchett.

The said Minutes taken at the Admiralty Office, 3d March 1694.

The Petition of the Governor and Company of Merchants trading to the *East Indies*, read; praying, That their Ships and Officers may be empowered to seize and take all Pirates infesting the Seas within the Limits of the Company's Charter, &c.

Resolved, That the said Petition be referred to the Judge of the Admiralty; who is to report to us his Opinion therein.

15 ditto. The Petition of the *East India* Company, touching their being empowered to seize and take Pirates in the *Indies*, and erecting a Court of Admiralty there, together with Sir Charles Hedges' Opinion thereon, were read.

Sir Charles Hedges to attend the Board, touching his Vol. 13.

Report on the Petition of the *East India* Company, for erecting Courts of Admiralty there.

17 March. Sir Charles Hedges, Judge of the Admiralty, attended the Board; and acquainted them, That in case they do appoint a Vice Admiral at *Bombay*, or any other Place in the *East Indies*, he will thereby have Power to proceed against the Ships of such Pirates as shall be taken by the *East India* Company's Ships, seized on by the Powers given them by the Board, by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal of *England*, and to send home the Persons in Custody.

5<sup>o</sup> December 99. A true Copy,

J. Burchett.

The said Report.

Copy of a Letter from Sir Charles Hedges to the Lords of the Admiralty, dated the 8th March 1696.

Having, according to your Lordships Order of the 4th Instant, considered the Petition of the *East India* Company, relating to Commissions to take Pirates, and the Establishing of a Court of Admiralty for proceeding against them in the *East Indies*; it is my humble Opinion, That the most regular Way will be, for your Lordships to take a Commission under the Great Seal of *England*, giving Power to the Lord Admiral, or Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord Admiral of *England*, by Name, and for the Time being, to grant Commissions to any of the Captains of the *East India* Company's Ships, for the taking of Ships of Pirates; wherein it may be expressed, What Parts or Shares the King shall think fit to reserve to himself, or bestow upon the Captors and Company.

And, to the end that legal Proceedings may be had in the *East Indies*, I humbly conceive, That your Lordships may be pleased to erect a Vice Admiral at *Bombay*, or any other Place that shall be thought expedient, in the same manner as is done in the *West Indies*; which being established by a Commission in the ordinary Form, that will be sufficient to empower such Vice Admiralty there, to proceed against Ships, as fully as any Vice Admiralty in *England*, or the High Court of Admiralty, can do: And, as to the Persons, I think there is no Doubt but they may be sent home in Custody: But, whether it will be fit to try them there for their Lives, considering the Statute 28 Hen. VIII. Chap. 15. I must crave Leave to submit to the Gentlemen learned in the common Laws of the Land, and your Lordships further Consideration.

5 December 1699. A true Copy,

J. Burchett.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition, Minutes, and Report, be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

Mr. Speaker reported to the House, That he, with the House, having attended his Majesty, and presented their Address, his Majesty had been pleased to give a gracious Answer thereunto; which being long, and his Majesty's Voice low, he had, for preventing any Mistake, desired and obtained a Copy thereof; Which he read; and is as followeth; viz.

Answer to  
Address.

Gentlemen,

MY Parliaments have done so great things for me, and I have, upon all proper Occasions, expressed so great a Sense of their Kindness, and my Opinion has been so often declared, That the Happiness of an *English King* depends upon an intire good Correspondence between him and his Parliament, That it cannot seem strange for me to assure you, That no Persons have ever yet dared to go about to misrepresent to me the Proceedings of either House; Had I found any such, they would have immediately felt the highest Marks of my Displeasure: It is a Justice I owe, not only to my Parliaments, but to every one of my Subjects, to judge of them by their Actions; and this Rule I will steadily pursue. If any shall hereafter attempt to put me on other Methods, by Calumnies or Misrepresentations, they will not only fail

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of Success, but shall be looked upon, and treated by me, as my worst Enemies.

Gentlemen,

I am pleased to see, by your Address, That you have the same Thoughts of the great Advantages which will ensue to the Kingdom, from our mutual Confidence, as I expressed to both Houses at the Opening of this Session. I take very kindly the Assurance you give me, of using your utmost Care and Endeavour to prevent and discourage all false Rumours and Reports, reflecting upon Me, and my Government; and I faithfully promise you, That no Actions of mine shall give a just Ground for any Misunderstanding between me and my People.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had agreed upon several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Conyers also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Papers  
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Piracies.

Mr. Secretary Vernon, according to Order, presented to the House the Petition of the *East India* Company to the Lords Justices: And

An Extract out of the Lords Justices Minute Book: And

A Copy of a Letter from the Privy Council to the Governors of the Plantations, for Apprehending of Pirates, and Suppressing Piracy.

And the Titles thereof were read.

And the same were as follow; viz.

The said Petition.

To their Excellencies the Lords Justices of England.

May it please your Excellencies,

The Governor and Company of Merchants of *London* trading to the *East Indies*, having received a Letter, dated the 14th of August 96, from Mr. Yard, intimating, That there hath been Application made to your Excellencies, on behalf of One of the Persons that was on board the Ship *Charles*, alias *Fancy*, mentioned in your Excellencies last Proclamation, who, if he might have a Pardon, offers to come in, and discover his Knowledge in the whole Matter of the Piracy committed in *India* by the said Ship, and use his utmost Diligence for the Apprehending those other Pirates that were concerned on board the same; and to represent to your Excellencies, what we thought proper to be done in that Case; do humbly shew to your Excellencies, That there being Persons enough already in Custody, to prove the Matter of Fact, of which the rest stand accused; do therefore humbly conceive, with Submission to your Excellencies, That a Pardon to any other of the Criminals can be of no other Use, than upon the Terms in the said Proclamation mentioned; and the Government in *India*, where the Company's Affairs, occasioned by the horrid Villainies and Robberies committed by the said Pirates, are in a very deplorable Condition, being no otherwise to be satisfied, than by the Execution of Justice upon the Criminals.

And they do further humbly pray, That such of the Species of Gold, Silver and Jewels, as have already been, or shall hereafter be, seized in the Custody of any of the said Pirates, or of any other Persons, who cannot make a legal Title thereunto, may not be disposed of, but put into the Possession of the said Governor and Com-

pany, in order to be preserved for the Use of the Proprietors in *India*; that the Government there may see, That his Majesty here, as well as the said Company, have done their utmost Endeavours to seize the said Pirates, and to make Restitution to the Persons injured, as far as it is in their Power.

Signed by Order of the Governor and Company.

Ro. Blackburne, Secretary.

*East India House*,  
20th Aug. 1696.

The said Extract, 20th Aug. 1696.

Present,

Lord Archbishop, Lord Steward,  
Lord Privy Seal, Duke of *Shrewsbury*,  
Lord Godolphin.

A Memorial, presented by the *East India* Company, against pardoning any of the Pirates, but such as should come in upon the Terms of the Proclamation; and, that what Money should be found belonging to the Pirates, might be put into their Hands, to be restored to the Owners in *India*.

Ordered, That it be brought to the Council, to be considered there.

The said Letter.

At the Council Chamber in *Whitehall*, the 27th Aug. 1696.

Present,

Their Excellencies the Lord Justices in Council.  
Lord Keeper, Earl of *Mountague*,  
Lord Privy Seal, Earl of *Tankerville*,  
Duke of *Shrewsbury*, Mr. Vice-Chamberlain,  
Lord Chamberlain, Mr. Chancellor of Exchequer,  
Lord Godolphin, Sir *Henry Goodrick*,  
Mr. *Boscawen*.

After our very hearty Commendations: Whereas their Excellencies the Lords Justices of *England* have received Information, from the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London* trading to the *East Indies*, That *Henry Every*, alias *Bridgman*, with divers other Persons, *English* and *Foreigners*, having run away with the Ship *Charles the Second*, alias the *Phancy*, from the Port of *Corunna* in *Spain*, had committed several Acts of Piracy in the Seas of *India* and *Persia*; and, having afterwards left the said Ship at the Island of *Providence*, had shared the Plunder so by them gotten, and dispersed themselves: Their Excellencies have thereupon thought fit, by Proclamation in his Majesty's Name, to require all his Majesty's Admirals, Commanders, and other Officers at Sea, and all Governors and Commanders, and other Officers whatsoever, in his Majesty's Plantations, to secure and apprehend the said *Henry Every*, alias *Bridgman*, and other Persons named in the said Proclamation, and such others as were with them in the said Ship; a Copy of which Proclamation you will herewith receive. And whereas Information has been likewise given, That divers Pirates and Sea Robbers have, of late Years, gone from several Parts of his Majesty's Plantations in *America* to the Seas of *India* and *Persia*, and other remote Parts, upon the like piratical Designs; and that some of them have returned home again, and dispersed themselves in his Majesty's Plantations, with great Quantities of Gold, and other Plunder; We do hereby, in his Majesty's Name, strictly require and command you, forthwith, upon Receipt hereof, to cause the said Proclamation to be published within your Government: And that, for the Suppressing, as much as may be, all such evil Practices for the future, whereby the Trade of his Majesty's good Subjects in foreign Parts may be otherwise greatly disturbed, We do hereby, in his Majesty's Name, strictly charge and require you, and all his Majesty's Officers and loving Subjects, within your Government, to take all possible Care, and use all due Means, for the Seizing and Apprehending all such Pirates and Sea Robbers, and such as may reasonably be suspected for the same, either by reason of the great Quantities of Gold and Silver of foreign Coins they usually have with them, or by other probable Circumstances; and to cause them to

to be streightly imprisoned; and their Ships, Goods, and Plunder, to be kept in safe Custody; until, upon returning a full Account unto us of the said Persons, their Ships, Goods, and Plunder, with the Evidences relating to them, his Majesty's Pleasure shall be known and signified concerning them: And so we bid you very heartily farewell.

From the Council Chamber at *Whitchall*,  
the 27th Day of August 1696.

Your very loving Friends,  
*Romney, Tankerville,*  
*Pere, Bertie, Ch. Mountague,*  
*H. Goodrick, J. Boscawen.*

This Letter, so dated and signed, was sent to the Governors of his Majesty's Plantations following: *Barbadoes, Nexis, St. Christopher's, &c. Virginia, Maryland, New York, Jamaica, Massachusetts Bay, New Hampshire, Bermudas or Summer Islands, Lucas or Bahama Islands, Carolina, Pensilvania, East and West New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island.*

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition, and Extract, and Letter, be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii, 6<sup>o</sup> die Decembris;*

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Dee Navigation.

**M**R. *Shakerly*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable the Mayor and Citizens of the City of *Chester* to recover, and preserve, the Navigation upon the River *Dee*: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read Second time.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions of the said Committee; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Sum of 76,383 *l. 5 s. 4 d.* now remaining in the Exchequer, upon the Account of the Subsidy of Tonnage and Poundage granted to his Majesty for Five Years, from the 25th Day of *December* 1694, together with what shall arise from the same Fund, to the 25th Day of *December* next, shall be applied towards Payment of Seamen's Wages.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That whosoever shall advance or lend a Sum, not exceeding 220,000 *l.* for the further paying Seamen's Wages, shall be repaid the same, with Interest at Five Pound per Centum per Annum, out of the First Aid to be granted this Session.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, *Nemine contradicente*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Sum of 76,383 *l. 5 s. 4 d.* now remaining in the Exchequer, upon the Account of the Subsidy of Tonnage and Poundage granted to his Majesty for Five Years, from the 25th Day of *December* 1694, together with what shall arise from the same Fund to the 25th Day of *December* next, shall be applied towards Payment of Seamen's Wages.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, *Nemine contradicente*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That whosoever shall advance or lend a Sum, not exceeding

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220,000 *l.* for the further paying Seamen's Wages, shall be repaid the same, with Interest at Five Pounds per Cent. per Annum, out of the First Aid to be granted this Session.

A Petition of *Richard Nichols*, and others, on behalf of themselves and others, lately disbanded out of his Majesty's Regiment of Foot Guards, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have, with all imaginable Submission, applied to their Officers, and given them their Accounts of what is due to the Petitioners, pursuant to an Act of the last Session of Parliament to enable Soldiers to exercise Trades, and to oblige their Officers to make up such Accounts; but their Officers refuse to make up such Accounts: And One of their Officers, upon shewing him an Act made in 1692, threw it away in great Disdain, bidding the Petitioners go to their Parliament to right them; and speaking unseemly Words against this House; which the Petitioners are ready to prove: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

And it is referred to Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Sir *Just. Isham*, Sir *Tho. Davall*, Mr. *Thursby*, Mr. *Eyres*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Barnardiston*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Mountstevens*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Nicholson*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Vernon*, Sir *Ja. Houlton*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Gourdon*, Sir *Fra. Windham*, Mr. *Keckwich*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Rudge*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Hancock*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Jolliffe*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Sir *Bryan Stapleton*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Whitchurch*, Mr. *Palmer*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And are empowered to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Ordered, That the Call of the House be adjourned until *Monday* Morning next: And that such Members as shall not then attend be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Ordered, That all Knights of Shires be added to the Committee, to whom it is referred to inspect the Commissions of the Peace, and Commissions to Deputy Lieutenants, as they now stand, and as they were for Seven Years last past.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* acquainted the House, That the said Committee had sat; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Jovis, 7<sup>o</sup> die Decembris;*

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

**M**R. *Eyres*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the more effectual Execution of an Act, intituled, An Act to restore the Market at *Blackwell*.

Blackwell-hall Cloth Market.



*well-hall* to the Clothiers; and for regulating the Factors there: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Tuesday Morning next.

Answer to Address.

The Earl of *Ranelagh* acquainted the House, That he having presented to his Majesty their Address, That he would be pleased to issue his Royal Proclamation for the Suppressing of all Vice and Immorality, and for putting the Laws in Execution relating thereunto, his Majesty was pleased thereupon to say, That he would speedily comply with the Desires of this House therein.

Army Arrears.

A Petition of *Reuben Sooley*, and others, disbanded Soldiers of his Majesty's Regiment of Foot Guards, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Colonel *Hopson* intrusted Lieutenant *Upcott* with the Management of the said Regiment; who received the Petitioners Subsistence Money, and applied it to his own Use, amounting to 95 *l.*: For Redress wherein, they applied to the Court Martial at the Horse Guards, which ordered the Petitioners but 45 *l.* 10 *s.* out of 91 *l.* due to Lieutenant *Upcott*, of which they have not yet received One Penny; so that they are reduced to very great Hardships: And praying the House to order the Payment of their Subsistence, which has been received, and detained from them, these Four Years past.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Grants from the Crown.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lowndes* do lay before this House an Account of all Grants made since the 18th Day of March last; together with the Petitions on which the same were made; and, if the same be in Trustees Names, for whom the same were made.

Ditto.

*Ordered*, That the Auditor of the Duchy of *Lancaster* do lay before this House an Account of all Grants since the 27th Day of March last; together with the Petitions on which the same were made; and, if the same be in Trustees Names, for whom the same were made.

Incomes and Issues of Revenue.

*Ordered*, That an Account be laid before this House of the Incomes and Issues of the Revenue for the last Year.

Officers under the Crown, and their Salaries.

*Ordered*, That a List be laid before this House of all Officers employed under the Crown; and of their Salaries, both those paid out of the Civil List, and also out of the Monies appropriated.

Excise Penalties, &c.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of Excise do lay before this House an Account of all Penalties and Forfeitures received for Ten Years last past; and how the same have been disposed of.

Customs, Penalties, &c.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of the Customs do lay before this House an Account of what Penalties and Forfeitures have been received for Ten Years last past; and how the same have been disposed of.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move, That an Account be laid before this House of the Deficiencies not already provided for; and also of the Debts to the Navy, Ordnance, and Forces.

And an Amendment being proposed to be made, by adding "and for Transport Service;"

The same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That an Account be laid before this House of the Deficiencies not already provided for; and also of the Debts to the Navy, Ordnance, and Forces, and for Transport Service.

Mr. *Conyers* also reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move, That the Commissioners of Excise may lay before the House a State of the several Branches of the Revenue of Excise of Beer, Ale, and other exciseable Liquors; how appropriated; for what time granted; and how much were the gross and net Produces of the same, severally, for the Year ending at *Midsummer* last.

And an Amendment being proposed to be made, by adding "and so forward to *Michaelmas* last;"

The same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of Excise do lay before this House a State of the several Branches of the Revenue of Excise of Beer, Ale, and other exciseable Liquors; how appropriated; for what time granted; and how much were the gross and net Produces of the same, severally, for the Year ending at *Midsummer* last, and so forward to *Michaelmas* last.

Mr. *Conyers* also reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move, That the Commissioners of Excise may lay before the House an Account how the Expences and Management of the respective Branches of the Revenue of Excise are now charged.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of Excise do lay before this House an Account how the Expences of Management of the respective Branches of the Revenue of Excise are now charged.

Mr. *Conyers* also reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move, That the Commissioners of Excise may lay before the House an Account of the Produce of the Malt Duty; and what is now standing out in Arrear; and the Charge of the Management of that Duty.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of Excise do lay before this House an Account of the Produce of the Malt Duty; and what is now standing out in Arrear; and the Charge of the Management of that Duty.

Mr. *Conyers* also reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move, That the Commissioners of the Customs may lay before the House an Account of what Bonds are standing out upon the Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage, granted to his Majesty for Five Years ending the 25th Day of December next.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of the Customs do lay before this House an Account of what Bonds are standing out upon the Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage, granted to his Majesty for Five Years ending 25th Day of December next.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Saturday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Veneris, 8<sup>o</sup> die Decembris;  
11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

**ORDERED**, That Lamps be set up every Night upon the Stairs to this House, and in the Passages, and other convenient Places, for the better Accommodation of the Members in their Attendance upon Committees.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable *Thomas May* Gentleman to sell Lands in the County of *Suffolk*, which were settled upon his First and Second Marriages; and to convey other Lands, of a greater Value, in the same County, to the same Uses: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of *Edward Williams* and *Thomas Oldershaw*, in behalf of themselves and all others, that served in the Regiment of Horse commanded by Colonel *Langston*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, for the Two last Sessions, the Petitioners attended upon the House for an Account and Clearance of their Arrears, which their said Colonel had actually passed, as appears by a Discharge in the Office to 1st of April 1692; and, notwithstanding the Act of Parliament to oblige Officers to account with their Soldiers, yet Colonel *Langston* refuses so to do; declaring, he will pay nothing but what this House shall order; and keeps in *Ireland*, on purpose to defraud the Petitioners, who are not in a Condition to prosecute at Law for their just Dues: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Thomas Ryder*, *Thomas Warner*, and others, for and on account of themselves, and the rest of the Soldiers, Horse, Foot, and Dragoons, who were lately disbanded out of his Majesty's Service, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That notwithstanding the late Act of Parliament for Relief of the Army, their Agent, *Robert Griffith*, and several other Officers and Agents, have absolutely refused to state their Accounts: That the Petitioners can prove great Sums to be in Arrear to the whole Army, and great Abuses, to their utter Ruin, unless relieved by this House: And praying the House to inquire into their Grievances, and give them speedy Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do examine and consider of the Case of the Soldiers in general, and appoint a Time for that Purpose; and report their Opinion therein to the House, what they conceive necessary to be done for their Relief.

A Petition of many of the Inhabitants of the Towns of *Deptford* and *Chatham*, in the County of *Kent*, many of which are Innholders and Victuallers, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Beginning of the late War, the Petitioners entertained great Numbers of sick and wounded Seamen, by Order of the Commissioners appointed for that Purpose, at 12d. per Day, promising the same should be allowed out of their Pay; and the Hospitals being then full, the Petitioners, by reason of such Subsistence, have run themselves in Debt for Three or Four Years together: And new Commissioners have discharged the Debts of the sick and wounded Seamen at all Ports of this Kingdom, from the 1st of

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July 1698, to the 30th of December 1699; but the former Commissioners are in Arrear from the Year 1695, to the last of June 1698; alleging, That they have not Money to discharge the same; which make the Creditors of the Petitioners very severe with them, who have made away with all they had; and others have been forced to abscond from their Habitations, for Want of what is due to them: And praying the Consideration of the House, in order to their Relief.

*Ordered*, That as well the late as the present Commissioners for sick and wounded Seamen do lay before this House, a State of the Debt due upon Account of that Service.

A Petition of the Commissioners appointed by Act of Parliament for preventing the Exportation of Wool, &c. was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, being appointed by Act of Parliament, without any Fund, did, in 1698, take upon them, at their own Charge, to settle Officers in all the Maritime and Northern Counties; who did engage themselves in the said Service, without any Salaries, in Hopes their good Works would recommend them to future Consideration: That they acted therein with good Success, and made many considerable Seizures, and gained divers Informations against notorious Offenders, and became more formidable to them, than other Officers formerly appointed for that Purpose: But for Want of Encouragement the Officers have found Means to raise such powerful Interests against the said Officers, that they have been put under all the Difficulties imaginable; sometimes their Seizures taken from them by open Force; sometimes by Replevin; and sometimes committed to Prison by Justices of the Peace, upon frivolous Pretences, when they have only acted in the Execution of their Offices: Of which the Petitioners being sensible, they petitioned his Majesty for a competent Supply to carry on the said Work; who referred it to the Lords of the Treasury: But the Petitioners could get no Report from them, and despair of getting any Assistance from that Board; so that, without the Aid of this House, their Officers, who have been at great Expence, and contracted great Debts, must be inevitably ruined; neither are they able to raise Money to condemn divers Parcels of Wool they have now under Seizure; nor to prosecute the Offenders: That, if the Petitioners were encouraged, they believe they can do much more, towards suppressing the Exportation of Wool, than any other Officers heretofore employed in that Business; there having been many Corruptions, and remiss Practices, in the subordinate Officers, to the Encouragement of Offenders: And that the Petitioners, proposing no Benefit to themselves, but for the common Good, hope, That if the House shall think fit to grant them some other Powers, and enable them to support their Officers, they shall give such Satisfaction for suppressing the said unlawful Practices, as that this House may have no more Occasion of thinking of other Methods for the suppressing the like Mischiefs for the future: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for that Purpose; and for reimbursing their Officers what they have expended in the said Service.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to consider, what has been done, upon the former Laws, against the Exportation of Wool, and for encouraging the Woollen Manufactures; and to report the same, with their Opinion of what may be necessary to be further done.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do examine what Proceedings have been upon the Commission in the said Petition mentioned; and report their Opinion, How far it is fit the Act, the said Commission is grounded upon, ought to be repealed, or made more effectual; and that all the Members that serve for the Counties of *Southampton*, *Suffolk*, and *Cornwall*, be added to the said Committee.

Sir *Richard Cocks*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the general Quiet of the Subject against all

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Pretences

Defective Titles.

Lamps to be placed on the Stairs.

May's Estate.

Army Arrears.

Ditto.

Sick and Wounded Seamen.

Pretences of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other defective Titles: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Great  
Grimsby  
Election.

A Petition of *Richard Robinson* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Great Grimsby* in the County of *Lincolne*, in the room of *Sir Edward Aiscough*, deceased, the Petitioner, *Sir Thom. Barnardiston*, and Captain *Tho. Viner*, stood Candidates; and by treating, bribing, and many illegal Practices used by Mr. *Viner*, and his Agents, to procure Votes for him, he was returned as duly chosen; otherwise the Petitioner had been returned; who read the Act against Expences in open Court, at the Election; and charged the Voters there with Breach thereof; and none of them denied the same: Therefore the Petitioner prays, That the Merits of the said Election may be heard at the Bar of the House; or otherwise, as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Importing  
Silks.

A Petition of the Bailiffs, Wardens, and Assistants, of the Company of Weavers, *London*, on behalf of themselves and Trade, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That raw Silk from *Turky*, being chiefly the Product of our Woollen Manufactures, and Stuffs mixt with Wool and Silk, and Silks, exported, having, by divers Acts of Parliament, been encouraged, the Manufacturers are become very numerous, and have attained to such Perfection therein, that they equalize most Nations; and, till of late Years, by the vast Quantities of *East India*, *Persia*, and *China*, wrought Silks and Stuffs, imported, are ruined, comfortably maintained their numerous Families and Dependencies; many ingenious Artists, who were a Help to others, being fallen to the Parish wherein they live; and divers have been forced to go into *Ireland*, and foreign Parts, for their Subsistence; so that the Petitioners apprehend, That the Weaving Trade will, in a short time, be wholly lost, unless some

speedy Stop be put to the Home Consumption of the said foreign wrought Goods: And praying the House to consider their deplorable Condition, and to grant them such Relief as the House shall think meet.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

A Petition of the Master, Wardens, and Assistants, of Importing the Company of Silk-throwers of the City of *London*, was Silks. presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners Trade chiefly consists in Throwing raw Silks, and preparing them for the Weavers, whose Trade is very much decayed, by reason of the Home Consumption of the Abundance of wrought Silk and Stuffs imported from *India*, and other Parts; and, by consequence, the Petitioners Trade, which was formerly computed to employ above 40,000 People, is in Hazard of being lost, to the Ruin of those Thousands; who are, for the most Part, reduced to the utmost Extremity: And praying, That some Provision be made for preventing the Home Consumption, if not the Importation, of those foreign-wrought Silks and Stuffs.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

Mr. *Godolphin*, from the Commissioners of the Customs, Customs. according to Order, presented to the House an Account of the Gross Receipt of the Customs and Impositions in *London* and Out Ports, from *Michaelmas* 1686, to *Michaelmas* 1688: And also,

An Account of Duties received for Goods exported in 1687, and 1688; and in 1698, and in 1699: And also,

An Account of the Customs for Two Years, from *Michaelmas* 1697, to *Michaelmas* 1699: And also,

The Return of the said Commissioners, pursuant to the Orders of the House of the 29th and 30th of November last.

And the Titles thereof were read.

And the said Accounts are as follow; viz.

The ACCOUNT of the Gross Receipt of the Customs and Impositions in *London* and Out Ports, from *Michaelmas* 1686, to *Michaelmas* 1688; viz.

From <i>Michaelmas</i> 1686, to <i>Michaelmas</i> 1688;—	On the Customs.			Impost on Wines.			Impost on Tobacco.			Impost on Linen and Silk.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>London</i> - - - -	586,904	17	2½	147,003	19	10½	232,912	3	1	80,605	1	1
Out Ports - - - -	295,681	14	4½	47,156	—	—½	252,629	16	—½	24,704	15	8½
£.	882,586	11	7½	194,159	19	10½	485,541	19	1½	105,310	1	9½
From <i>Michaelmas</i> 1687, to <i>Michaelmas</i> 1688;—												
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>London</i> - - - -	507,835	15	1	139,215	1	8	209,280	1	2½	15,795	—	5
Out Ports - - - -	274,151	7	8½	42,113	6	3½	232,998	3	7½	22,896	—	7
£.	781,987	2	9½	181,328	7	11½	442,278	4	10½	38,691	1	—

The net Payments into the Exchequer, as extracted from the Books of the Auditor of the Receipt of the Exchequer.

	Customs.			Wines.			Tobacco and Sugars.			Linen and Skins.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
From <i>Michaelmas</i> 1686, to <i>Michaelmas</i> 1687 - - - -	533,565	2	3½	186,119	12	7	169,572	13	11½	148,211	5	11
From <i>Michaelmas</i> 1687, to <i>Michaelmas</i> 1688 - - - -	544,422	9	5	172,961	5	11	152,801	14	11	96,774	15	10½

R. Holt, Comptroller General.

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The said ACCOUNT of Duties received for Goods exported in 1687, and 1688; and in 1698, and 1699; viz.

From Michaelmas 1686, to Michaelmas 1687;—

	£.	s.	d.
London	46,475	19	1½
Out Ports	33,064	18	6
	79,540	17	6½

From Michaelmas 1687, to Michaelmas 1688;—

	£.	s.	d.
London	41,476	2	10½
Out Ports	31,767	18	11½
	73,244	1	10½

From Michaelmas 1697, to Michaelmas 1698;—

	£.	s.	d.
London	47,835	17	10½
Out Ports	37,067	7	2
	84,903	5	0½

From Michaelmas 1698, to Michaelmas 1699;—

	£.	s.	d.
London	52,581	2	4
Out Ports	34,900	4	7½
	87,481	6	11½

R. Holt, Comptroller General.

The said ACCOUNT of the Customs for Two Years, from Michaelmas 1697, to Michaelmas 1699; viz.

From Michaelmas 1697, } to Michaelmas 1698. }	Customs.			Coffee and Spice, &c.			New Subsidy.			Impost on Wines and Vinegar.			Impost on Tobacco.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
London	421,045	11	4½	8,844	6	6½	255,692	15	5½	109,716	10	7	121,347	14	1
Out Ports	181,239	2	3½	1,166	8	11½	102,213	11	0½	18,662	11	0½	71,060	13	1½
£.	602,284	13	7½	10,010	15	6½	358,006	6	6	128,379	1	7½	192,408	7	2½

	Impost on several Poundage Goods.			Additional Impost on several Poundage Goods.			Impost on Glass and Earthen Ware, Whale-Fins, and Scotch Linen.			Impost on Leather.			Impost on Paper, expired the 1st of March 1698.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
London	169,203	15	4	73,490	3	9	2,990	19	11	856	8	2	4,090	16	3
Out Ports	29,162	8	4	54,530	10	8	1,131	18	2½	246	12	8½	972	8	11½
£.	198,366	3	8	128,020	14	5	4,122	18	1½	1,103	0	10½	5,063	5	2½

	Second 25 l. per Cent. &c. on French Goods.			French Tonage Duty.			New Duty on Coals, from the 15 May 1698.			Additional Impost on East India Wrought Silks, from Michaelmas 1698.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
London	-	-	-	330	7	6	37,887	0	3	-	-	-
Out Ports	6,725	5	7½	476	11	0	16,058	1	5	-	-	-
£.	6,725	5	7½	806	18	6	53,945	1	8	-	-	-

TOTAL of all the foregoing Duties - - 1,689,242. 12. 6½.



From Michaelmas 1698, } to Michaelmas 1699. }		Customs.	Coffee and Spice, &c.	New Subsidy.	Impost on Wines and Vinegar.	Impost on Tobacco.
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
London	- - -	644,022 7 7½	14,233 12 11	394,091 2 —½	181,079 6 10	304,393 5 6½
Out Ports	- - -	179,269 11 9½	611 15 7½	90,093 4 2	18,726 2 2	141,995 16 1
£.		823,291 19 4	14,845 8 6	484,184 6 2½	199,805 9 0	446,398 1 7½

	Impost on several Poundage Goods.	Additional Impost on several Poundage Goods.	Impost on Glass and Earthen Wares, Whale-Fins, and Scotch Linen.	Impost on Leather.	Impost on Paper, expired the 1st March 1689.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
London	- - - 282,761 3 6½	- - - 44,003 2 3½	- - - 11,609 7 0½	- - - 1,626 16 6½	- - - 1,246 5 3½
Out Ports	- - - 26,879 15 5½	- - - 18,522 17 10½	- - - 1,547 18 7	- - - 108 10 —½	- - - 236 10 5½
£.	309,641 2 11½	62,526 0 1½	13,157 5 7½	1,735 6 7½	1,482 15 8½

	Second 25 l. per Cent. &c. on French Goods.	French Tonage Duty.	New Duty on Coals, from the 15 May 1698.	Additional Impost on East India wrought Silk, from Michaelmas 1698.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
London	- - - 10,918 2 6	- - - 252 15 —	- - - 85,123 1 1	- - - 644 8 7
Out Ports	- - - 12,661 12 8½	- - - 188 6 6	- - - 30,184 6 4½	- - - —
£.	23,579 15 2½	441 1 6	115,307 7 5½	644 8 7

£. s. d.

TOTAL of the said Duties from Michaelmas 1698, to Michaelmas 1699 - 1,497,031 7 6½

*Note.* Twelve Out Port Books of this Year being not yet come to the Examiners Hands, are only computed by them by Estimate.

*Memorandum.* That though the Bonds, taken upon Sights of Seven *East India* Ships arriving the last Summer, are not herein mentioned, the said Sights being not yet all completely perfected; nevertheless, inasmuch as those Ships imported within the Period of this Account for 1699, the Duties, arising on the same ought to be comprehended in the Produce of that Year; which Duties, upon examining the Quantities of the several Species, are computed to amount to 163,600 *l.*; whereof about 35,000 *l.* will be applicable to the Customs: Which Addition will raise the Duty very near as high this Year, as ever it advanced to in any former Year.



missioners presume is expected from this Board, is most humbly submitted.

Walter Yonge, C. Godolphin,  
Wm. St. Quintin, Sam. \* \* \*  
T. Newport, Ben. Overton,  
Robert Henley.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Accounts be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of England.

Clandestine  
Trade.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better preventing unlawful and clandestine Trade :

And it is referred to Mr. Godolphin, Sir Wm. St. Quintin, Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Moor, Sir Row. Gwyne, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Couper, Sir Walter Yonge, Mr. Newport, Mr. Henley, or any Five of them, to prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

State of  
Trade.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of England.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Sabbati, 9° die Decembris;

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Hepwood's  
Marriage  
Settlement.

A PETITION of Thomas Hopwood Gentleman, and Elizabeth his Wife, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That, upon the Marriage aforesaid, the Petitioner Thomas did settle his Manor of Milton, in Herefordshire, upon himself for Life, without Impeachment of Waste ; Remainder, to his Wife for Life ; Remainder, to their First and all other Sons, and their Heirs Male ; and for want of Issue Male, to Trustees, to raise Portions for Daughters for 500 Years : That the Petitioners have Two Sons, and Two Daughters ; but by reason of the Limitation of the Term of Years, being after the Limitation to the Issue in Tail Male, the Trust cannot commence, nor any Money be raised to make Provision for younger Children : And praying Leave, may be given to bring in a Bill to rectify the said Mistake in the said Settlement, so as Provision may be made for their younger Children.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition : And, That Mr. Thomas Harley and the Lord Coningsby do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Westminster  
Small Debts.

A Petition of several of the Inhabitants of the Parish of St. Margaret's, within the City of Westminster, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That the Petitioners find by the Votes, That a Bill is brought into this House for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience in the City of Westminster : That the Petitioners conceive, One chief Cause of the Increase of their Poor arises from the many vexatious Suits for Debts under Forty Shillings : And praying, That the said Bill may pass, it being an effectual Remedy to prevent the like Mischiefs.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Housholders, Inhabitants of the City and Liberties of Westminster, in behalf of themselves, and many others, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That the Petitioners observe by the Votes, That there is a Bill depending in this House for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience in the said City and Liberties, for determining Debts under Forty Shillings ;

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which Bill will be a great Ease to the said Inhabitants : And praying, That the said Bill may pass.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Bath, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That making the River Avon navigable from Bristol to Bath, would employ great Numbers of poor People, in those adjacent Parts ; and be a Nursery for his Majesty's Sea Service ; and be a means to convey ponderous Commodities by Water ; and also bring down the Dearness of Provisions, complained of by all Persons that yearly frequent the Bath : And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for making the said River navigable from Bristol to Bath ; the Petitioners being willing, at their own Charge, to undertake the same.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition : And that Mr. Blathwaite and Mr. Popham do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Bill for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretence of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other defective Titles, was, according to Order, read the First time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Monday Morning next.

A Petition of divers Persons, on behalf of themselves and others, unto whom are now due great Sums of Money upon the Credit of the late Malt Lottery Act, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That it is provided by the said Act, That if the Monies arising by the Duties upon Malt should not amount to the net Sum of 1,515,000*l.* before the 29th of September 1699 ; That then the Deficiency should be made good out of the First Aid to be granted in the then next Session of Parliament : That the said 29th of September is elapsed, and there is a great Deficiency of the said 1,515,000*l.* : And praying, That the House will make good the Deficiency in such manner as is mentioned in the said Act.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Secretary Vernon, by his Majesty's Command, presented to the House a State of the Debt due to the Prince of Denmark.

And the same was read ; and is as followeth ; viz.

The late Duke of Holstein being dispossessed of his Country by the late King of Denmark, in the Year 1684 ; he was restored to it again by the Treaty of Altena, concluded the 20th of June 1689.

The third Article of the said Treaty takes notice, That the Island of Femeren, with the Lands and Baillages of Steinhorst, Tremsbittel, and Trittau, were mortgaged to the King of Denmark ; and it was insisted on, That they should be restored to the Duke, free of all Incumbrances : And, by the said Article, the King of Denmark agrees to the immediate Restitution of the Baillage of Trittau ; but, as to the Island of Femeren, with the Baillages of Tremsbittel, and Steinhorst, it appearing, That the King of Denmark could not dispose of them, since they were in the Possession of his Brother, Prince George of Denmark.

That there might be no Obstruction, upon that Account, to the Settlement of Peace in those Parts ; the Mediators took upon themselves to find out the Means, whereby the Prince of Denmark should have Satisfaction given him for his Mortgage, without having any Recourse for it to his Brother : The said Mediators did likewise undertake to procure the Prince of Denmark's Consent, That the said Island and Baillages should be restored to the Duke of Holstein, clear of all Debts and Demands.

The Benefit of the said Mortgages was given to Prince George

*George of Denmark*, by his Father's Will; and, upon his Marriage with the Princess, they were settled upon the Issue of that Marriage.

The Execution of the Treaty of *Altena* stuck, for some time, at the Performance of this Article; and a War was just ready to break out between *Sweden* and *Denmark*, which would have involved all the neighbouring Countries, if his Majesty had not prevented it, by engaging the Prince of *Denmark* to deliver up the said Island and Baillages, upon his Majesty's Promises, That he would take care to see that Debt discharged.

This Transaction passed thro' the Hands of the Earl of *Nottingham*, then Secretary of State; who informed his Majesty, of the great Deference the Prince shewed to whatever his Majesty thought necessary for the public Good; and, That he was very willing to rely on the Assurances his Majesty had given him for his Security; and accordingly he signed the Instrument for the delivering up the said Places, as soon as required: Whereupon the Treaty had its full Effect, and the Troubles of the *North* were appeased, to the great Advantage of the common Alliance, which was very much strengthened by the Troops of those Princes: But it still remained, to adjust what was due to the Prince of *Denmark*; which was referred to a Negotiation at the *Hague*, that was not concluded till July 1691. The Agent for the Prince made a Demand of above 400,000 Rixdollars, as justly due to him; but it was moderated to 340,000 Rixdollars; amounting to 85,000 *l.* Sterling.

His Majesty had considered, That, this, being an Agreement made for the publick Good, ought not to be borne by *England* only; which the States General were likewise convinced of, and were willing to pay one Fourth Part of the Sum; and thought the Emperor, and some other Princes, ought to pay another Fourth Part: But, after the ready Compliance the Prince of *Denmark* had shewn, his Majesty did not think it proper, That he should be left to solicit any Part of his Payment from the States, or those other Princes; but thought fit to take that Part upon himself.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, take the State of the said Debt into Consideration.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker leit the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Lune*, 11° die *Decembris*;

11° *Gulielmi Tertii*.

PRAYERS.

Westminster  
Small Debts.

**ORDERED**, That the Bill for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience in the City of *Westminster*, and the Liberties thereof, be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next, in a full House.

Dorrell's  
Claim.

A Petition of *John Dorrell* Gentleman, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner complained to this House the last Session, That Colonel *Collumbine* would not pay the Petitioner what was due to him for his Service, as an Ensign, in his Regiment, Vol. 13.

and for Money lent the Regiment; which was referred to a Committee; before whom the said Colonel promised to pay the Petitioner; notwithstanding which, he hath not yet done it, though he has long since received the Money from his Majesty: And praying Relief in the Premises.

And the House being informed, That Colonel *Collumbine* was in *Ireland*;

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Conningsby* do acquaint the said Colonel *Collumbine* with the said Petition; and that, in case he do not take care to pay the said Money forthwith, That this House will proceed upon the said Petition.

A Bill for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretences of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other defective Titles, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

Defective  
Titles.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Hughes*, Lord *Conningsby*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Weston*, Sir *Cha. Shuckborow*, Mr. *Barnardiston*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Sir *Fran. Child*, Lord *Orrery*, Sir *Edward Hussey*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Palmer*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Thursby*, Sir *Jo. Houblon*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Worsley*, Sir *Theop. Oglethorp*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Duncomb*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Calthrop*, Mr. *Jervoise*, Sir *John Phillips*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Cha. Turner*, Mr. *Popham*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Winnington*, Mr. *Blofeld*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet To-morrow, at Four a Clock in the Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of the Incomes and Issues of the publick Revenues from *Michaelmas* 1698, to *Michaelmas* 1699.

Incomes and  
Issues of the  
Revenue.

And the Title thereof was read.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

The Account is in a Book by itself.

The House was called over, according to Order:

Call of the  
House.

And afterwards, the Names of such as made Default to appear, were again called over; and several of them were excused; some upon Account of Sickness in the Country; and others, in Town; and others, upon Account of very extraordinary Occasions.

And several were not excused of their Attendance, upon the Question severally put upon them; viz. Sir *Edmund Denton* Baronet, *James Buller* Esquire, *Henry Mannaton* Esquire, *Wm. Harris* Esquire, *Nathanael Nappier* Esquire, *Henry Henley* Esquire, *Tobias Jenkins* Esquire, *John Aislaby* Esquire, *Jonathan Jennings* Esquire, *John Bright* Esquire, and *John Machell* Esquire.

And the House having before ordered, That such Members as did not attend, upon the Call thereof, should be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms;

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, to take the said Sir *Edmund Denton* Baronet, *James Buller* Esquire, *Henry Mannaton* Esquire, *William Harris* Esquire, *Nathanael Nappier* Esquire, *Henry Henley* Esquire, *Tobias Jenkins* Esquire, *John Aislaby* Esquire, *Jonathan Jennings* Esquire, *John Bright* Esquire, and *John Machell* Esquire, into his Custody, according to the said Order, for not attending their Service in Parliament.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.



Martis, 12<sup>o</sup> die Decembris;11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament, be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

## PRAYERS.

Hopwood's  
Marriage  
Settlement.

MR. *Harkley*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for rectifying a Mistake in the Marriage Settlement of *Thomas Hopwood* Gentleman on *Elizabeth* his Wife; in order to raise Portions for younger Children, and to pay Debts: And the same was received, and read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bright*, in Custody of the Serjeant

Ordered, That the Constables in waiting do take care there be no Gaming, or other Disorders, in *Westminster-hall*, during the Sitting of Parliament; and that there be no Annoyance by Chairmen, or otherwise, thereabouts.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of the Deficiencies not already provided for.

And the Title thereof was read.

And the said ACCOUNT is as followeth; viz.

In the Session of Parliament holden on the 22nd of *November* 1695, several Duties on Low Wines were granted for Five Years, from *Lady-day* 1696, with a Clause of Credit not exceeding 70,000 *l.* at several Rates of Interest; viz. 6 *l.* per Cent. per Ann. for the First 40,000 *l.*; and 7 *l.* per Cent. per Ann. for the Residue; whereupon there was borrowed at the Exchequer the Sum of 69,959 *l.* 16 *s.* 6 *d.*; and there hath been repaid of the Principal Money, besides Interest, 39,760 *l.*; and there remains unpaid of the principal Sum 30,199 *l.* 16 *s.* 6 *d.*: The Term will end at *Lady-day* 1701, and then, by Estimation, this Fund will be deficient - -

£. s. d.

10,000 — —

In the Session of Parliament holden on the 20th *October* 1696, several Powers are given to make forth Bills of Credit, commonly called the Exchequer Bills, for 2,700,000 *l.* with Interest at the Rate of 7 *l.* 12 *s.* 1 *d.* per Cent. per Ann. which Interest is borne only when the said Bills are not in the publick Receipts, and the said Bills were to be satisfied and cancelled upon several Funds; the Deficiencies whereof are computed in the Paper hereunto annexed, and do amount, besides Interest due and to grow due upon the Bills yet uncanceled, to the Sum of - -

847,546 6 5

In the same Session a Land-Tax of 3 *s.* in the Pound was granted to his Majesty, with a Clause of Credit for 1,500,000 *l.* at 8 *l.* per Cent. Interest; which was borrowed, and 1,076,901 *l.* of the Principal is repaid; and the Principal Money besides Interest, unpaid, upon the Register for this Tax, is 423,099 *l.*: towards which the Arrears standing out in the Hands of Receivers or Collectors, who have not accounted, do amount to about 15,000 *l.*: So the Deficiency of this Tax, besides Interest, is - -

408,099 — —

In the same Session several Duties were granted upon Paper and Parchment, for Two Years, ended the 1st Day of *March* 1698, with a Clause of Credit; whereupon 30,000 *l.* was borrowed at 8 *l.* per Cent. to encourage bringing in Plate to be coined: The said Duties have paid off 14,600 *l.* besides Interest; and the Principal Money remaining unsatisfied, at 8 *l.* per Cent. per Ann. is - -

15,400 — —

In the same Session certain duties were imposed on Leather for Three Years, from the 20th *April* 1697, and appropriated to pay off 564,700 *l.* which had been lent on the Coal Duties taken away by another Act, and the Interest thereof; upon which Principal Sum there now remains unsatisfied the Sum of 504,438 *l.*: And the net Produce of the Duties on Leather being about 80,000 *l.* per Ann. the same may, by the 20th *April* 1700, with some Arrears, produce about 30,000 *l.* more; And then the Deficiency will be about - -

474,438 — —

Memorandum. It is enacted, *Page* 430. That if the Duties on Leather fall short, the Deficiency shall be made good out of the next Aid to be granted, after the End of the said Three Years.

In the same Session certain Duties were laid upon Malt, Mum, Sweets, Cyder, and Perry, from the 20th *April* 1697, to the 20th *July* 1699; with a Power to borrow by Tallies 200,000 *l.* at 8 *l.* per Cent. per Annum Interest; and to make out such a Number of 10 *l.* Tickets as, together with such Loans as were to be repaid out of the said Duties, might not exceed in the Whole the Sum of 1,400,000 *l.*; by virtue whereof there was borrowed 200,000 *l.*; and the Sum of 17,930 *l.* Part of the said Principal Money, was repaid by Money contributed for Tickets; and the Remainder, being 182,070 *l.* with the Interest thereof, was repaid out of the said Duties; so that there was made forth, in the said 10 *l.* Tickets, 1,217,930 *l.* bearing Interest at 3 *l.* 16 *s.* 0 *d.* per Ann. and the Benefits attending them amounted . . . 45,810 *l.*; in both, 1,263,740 *l.* whereof the Principal Sum upon the said Ten Pound Tickets paid off to this Day, amounts to - -

£. s. d.

610,000 — —

Memorandum. 32,021 *l.* 2 *s.* 3 *d.* hath been paid for Interest of that Sum.

And the Benefit Tickets paid off have amounted to - - - 22,785 — —

In both - - - 632,785 — —

So there remains unsatisfied, for Principal upon the said 10 *l.* Tickets, the Sum of - - - 607,930 — —

And for Interest and additional Interest thereof, by Estimation - - - 60,000 — —

And for Principal upon the Benefits - - - 23,025 — —

In all - - - 690,955 — —

Towards which there is in the Exchequer - - - 9,175 — 2

In the Hands of the Paymaster for the said Tickets - - - 693 17 10

In the Hands of Collectors of Excise, per Estimation - - - 51,007 13 8  $\frac{1}{2}$

In all to be deducted - - - 60,876 11 8  $\frac{1}{2}$

And then the Deficiency upon the said Tickets, besides the Interest, and the additional Interest growing due thereupon, will amount to - - - 630,078 8 3  $\frac{1}{2}$

Memorandum,

*Memorandum*, There is a Clause, Page 453. That if the Malt Duties did not produce into the Exchequer, before the 20th of April 98, the Sum of 800,000*l.* then the Deficiency to make up 800,000*l.* should be supplied out of the First Aid to be granted after the 20th April 1698; and if the Malt Duties before the 29th of September 1699, with the Money in the mean time to be supplied as aforesaid, should not amount to 1,515,000*l.* then so much as would make up 1,515,000*l.* should be made good out of the First Aid to be granted after the 29th of September 1699.

In the Session of Parliament holden by Prorogation on the 3d of December 1697, a Quarterly Poll for One Year was granted to his Majesty; and by a Clause of Credit thereupon, the Sum of 500,000*l.* hath been borrowed at 7*l.* per Cent. for the First 250,000*l.* and 8*l.* per Cent. for the remaining 250,000*l.*: This Poll, by Estimate, will make about 323,469*l.* 16*s.* 7*d.* And then there will be wanting, for Principal, besides Interest

There is due, to complete the Million Lottery Annuity to *Michaelmas* 1699, the Sum of

In all, the Sum of

In relation to the Bills commonly called Exchequer Bills.  
In the Session of Parliament holden by Prorogation on the 20th Day of October 1696, several subsidies, commonly called the Capitation Duties, were granted to his Majesty for One Year, with Power to issue Bills thereupon for any Sum not exceeding 150,000*l.*; which Bills to that Value were made forth and bear Interest at the Rate of 5*d.* a Day for every 100*l.* when they are not in public Receipts: The whole Sum, arisen by the said Subsidies, or Capitation Duties, into the Exchequer to this Time, doth amount to 589,728*l.* 16*s.* 2*½d.*; and the Principal Money, upon cancelled Bills satisfied out of the same, doth amount to

In the same Session there was granted to his Majesty an Aid of 1*s.* in the Pound upon Land, payable in the Year 1697; and a further Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage for Two Years and Three Quarters ending the First of February 1699; with Power to make forth more Bills for any Sum not exceeding 120,000*l.* at the like Interest; which Bills are also issued out, and the Money hitherto risen into the Exchequer, by the said 1*s.* in the Pound upon Land, hath amounted to 417,906*l.* 11*s.* 1*d.*; and by the Subsidy, of Tonage and Poundage, to 673,689*l.* 9*s.* 7*½d.*; out of which Two Sums last mentioned there has been cancelled as many Bills as in Principal Money amount to

There was a Credit given on the Aid of 3*s.* in the Pound upon Land, payable in the Year 1698, for 1,400,000*l.*; and it was thereby enacted, That, after the Sums therein mentioned should be satisfied or transferred, the Loans for the remaining Part of the said 1,400,000*l.* might be made in Exchequer Bills, or in Money to buy Bills; and that such Bills should be cancelled; by virtue of which Clause as many Bills have been cancelled as amount in Principal Money to

Total of the Principal Money on the Bills cancelled

Which Sum, being deducted out of 2,700,000*l.* doth give the Remainder, in Principal Money, of the Bills now standing out; to wit

Towards which there do remain the Particulars following; viz.  
Capitation Money now resting in the Exchequer  
Arrears standing out upon Capitation Act in the Hands of particular Receivers and Collectors, who have not accounted, about  
And on the said 12*d.* in the Pound upon Land, about  
And there remains in the Exchequer, of the said 12*d.* in the Pound, at this Day  
The Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage, to 1st February next, with such Bonds as may then be standing out, may make  
And the Money remaining in the Exchequer of this Subsidy amounts to  
The Remainder, not yet applied, of the Credit upon the Land Tax Anno 1698, is

Total to be deducted

And then there is, and will be, deficient to clear all the said Bills, besides all Interest now due, and hereafter to grow due, upon the Bills remaining uncanceled

*Memorandum*. In the Act for 1,500,000*l.* Bills there is a Clause, Page 132, That if the Aids or Supplies therein mentioned should be deficient to raise the said 1,500,000*l.*; such Deficiency should, in the first Place, be made good and supplied, out of any the Monies that should be raised by any Act or Acts of the then next Session of Parliament.

And by another Clause in the Act for the said 1,200,000*l.* Bills, Page 521, it is enacted, That all the Bills which should not be cancelled by the Produce of the Funds or Supplies therein mentioned, by the 25th of March 1699, should be satisfied, as well by the Arrears of those Funds, as out of the Monies which should arise by any Aids to be granted in the then next Session of Parliament.

Wm. Lowndes.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Account be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Avon  
Navigation.

A Petition of Doctor *Robert Woodward*, *John Pain*, and *Wingfeild Brockwell*, in behalf of themselves, and several others concerned in the Undertaking for making the River *Avon* navigable, from *Christ Church* in the County of *Southampton*, to the City of *New Sarum* in the County of *Wilts*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are, by virtue of an Act of Parliament made in the 16th and 17th *Car. 2di*, and by several Commissions under the Great Seal of *England*, constituted Commissioners for making the said River navigable, and to receive the Advantages thereby; but the Petitioners meet with great Difficulties in executing the Powers, and recovering the Penalties, in the said Act, by reason of several Defects therein: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for making the said Act more effectual.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that *Mr. Smith*, *Mr. Jervoise*, and *Mr. Eyre*, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of *Thomas Earl of Eimerick* of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, was presented to the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the *Irish Forfeitures* do give an Account to this House, pursuant to the Act passed the last Session.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

A Petition of *Jacob Massey*, and others, *Frenchmen*, and Merchant Jewellers of the City of *Paris*, in the Kingdom of *France*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners intrusted one *Feiting*, a *Dutchman*, with 700 Pounds worth of Diamonds, to be wrought and polished; but *Feiting* ran away with the Diamonds, and the Petitioners got him arrested in *London*: After which *Feiting* turned himself, by *Habeas Corpus*, to the *Fleet*; from whence *Mr. Ford*, the Warden, let him voluntarily escape beyond Seas, for 20 Guineas, as informed; so that, though the Petitioner *Massey*, by a Writ of Inquiry, hath recovered 310*l.* Damages, he cannot charge *Feiting* in Execution: and praying Relief against the Warden of the *Fleet*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom it is referred to inspect the Journals of the last Session, relating to the Abuses of the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Ordered*, That a Report be made from the said Committee of any Matters before them, as the same shall be dispatched from time to time.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of *John Armstrong*, and others, in behalf of themselves, and others, reduced out of the Honourable Brigadier *Langston's* Regiment of Horse since the happy Conclusion of the Peace, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, upon the said Reducement, were intitled to their Horses, or the Value of them, by virtue of his Majesty's Order; but their Officers have kept them, without any Consideration; although many of the Petitioners brought their own Horses into the Service: That their Officers have also stopped 10 or 11*l.* a Man, per Ann. out of their Subsistence during the Wars; and notwithstanding a late Act of Parliament to compel the Officers to account with their Soldiers, they will not give the Petitioners any Account: And praying some further Relief in the Premises; Brigadier *Langston*, and his Officers, being in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of

*Richard Nicholl's*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

The House being acquainted, That *Mr. Bennet*, Auditor of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, attended at the Door;

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House an Account of all Grants in the said Duchy since the 27th Day of March last; together with the Petitions on which the same were made.

And then he withdrew.

And the Title thereof was read.

And the Account is as followeth; viz.

10th of October last.

In the Counties of *Lincoln*, *York*, *Lancaster*, *Leicester*, *Stafford*, *Kent*, *Southampton*, *Sussex*, *Dorset*.

To *John Bennet* Esquire, as to Part, for 31 Years in Possession; as to other Part, for so many Years in Reversion, as will make up the present Term now in being 31 Years; the Premises following.

The Rents reserved to the King being the same as formerly reserved for the same.

	£.	s.	d.
Three Cottages, and Eleven Acres, in <i>Whitlyes</i> - - - - -	2	11	8
Nineteen Acres, Three Roods, in <i>Claythorp</i> - - - - -	1	0	0
The Site of the Castle of <i>Bullingbrook</i>	0	10	0
Thirty-three Acres in <i>Whitten</i> and <i>Friskney</i> - - - - -	1	17	6
The Tolls of <i>Salford</i> - - - - -	2	6	8
Felons Goods in the County Palatine	5	0	0
A common Oven in <i>Leicester</i> - - - - -	2	0	0
The Hay made in <i>Hall Meadow</i> - - - - -	2	4	0
Two Tenements in <i>Ravenstone</i> - - - - -	0	10	0
Several Cottages near, and in <i>Leicester</i>	6	18	8
Coal-mines in <i>Shulton</i> and <i>Hanley</i> - - - - -	4	10	6
Fines at Sessions in <i>Newcastle</i> - - - - -	0	13	4
A Garden near <i>Tutbury Castle</i> - - - - -	0	5	0
The Feodary in Rent - - - - -	0	13	10½
<i>How Park</i> alias <i>Somborne</i> - - - - -	30	0	0
The Green Wax in <i>Sussex</i> - - - - -	2	0	0
Feodary and Ball. in <i>Dorset</i> , &c. - - - - -	1	0	0
Total	64	1	2½

24th March 1698.

In the Counties of *Hertford*, *Essex*, *Middlesex*, and *Sussex*.

To *John Warner* and *John Hasell*, their Heirs and Assigns, in Trust for *Charles Earl of Dorset*, and his Heirs, the Premises following:

Several Fee-farm Rents; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
<i>Hartingfordbury Woods</i> - - - - -	3	4	3½
<i>Pleshie Park</i> - - - - -	6	13	4
Free Chapel of <i>Dunmow</i> - - - - -	3	6	8
<i>Clarret Hall Mill</i> - - - - -	2	0	0
Parcel of the Demesnes of <i>Endfeild</i> - - - - -	3	0	0
Rape of <i>Pecensey</i> - - - - -	0	13	4
Total	18	17	7½

Nothing of these remains to the King.

24 March 1698.

In the County of *Essex*, to the Earl of *Dorset*, his Heirs and Assigns;

The Fee-farm Rent of the Manor of *High Easter* - - - - - } 85 8 9½

Whereof nothing remains to the King.

These Two Grants, to the Earl of *Dorset*, were not inrolled before me till the 23d of September and 23d of November last; and therefore were not inserted in my former Account to this Honourable House.

This,

This, pursuant to an Order of the Honourable House of Commons, dated 7th December instant, is humbly presented,

per *Jo. Bennett*, Auditor.

The said Petition; viz.

To the Right Honourable the Earl of *Stamford*, Chancellor of his Majesty's Duchy and County Palatine of *Lancaster*, and One of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council;

The humble Petition of *John Bennett* Esquire, Humbly sheweth,

That there are several Cottages, and small Parcels of Land, and other Premises, under small Rents, in several Counties, within the said Duchy and County Palatine, which have been out of Lease for some time; and being of small Value, nobody will be at the Charge of passing Leases thereof; by Reason of the double Stamp, and other Charges in passing thereof; and if some Care be not taken to let the same in time, those Rents may be lost, and the Premises concealed, to his Majesty's Loss and Damage thereby: To prevent which, And for that your Petitioner hath served his Majesty, and his Predecessors, near Twenty Years, in the said Duchy, and never had any Grant or Reward for his Services; Your Petitioner humbly begs your Lordship's Favour to grant him a Lease of the Premises, contained in a Paper hereunto annexed; Part whereof, being Reversions, though of small Value, yet together may compensate the Charges of passing the Lease of them with the others, and oblige your Petitioner,

*Jo. Bennett.*

An Account of what is desired by Mr. *Bennett's* Petition to be leased to him.

In the County of *York*: 3 Cottages, and 11 Acres of Land in *Whitley*, for 31 Years, at the present Rent reserved to the King

£. s. d.  
2 11 8

This has been out of Lease for some time; and nobody would be at the Charge of passing a Lease thereof, to have it; being of so inconsiderable Value.

In the County of *Lincoln*: 19 Acres, a half, and one Rood of plowed Land in *Claythorpe*, for 31 Years, at

1 0 0

Improved Rent 1 l. 10 s.

This likewise has been out of Lease for some Time; and no one would be at the Charge of passing a Lease of it; being of so inconsiderable Value.

*Lincoln*: The Site of the Castle of *Bolingbrook*, for 31 Years, at

0 10 0

No one would ever take a Lease of it, it is of so little Value; and it is claimed by Queen Dowager, as Part of her Jointure; and he that now is in Possession, and his Father before him, have rented it at 10 s. per Annum for above 30 Years past.

*Lincoln*: Four Dales, containing 30 Acres in *Whitten*, and Three Acres in *Friskney* which often lie under Water, and may be so at this time, for 31 Years, at

1 17 6

This hath been out of Lease for some time; and, I fear, under Water; no Profit made thereof; no Rent paid for many Years; nor can I hear, where those 4 Dales are, nor in whose Possession.

*Lancaster*: The Tolls of Fairs and Markets in *Salford*, for 31 Years, at

2 6 8

There is no Market, but Two Fairs; and little now brought to the Fairs; but most Things are disposed of in *Manchester*, which adjoins to *Salford*; and by reason thereof, and the Charge of

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Stalls, and collecting the Tolls, no Rent has been paid for some Years.

*Lanc.*: Felons Goods in the County Palatine for 15 Years, after 16 Years at the present Rent reserved to the King

£. s. d. Grants from the Crown.

5 0 0

This is very uncertain, being Accidentals; and some Years will not answer the Rent; other Years make up the Defect of preceding Years, with some Overplus; but always uncertain.

*Leicester*: A common Oven, for 28 Years, after 3 Years, at

2 0 0

Improved Rent, 2 l.

*Leicester*: The Hay made of the Grass in the Meadow called *Hall Meadow*, for 31 Years, at

2 4 0

The Charge of making the Hay, the King's Rent and the Fees to Stewards, Auditors, Receivers, and other Expences charged thereupon at the Audit; it being, beyond the Memory of Man, reserved for the Steward, Auditors, and Receivers Horses at the Audit; and this Lease taken, as others were for the same Uses.

*Leicester*: Two Tenements, one *Ravenstone*, and the other in *Leicester*, for 28 Years, after 3 Years, at

0 10 0

Improved Rent, 1 l. 10 s.

*Leicester*: Several Cottages in and near *Leicester* for 15 Years, after 16 Years, at

6 18 8

Improved Rent, 4 l.

These are very much out of Repair, and poor People.

*Staffordshire*: Coal Mines in *Shulton* and *Hanley*, in the Manor of *Newcastle under Lyne*, for 12 Years and  $\frac{1}{2}$ , after 18 $\frac{1}{2}$  Years, at

4 10 6

Improvements uncertain.

The Value of these are very uncertain, being more or less as they are worked, and the Stock and Charge of working them great; and none will take them to work them without considerable Profit to themselves; and the Rent to the King is increased double what they were formerly lett for; so that they will be but of little Value to the King's Farmer; and the present Tenant complains, That his Father was ruined by the Working thereof; and, besides, the Queen Dowager lays some Claim, as to Part thereof.

*Staff.*: Fines and Amerciaments at the Sessions in *Newcastle under Line*, for 27 Years, after 4 Years, at

0 13 4

They are of little or no Value, scarce worth the Rent.

*Staff.*: A Garden near the Castle of *Tutbery*, for 31 Years, at

0 5 0

This is claimed to be within Sir *Edward Smith's* Grant of the Castle, Ditches, &c.; and, if it be, he will not pass by the Lease.

*Kent*: The Office of Feodar, &c. there, for 31 Years, at

0 13 10

Improvement, 1 l. 10 s.

The Charge of keeping this Court is as much as this is worth.

*Southampton*: *Somborne Park*, for 8 Years and a half, after 22 Years and a half, at

30 0 0

Improvement, 50 l.

There is another Lease in being, though not inrolled, for Seven Years and a

half;



half; so that then it is but for One Year after 30 Years.

*Sussex*: The Green Wax within the } £. s. d.  
Duchy of *Lancaster* in that County, for } 2 0 0  
15 Years, after 16, at - - - }

There hath been no Profit made thereof, nor the Rent paid to the King, for Ten Years past.

*Dorsett and Wilts*: Feodar and Ball. } 1 0 0  
in the said Counties, for 15 Years, after }  
16, at - - - - - }

There hath been no Profit made thereof, nor Rent paid to the King, for Ten Years past.

*Jo. Bennett.*

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

King's Share of Prizes.

*Ordered*, That an Account be laid before this House of the King's Share of all the Prizes taken during the War; and how the same have been disposed of.

Blackwell-hall Cloth Market.

A Bill for the more effectual Execution of an Act, intituled, An Act to restore the Market at *Blackwell-hall* to the Clothiers; and for regulating the Factors there; was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

Exporting Wool.

A Petition of the Clothiers and Weavers of the Borough of *Newberry* in the County of *Berks*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, since the Prohibition of our Woollen Manufactures in *Flanders*, so great Stocks of Cloth remain upon the Petitioners Hands, that they are not able to employ their numerous Work-people; who are thereby reduced to very great Hardships: That by the many Advantages foreign Woollen Manufactures have, in the easy Price of Oil, Soap, and Dying-stuff, which adds to their cheap Workmanship, our Cloathing Trade is in Danger of being transplanted: And praying, That the Decay of our Woollen Trade may be taken into Consideration; and that the Petitioners may be some way relieved in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom it was referred to consider what has been done upon former Laws against the Exportation of Wool; and for encouraging the Woollen Manufactures; and to report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Debt due to Prince of Denmark.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the State of the Debt due to the Prince of *Denmark*.

And the said State was again read.

*Resolved*, That the Consideration of the said State of the Debt due to the Prince of *Denmark* be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, That he will please to direct, That a Copy of the Treaty of *Altena*, between the King of *Denmark* and Duke of *Holstein*, and all other Matters relating to the Debt due to the Prince of *Denmark*, may be laid before this House.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii, 13<sup>o</sup> die Decembris;*

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Master, Wardens, and Assistants, of the Company of Weavers in the City of *Canterbury*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners sole Trade depended on the Manufacturing of wrought Silks, and Silks mixed with Wool; of which there is so great a Decay, by the vast Importations, and Home Consumption of *India* wrought Silks and Stuffs, that it has reduced great Numbers of the *English* Manufacturers to the greatest Extremity; and almost ruined the said Trade: And praying, That the Home Consumption, if not a Prohibition of Importation, of the said foreign wrought Silks and Stuffs, may be prevented.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Buller*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament, be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

A Petition of *James Brogan*, and others, in behalf of themselves, and others, reduced out of the Regiment of the *Inniskillen* Regiment Dragoons, commanded by the Honourable Colonel *Charles Rose*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That contrary to his Majesty's Orders, upon their Reducement, their Officers have detained their Horses, and also about 5*l.* per Man per Annum out of the Petitioners Subsistence for 4 Years last, and never have accounted for Off-reckonings since the War; and, by Combination, refuse to give the Petitioners any Account, notwithstanding a late Act to oblige them thereto: And praying the further . . . of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Henry Boysett*, and several others, in behalf of themselves, and a great many more disbanded and reduced Soldiers, or otherwise discharged, both Horse and Foot, who faithfully served his Majesty in the late Wars, and in the particular Regiments therein mentioned, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, when the Petitioners were severally discharged the Service, they demanded an Account of their Arrears, and the Horsemen their Horses, or Satisfaction, according to his Majesty's Orders; but, instead thereof, many were stript of their Cloaths, turned out without their Horses, or any Account, and without a Farthing Subsistence to carry them home; and others forced by Threats and Punishments, to give Discharges in full for Subsistence, though they had not received it; and now after the Fatigue of a long War, not having wherewith to recover their Rights against their Officers by Law, they and their Families are in a starving Condition: And praying the House to take some speedy Course, That the Petitioners Officers may make up their Accounts, and pay what is justly due thereupon.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do take care, That the Soldiers be at no Charge, either to Solicitors, or otherwise, in relation to their petitioning, and attending this House.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That it be also an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do, in the first Place, consider of, and report to the House, what they conceive fit to be done for the Relief of the Soldiers in general.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of Captain *Martin Laycock*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner having spent his Blood, and Substance, in curing his Wounds, in the Service of this Government, and undergone as great Hardships as Fire, Water, Famine, Sword, and Imprisonment, can inflict; yet he has received no Recompence for it, though he had Two Orders for that Purpose, and an Order of the Treasury for 100*l.* per Annum Pension; nor so much as Half-pay, though in Service the 10th of September 1697, because his Name was not upon the Muster-roll, and voted upon Half-pay by this House the 18th of April last; nor 668*l.* 14*s.* 8½*d.* stated by the late Commissioners for publick Accounts to be due to the Petitioner, before he went last into *Flanders*; nor 400*l.* due to him as Exccutor to his Uncle Captain *Beilby*, for his Service in the Lord *Douglas's* Regiment, though his said Uncle's Burial cost 60*l.* by his Direction; by all which means, the Petitioner is run above 300*l.* in Debt, and his Family now in want of all Necessaries for this Life: And praying the House to grant him such speedy Redress in the Premises, as they shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee: And that they do particularly examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House, with all convenient Speed.

Restoring  
Fitzharris's  
Estate.

A Petition of Sir *Henry Fitzharris* Baronet, Grandson and Heir of Sir *Edward Fitzharris* Baronet, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That in the Acts of Settlement of *Irish* Forfeitures there are several Provisions for the Restitution of innocent Protestants and Papists to their Estates; and the Petitioner's Grandfather did clear his innocence; yet neither he, nor the Petitioner, were restored to the Estate of their Family; for which Reason the Petitioner did petition the last Parliament here, for Leave to bring in a Bill for restoring him to his paternal Estate, and to make Provision for his Mother and Sister; which was referred to a Committee; who reported, That the Petitioner had just Right and Title to be restored; but the House then having weighty Affairs before them, the Session ended before the House came to any Resolution thereupon: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for restoring him to his paternal Estate, and making Provision for his Mother and Sister.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same to the House, with their Opinion, Whether they conceive it fit that a Bill should be brought in, according to the Prayer of the said Petition.

And it is referred to Sir *John Packinton*, Mr. *Barnardiston*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Hamond*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Herne*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Sir *Cha. Windham*, Sir *Willoby Hickman*, Sir *Wm. Cooper*, Mr. *Palmer*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Colonel *Lee*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Eyres*, Sir *Tho. Willoughby*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Proby*, Lord *Couningsby*, Mr. *Paget*, Mr. *Milbank*, Mr. *Harvy*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Sir *Abstrup. Danby*, Sir *Tho. Grosvesnor*, Mr. *Clark*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Dee  
Navigation.

A Bill to enable the Mayor and Citizens of the City of *Chester* to recover, and preserve, the Navigation upon the River *Dee*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Joseph Jekyll*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Sir *Tho. Grosvesnor*, Mr. *Guy*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Sir *Fra. Molyneux*, Sir *Henry Goff*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Mostyn*, Sir *William Glynn*, Sir *John Conway*, Sir *Geo. Cooke*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Jolliffe*, Mr. *Perry*; and all the Members that

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serve for the Counties of *York*, *Lancaster*, *Chester*, and *North Wales*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of all Grants made since the 18th Day of March last, together with the Petitions and Papers upon which the same were granted; and also an Account, as far as it hath come to his Knowledge, of the Names of the cestuique Trusts.

And the Title of the Account was read.

And the Account is as followeth; viz.

An Account of Grants made since the 18th March 1698.

March 1698. A Lease unto *John Powney* Esquire, in Consideration of the Sum of Eighty Pounds paid into the Exchequer, to purchase Lands for his Majesty's Park at *Windsor*, and of a Conveyance from the said *John Powney* to the King of several Parcels of Land to be laid into his Majesty's said Park, of the several Farms and Lands called the Site of the Manor of *Old and New Windsor*, in the County of *Berks*, and *Mustian's* Farm at *Eaton*, in the County of *Bucks*, to hold for 99 Years from the Date, concurrent with such Term or Terms as are in being in the Premises, or any Part thereof; reserving the Rents of 6*s.* 8*d.* and 8*s.* 4*d.* per Annum; with a Clause for discharging the Lessee from the Rent of 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* and 3*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.* per Annum, reserved and payable by the Leases in being, of the Premises, wherein several long Terms are yet to come; and also a Grant of the yearly Rent of 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* payable out of the Rectory of *Old and New Windsor*; to hold to the said *John Powney*, his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Upon a Surrender made to his Majesty by *Wm. Van Hulse* Esquire, of the Grant to him of the Office of Post, or Carrier of all his Majesty's Letters and Dispatches between the Court or Palace of Residence, and the First Post Stage, or Post Office, of the Postmaster General, with the usual Allowance of 10*s.* a Day; his Majesty grants the said Office to the said *William Van Hulse*, during his Life, with an Allowance of 20*s.* a Day, payable quarterly from *Christmas* last 1698, by the Postmaster General, who is thereby authorized to pay, unto the said *Wm. Van Hulse*, so much as will make up his Allowance, by the said former Grant, 20*s.* a Day, from *Michaelmas* 1697, to *Christmas* last aforesaid.

Upon a Surrender made by *Peter Guenon de Beaubisson*, who is Keeper of his Majesty's private Armoury, Bows, and Setting Dogs, of all Salaries any ways payable to him at the Exchequer and on the Establishment of the Houshold, and all Arrears thereof, to *Christmas* 1697; his Majesty, by Privy Seal, directs Payment to be made to him, at the Exchequer, of the Sum of 380*l.* per Annum from *Christmas* 1697, in lieu of all other Salaries or Allowances in respect of those Offices, except a Salary of 50*l.* per Annum, in the Office of the Ordnance, and Bills of Riding Charges, payable in the Treasurer of the Chamber's Office; to be paid to the said *Beaubisson* during his Continuance in the said Offices or Employments.

April 1699. A privy Seal, to pay *William Brockett* Esquire, the Annuity or Pension of 400*l.* per Annum, out of the Revenues arising by the General Letter Office, or Post Office, from *Michaelmas* 98; during his Majesty's Pleasure.

A Grant to *John Mitchell* Esquire, and his Heirs for ever, of Three Tenements, Lands, Grounds, and Hereditaments, lying in *Old Windsor* in the County of *Berks*, sometime in the Tenure of *John Martin*, and now in Lease to *William Gwynn* and *John Loving* Esquires, at the yearly Rent of 10*l.*: And all that Messuage or Mansion-house called *Walton's Mease*, in *Old Windsor* aforesaid, with an Orchard thereunto adjoining, lately demised to the said *John Mitchell*, at the yearly Rent of 4*l.*: And also of the said yearly Rents of 10*l.* and 4*l.* per Annum, reserved; *habendum* in Fee, rendering to his Majesty the Rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* per Annum for the Three Tenements in *Old Windsor*, and 10*s.* for *Walton's Mease*:

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Which

Grants from  
the Crown.

Which Grant was to pass in Consideration of 250 *l.* paid into the Exchequer, for purchasing Lands for the King's Park, and conveying to his Majesty, in Fee, a Piece or Parcel of Land, containing, by Estimation, Seven Acres, with a Headland thereunto adjoining, the Whole commonly reputed Ten Acres, in *Mill-Field*, or *Mill-Mead*; and other Lands of the said *Mitchell's* in the Parish of *New Windsor*, for Enlargement of the said Park.

A Privy Seal, for discharging *Sir John Rogers*, of *Plymouth*, Baronet, from 1,095 *l.* payable in respect of the Dignity of a Baronet.

The like for *Sir Thomas Tipping*.

May. A Grant to *Richard Topham* Esquire, and his Heirs for ever, of several Lands in or near *Windsor*, under the Rents of 5 *s.* per Annum, and 5 *s.* 4 *d.* per Annum, and 3 *s.* 4 *d.* per Annum; in Consideration of other Lands by him conveyed to his Majesty, and laid into his Majesty's Park; and of a Fine of 186 *l.* paid into the Exchequer, for purchasing Lands for the said Park.

A Privy Seal, for granting unto *George Moul* Gentleman, a certain Parcel of Paper, which was seized and forfeited to his Majesty, and appraised at 728 *l.* 15 *s.* 1 *d.*

I take it, that This was in Trust for Colonel *Stanley*.

A Grant to *George Booth* Esquire, for 600 *l.* a Year, for 21 Years, from *Lady-day* last, out of the Tenths of the Clergy, arising within the Diocese of *York*, upon Surrender of former Letters Patents, of the like Annuity, granted for Seven Years from *Christmas* 1696.

A Grant unto the Bishop of *Chichester* of 136 *l.* 10 *s.* 8 *d.* to discharge Arrears of Tenths due for the Vicarage of *Rye* for 32 Years past.

A Grant unto *Isaac Manley* of 600 *l.* out of the Post-Office, by 50 *l.* a Quarter, from *Lady-day* 1699.

A Warrant for granting unto *John Gibson* 109 *l.* 5 *s.* being the Value of Goods seized by the Sheriff of *York*, which belonged to *Simon Warner*, who stands outlawed for a Debt at the Suit of the said *John Gibson*.

June. A Grant unto *James Earl of Castlehaven* of a Pension of 300 *l.* per Annum, payable at the Receipt of Exchequer from *Lady-day* 1699, during his Majesty's Pleasure.

A Warrant to the Commissioners of Prizes to pay unto Capt. in *Michael Lang*, a *Dane*, the Sum of 3,000 *l.* in Reward for his Services, Losses, and Charges, in giving Information for seizing the late pretended *Swedish Fleet*, that carried on, during the late War, an illegal Trade between this Kingdom and *France*.

A like Warrant to pay unto Captain *John Mitchell* for seizing and condemning the said Ships.

A Privy Seal, for discharging the Bishop of *Worcester* from the Sum of 944 *l.* 17 *s.* 9 *d.* payable to his Majesty, for the First-fruits of the said Bishoprick.

July. A Privy Seal, for discharging *Sir Edmund Denton* Baronet, of the Sum of 1,095 *l.* payable in respect of that Dignity.

August. A Lease to the Inhabitants of *St. Martin's* and *St. James's*, of a Passage through Part of the Wilderness into *St. James's Park*, for 99 Years, at the Rent of 6 *s.* 8 *d.* per Annum.

A Privy Seal, for granting unto the Bishop of *Oxford*, for the Time being, an Annuity of 100 *l.* per Annum from *Lady-day* 1699, during his Majesty's Pleasure, for Instructing young Students in the modern *Arabick* and *Turkish* Languages; and to be by him paid over; to wit, To Dr. *Hide* 20 *l.* per Annum, Mr. *Willis* 40 *l.* per Annum, and Mr. *Marshall* 40 *l.* per Annum.

September. A Lease unto *Charles Bertie* Esquire, of the Manors of *East* and *West Deeping*, in the County of *Lincolne*, for 48 Years, from *Michaelmas* 1648, at the ancient Rent of 4 *l.* 1 *s.* 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.* per Annum, upon Payment of a Fine of 150 *l.*

A Grant unto *Nathanael Brand* and *James Pember*, and their Heirs for ever, at the Nomination of *Sir John Morden*, in Consideration of the Sum of 2,000 *l.* paid

into the Exchequer to purchase Lands for *Windsor Park*, of the Manor of *Old Court*, and other Lands, in *Kent*; and *Sedgwick Park*, and other Lands, in *Sussex*; reserving the Fee-farm Rents, of 6 *l.* 13 *s.* 4 *d.* per Annum for *Old Court*, and 5 *s.* 5 *d.* for *Sedgwick Park*; to commence from the Death of the Queen Dowager, in whose Jointure the Premises are.

A Discharge unto *James Isaacson* Esquire, Assignee of a Patent granted by King *Charles the First* unto *Wm. Caverly* Esquire, and his Heirs, of several Marsh Lands, Mines, &c. in the Counties of *Denbigh*, &c. of an Arrear of Rent of 10 *l.* per Annum, from *Lady-day* 1660, to *Michaelmas* 1698, amounting to 375 *l.*; with Direction to put the Rent in Charge for the future.

November. A Warrant for passing a Lease to the Lord *Sherrard* of an Acre and an half of Ground, formerly Part of *Windmill Fields*, Parcel of the Bailiwick of *Westminster*, on which are several Houses, for the Term of 99 Years in Reversion of the Term in being; upon Payment of a Fine of 1,200 *l.*; reserving the former Rent of 6 *s.* 8 *d.* per Annum.

A Warrant for a Particular, in order to a Grant of *Under-Ore* Farm, near *Windsor*, to *Richard Topham* Esquire, and his Heirs, upon Payment of a Fine of 104 *l.* to be employed in purchasing Lands for *Windsor Park*; and in Consideration of a Reversion in Fee of Part of the said Park to be conveyed to his Majesty.

A Warrant for a Particular of an Acre, Two Roods, and 25 Perches of Ground, lying near *Greenwich Hospital*, to be granted for the Use of the said Hospital.

A Warrant for granting unto *Henry Washington* Esquire, and his Heirs, upon Payment of a Fine of 350 *l.* into the Exchequer, to be employed for enlarging *Windsor Park*, of a Tenement, Ten Cottages, and several Parcels of Land, in or near the Parish of *Cookham*, in the County of *Berks*; reserving the Fee-farm Rents of 2 *s.* 6 *d.* and 11 *s.* yearly.

A Lease unto *Richard Cull* of the Manors of *Rosedale*, in the County of *York*, and of *Barton Barrow*, *Gourhill*, *Hoggsthorpe* and *Crowland*, in the County of *Lincolne*, to hold for the Term of 99 Years from the Death of the Queen Dowager, at the yearly Rent of 13 *s.* 4 *d.* which are valued to amount to 512 *l.* 15 *s.* 8 *d.* per Annum from the Death of the Queen Dowager, during the Continuance of such Terms as are now in being, or as she and her Trustees have Power to grant; after the Determination whereof, the full and improved Value of the Premises are computed at 2,964 *l.* 16 *s.* 10 *d.* per Annum.

I take this to be in Trust for the Earl of *Jersey*.

A Grant unto *Samuel Scroop How* Esquire, of the Office of Lieutenant or Keeper of the Forest or Chace of *Alicholt* and *Woolmer*, in the County of *Southampton*, to hold for the Term of 45 Years from the Expiration of a Grant made to *William Legg* Esquire, deceased, for the like Term of 45 Years; with a Direction to the surviving Trustees for Sale of Fee-farm Rents, to assign a Rent of 32 *l.* 2 *s.* 11 *d.* which hath been hitherto paid to the Keepers of the said Forest, to such Person or Persons as they should think fit, in Trust for the Grantee, during the said Term; and afterwards in Trust for his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors.

December. A Warrant for passing a Lease unto *John Evelyn* senior, Esquire, of several Lands in or near *Deptford*, in *Kent*, for the Term of 99 Years, concurrent with the Terms in being; reserving the former Rents payable out of the Premises; and upon payment of a Fine of 152 *l.* 10 *s.* into the Receipt of Exchequer, being one Moiety of the esteemed Value of the said Grant, the other Moiety being remitted as of his Majesty's Grace and Favour, in Consideration of a great Arrear due to him from the Crown.

A Grant unto *Thomas Smith* Gentleman, and his Heirs, of *Buckholt Wood*, in the Counties of *Southampton* and *Wilts*; in Consideration of a Fine of 1,200 *l.* to be paid into the Receipt of Exchequer, which is to be disposed for Enlarging of *Windsor Park*.

Abstract

Abstract of Letters signed by his Majesty, and directed to the Lords Justices of *Ireland*, importing Grants to be made in that Kingdom; from the 18th of March 1698.

May 1699. For a Grant unto Count *Dona Ferrassiers*, who married the Lady *Ellen Colvill*, of her Jointure by her First Husband, which was supposed to be forfeited to his Majesty by his being an Alien.

For a Grant unto Mrs. *Gravemore*, Widow of the late Lieutenant General *Gravemore*, and her Heirs, of several forfeited Lands, in a Schedule annexed to his Majesty's Letter, of the clear yearly Value of 1,051 *l.* 6 *s.* 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.*; except the Estate of Sir *Neal O Neal*, valued at 200 *l.* per Ann.

For paying unto Colonel *Nicholas Purcell* the Sum of 3,000 *l.* and Interest, out of the forfeited Estate of the late Lord *Kenmare*, after Payment of 1,000 *l.* per Ann. to the Lord *Bellomont*, and 400 *l.* per Ann. to the Lady *Kenmare*, and the Arrears thereof, being the Marriage Portion he was to receive with his Wife *Elissa*, One of the Daughters of the said Lord *Kenmare*.

A Grant unto the Earl of *Ranelagh* of a Pension of 300 *l.* per Annum payable out of the Revenue of *Ireland*, for 21 Years from *Lady-day* 1699; being the Continuance of a Pension formerly granted to *Adam Loftus* and *Lemmel Kingdome*, since deceased, in Trust for the said Earl, as Part of the Consideration for his surrendering the Office of Vice Treasurer of *Ireland*.

For a Grant unto *Philip Harman*, and his Heirs, of forfeited Lands, late in *Custodiam* to the Earl of *Montroth*, estimated to be of the clear yearly Value of 984 *l.* 14 *s.* 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.*

For a Grant unto such Person or Persons as should be nominated by Colonel *John Bourk*, commonly called Lord *Boffin*, of the Estate by him forfeited in *Ireland*.

For a Grant unto *Thomas Ash* of his Majesty's Title to a Reversion of the Manor of *Moon*, in the County of *Kildare*, by reason of the Attainder of *James Dempsey*.

For a Grant and Release unto *Joost* Earl of *Albemarle* of 464 *l.* 17 *s.* 10  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.* per Ann. Part of the yearly Quit Rent of 458 *l.* 17 *s.* 0  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.* reserved on a Grant lately made to him of the Estate formerly belonging to the late Lord Viscount *Clare*; and 54 *l.* 4 *s.* 11 *d.* per Ann. Part of 54 *l.* 9 *s.* 11 *d.* per Ann. reserved on a Grant lately made to him of the Estate which belonged to *Redmond* and *Hugh Mullady*; the Remainder of the said yearly Sums being the Quit Rents which were payable by the forfeiting Persons.

For a Discharge unto *Eliz. Aldworth*, Widow of *Boyle Aldworth*, from an Arrear of Crown Rent amounting to 769 *l.* 1 *s.* 6 *d.*

Admiralty Office,  
11th December 1699.

Due on Bills in the Second Book; namely, Pursers Balance Bills, and for Extra-necessary Money, Pensions, Half-pays, Surgeons, Free Gift, &c. occurred before this Reign	£ 40,000
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*Wear and Tear:*

Due on Bills on the present Register, for Stores of all Sorts, Workmanship, Freight of hired Ships and Vessels, Disbursements on this Head, Salaries, Pensions, Transportation of Stores, Imprests, Bills of Exchange, &c. and for Masts, Planks, Pitch, Tar, Timber, and other Stores now delivering; Freight of hired Ships and Vessels, and other Services, for which no Bills are yet made out; and the Debt of the Out Ports; the Sum of	£ 237,244
For Wages to his Majesty's Yards and Ordinaries	127,840
	365,084

*Seamen's Wages:*

Due on the Bills in the present Register for Flag-pays, Disbursements, Bounty to Widows and Orphans, Pilotage, Surgeons, Free Gift, and other Services proper to this Head	7,987
Due to his Majesty's Ships	350,222
Laid up, and directed to be paid off	192,391
Kept at Sea	157,831
	863,508

For Recalls of those paid off whose Books are not yet cleared; calculated from the said Ships Books, by casting each Man's Wages remaining unpaid thereon, as also what remains in Arrear on the Books made up	312,908
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*Victualling:*

For the Service of Victualling his Majesty's Navy, according to an Account received from the Commissioners thereof, over and above the Tallies signified by them to be remaining in the late Treasurer of the Navy's Hands, applicable to this Head; the Sum of	118,884
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For a Grant unto *William Shee* of a Farm he holds under the Duke of *Ormond*, of 26 *l.* per Ann. above the Rent. Grants from the Crown.

For a Grant unto *Charles Deering* Esquire, for Seven Years, of several forfeited Lands of the clear yearly Value of 177 *l.* 5 *s.*; in Consideration of the Services and Sufferings of his Family.

For a Grant to the Duke of *Bolton*, and Lord *Galloway*, of 1,500 *l.* each, as of his Majesty's Bounty; in Consideration of the extraordinary Charges they were obliged to; by a Progress made through most Parts of the Kingdom of *Ireland*.

For a Grant unto *Francis De la Rue*, and his Heirs, of several forfeited Lands, in a Schedule annexed to his Majesty's Warrant, amounting to the clear yearly Value of 393 *l.* 7 *s.* 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.*

November 1699. For a Grant unto *James Roach* of several forfeited Lands, in a Schedule annexed to his Majesty's Warrant, amounting to the clear yearly Value of 95 *l.* 14 *s.* 4 *d.*

All which, pursuant to an Order of this Honourable House, made the 7th Instant, are humbly presented by  
13 December 1699. *Wm. Lowndes.*

Ordered, That the said Account, Petitions, and Papers, do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Petition of the Clothiers, Sheermen, Weavers, and many others employed in the Woollen Manufacture in and about the Town of *Tamworth*, in the County of *Warwick* and *Stafford*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are very sensible of the Decay of the Cloathing Trade since the Act for rendering the Laws more effectual for preventing the Importation of Bone-lace: And praying, That some effectual Care may be taken to prevent the further Decay of the Cloathing Trade, and the Woollen Manufacture. Woollen Manufacture.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, appointed to examine what has been done upon the former Laws against the Exportation of Wool; and for the encouraging the Woollen Manufacture; and to report to the House their Opinion of what may be further necessary to be done.

Sir *George Rook*, according to Order, presented to the House an Estimate of the Debt of his Majesty's Navy, as it stood the 30th of November 1699. Navy Estimate, &c.

And the same was read; and is as followeth, viz.



Due to the Flag Officers, Commanders, Lieutenants, and Masters, who have served his Majesty in his Fleet at Sea in the late War; pursuant to his Majesty's Order in Council of the 22d of February 1693; according to the best Calculation that can at present be made thereof; the Sum of - - - - - £. 45,670

*Sick and Wounded:*

For the Service of the Sick and Wounded, as by an Account received from the late Commissioners thereof, to the 30th June 1698; being the time their Commission is said to have ceased - - - - - 61,102 }  
Since the 1st of July 1698, when that Business was transferred to the Register Office - - - - - 990 } 62,092

*Register Office:*

Due to the Seamen that have registered themselves for his Majesty's Service, according to a late Act of Parliament, on Account of their annual Allowance of 40s. a Man; and the Contingencies of the Offices in *London*, and at *Dover* for the Cinque Ports; the Sum of - - - - - 64,796

TOTAL - - - - - 1,520,034

*Memorandum:* The Debt of the Marine Regiments, for Service on Shore, is not included in this Estimate, being not yet known.

By Command of their Lordships,  
*J. Burchett.*

*J. Bridgewater,*  
*Haversham,*  
*G. Rooke,*  
*D. Mitchell,*  
*Geo. Churchill.*

*Ordered,* That the Consideration of the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Smith, Burgess for *Southampton*, have Leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, his Lady being very ill; and upon other extraordinary Occasions.

*Ordered,* That no Leave be asked for any Member to go into the Country, but after Twelve a Clock.

Motion for  
removing  
Bishop of  
Sarum.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be made to his Majesty for removing *Gilbert* Lord Bishop of *Sarum* from being Preceptor to his Highness the Duke of *Gloucester*;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Mr. Harcourt,*  
                                  { *Mr. Shackerley:* } 133.  
Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. Cowper,*  
                                  { *Mr. Sloane:* } 173.

So it passed in the Negative.

St. Ives, &c.  
Elections.

*Ordered,* That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Boroughs of *St. Ives* and *Fowey*, in the County of *Cornwall*; and for the Borough of *Malden*, in the County of *Essex*; be made To-morrow Morning.

Supply.

*Resolved,* That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Committees.

*Ordered,* That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Jovis, 14<sup>o</sup> die Decembris.*

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

## PRAYERS.

Exporting  
Wool.

A PETITION of the Merchants, Clothiers, and other Traders in the Woollen Manufacture, in and about the Town of *Leeds*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That since the Commissioners appointed by Act of Parliament, 1<sup>o</sup> *Gulielmi et Mariae*, for putting the Laws in Execution for preventing the Exportation of Wool, did undertake the Management thereof, great Quantities of Wool have been hindered from Transpor-

tation by the Diligence of the Commissioners Officers; but, there being no Fund for discharging their Expence, the Commissioners are disabled from proceeding in the said Work; which, if a Fund were provided, would effectually stop the Exportation of Wool, to the great Advancement of the Woollen Manufactory Trade: And praying the House to raise a Fund, by a Tax upon the Woollen Manufactures, or otherwise, as shall be thought fit, for the Purposes aforesaid.

*Ordered,* That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, who are to examine what has been done upon the former Laws against the Exportation of Wool; and for encouraging the Woollen Manufacture; and to report to the House their Opinion, what may be further necessary to be done.

A Petition of the Merchants, Clothiers, and other Traders in the Woollen Manufacture, in and about the Town of *Wakefield*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That for many Years past little Care has been taken to prevent the Exportation of Wool, till, of late, the Commissioners appointed by Act of Parliament for that Purpose deputed several Officers; whose Diligence therein, for above 15 Months past, has greatly, and was further like to put a Stop to that pernicious Practice to the Woollen Manufactures; but, for want of a Fund for defraying the Charges necessary for so good a Work, the Commissioners are disabled from further proceeding in their said Trust, to the great Prejudice of the Petitioners, and the Kingdom in general: And praying, That some Provision may be made for the encouraging the Agents employed in the said Undertaking, in such manner as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered,* That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, who are to examine what has been done upon former Laws against the Exportation of Wool; and for encouraging the Woollen Manufacture; and to report to the House their Opinion, what may be further necessary to be done.

A Petition of the Merchants, Clothiers, and other Traders in the Woollen Manufacture, in and about the Town of *Hallifax*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That for want of putting the former Laws in Execution to prevent the Exportation of Wool, they have remained ineffectual, until the Commissioners appointed by Act of Parliament for that Purpose 1<sup>o</sup> *Gulielmi et Mariae*, by appointing several Officers, put a great Stop to that evil Practice; but, in regard no Fund was provided for defraying the Charges, and rewarding the Officers employed in so great a Work, the Commissioners are discouraged and disabled from proceeding therein; who, if a Fund was raised, the Petitioners conceive would effectually put a Stop

a Stop to the Exportation of Wool in a short time: And praying, That a Fund may be raised upon the Woollen Manufactures, or otherwise, for the Purposes aforesaid.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee who are to examine what has been done upon the former Laws against the Exportation of Wool, and for encouraging the Woollen Manufacture; and to report to the House their Opinion, what may be further necessary to be done.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of *Henry Taylor*, and others, late Serjeants in the Honourable Colonel *Collumbine's* Regiment of Foot, in behalf of themselves and others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they have served in the late War all along till the Act for disbanding; and there are great Arrears due to them, which their Officers refuse to pay, or to give them any Account, saying they will withstand a Tryal at Law; well knowing the Petitioners Inability, who are in great Want, and ready to starve: And praying some speedy Relief from the House in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Ditto.

A Petition of *John Greenwood*, in behalf of *Mary* his Wife, Executrix of Captain *Wm. Compcshon*, late of the Honourable Colonel *John Beaumont's* Regiment of Foot, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said *Compcshon* did, out of his own Monies, as well as the rest of the Captains of the said Regiment, several times subsist his Company in *Ireland*, when no Money was issued by the Government; which, since, has, in great measure, been paid to Colonel *Beaumont's* Hands; who hath accounted with the Captains now living for the same; but refuseth to account with the Petitioner: And praying the Relief of the House therein.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Member  
discharged  
from Custody.

Ordered, That *Mr. Aislaby*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament, be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Ditto.

Ordered, That *Mr. Jennings*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament, be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Suppressing  
Piracy.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more effectual Suppressing of Pirates: And that *Sir Charles Hedges* and *Mr. Brewer* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

*Mr. Carter* reported from the Committee appointed to inspect the Journals of the House, for the last Session, what was done upon the Petition of *John Goodall*, and other Petitions relating to the Abuses of the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, and report the same to the House, That they had inspected the Journals accordingly, and collected thereout what had been done upon the said Petitions, and the Resolutions of the Committee, and afterwards of the House, thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

That, on the Fourth Day of May last, *Mr. Offley* reported, from the Committee, to whom the Petition of

*John Goodall*; and the several Petitions of *Mr. Lascoe*, *Sir William Duncombe*, *Mr. Killigrew*, *Eleanor Smith*, *John Prad*, *Thomas Hammersly*, and *Henry Caldecot*, and *Mr. Glover*; were referred; and who were to inquire into the ill Practices and Abuses of the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*; the Matter as it appeared to the said Committee, and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

That, upon the Petition of the said *John Goodall*, the Matter appeared as followeth:

*Mr. Richard Day* said, That, by Direction of *Mr. Goodall*, he caused *John Kelson* to be arrested in an Action for 2,800*l.*; who by *Habeas Corpus* removed himself to the *Fleet* Prison, where he was actually a Prisoner: That afterwards a Statute of Bankrupt issued against the said *John Kelson*; and he was adjudged a Bankrupt by the Commissioners, *Mr. Goodall* the Petitioner having proved the said Debt before them; and Three of the said Commissioners, whereof the Informant was One, went to the *Fleet*, in order to examine the said *Kelson*, upon Oath, for a Discovery of his Estate; but, though he appeared before them, he obstinately refused to be sworn: Whereupon the said Three Commissioners, by Warrant under their Hands and Seals, dated the 4th of August 1697, and directed to the then Warden of the *Fleet*, did, by virtue of the said Commission, require and authorize the said Warden of the *Fleet* to detain the said *Kelson* in Custody, without Bail or Mainprize; since which, he has escaped without answering.

*Thomas Leaky* said, That he served *Mr. Church*, the then Warden of the *Fleet*, with the said Warrant, the same Day as it bore Date; and *Mr. Church* owned, That the said *Kelson* was then his Prisoner.

In Answer to which, *Mr. Ford*, the now Warden of the *Fleet*, said, That he finds by the Commitment Books of the *Fleet*, that *John Kelson* was committed a Prisoner there, upon Mesne Process, the 31st of July 1697; but does not find any Entry of the said Warrant from the Commissioners of Bankrupt in any of the *Fleet* Books.

That he was sworn and admitted Warden of the *Fleet* on the 28th Day of September 1697; when he had an Indenture of Assignment of the Prisoners committed to his Charge, in Number about 100; but the said *John Kelson* is not named therein, nor was then in the Prison; neither does he know him, or ever saw him; nor knows what is become of him; but said, That since he was admitted Warden, he has superseded *Goodall's* Actions, and produced the *Supersedeas*.

That he insisted, That the Commissioners of Bankrupts had no Power to charge the Warden of the *Fleet* with any Prisoners for a Contempt of their Demand; but he ought to be looked upon as a Criminal, and removed by *Habeas Corpus* to the County Gaol; and instanced the Case of one *Gregory*, a Bankrupt and Prisoner in the *Compter*, who brought Three several *Habeas Corpus's* to remove himself to the *Fleet*; and was as often remanded to the *Compter* by the present Lord Chief Justice *Treby*.

That he further alleged, That the Warden cannot be charged with the Custody of any Prisoner, save by the Council Board, or Courts of *Westminster-hall*; for that a Justice of Peace cannot commit to the *Fleet*, much less Commissioners of Bankrupts.

Upon which the Committee came to this Resolution:

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Petitioner *John Goodall* has fully proved the Allegations of his Petition.

That upon the Petition of *Mr. Lascoe*, the Matter appeareth to be as followeth:

That *Sir John James*, and others, was indebted to the Petitioner 1,400*l.* upon a Bond of 4,000*l.* Penalty: Upon which *Sir John James* was arrested, who turned himself over to the *Fleet*; and, in *Trinity Term*, 1697, *Sir John James* was charged, and committed in Execution

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
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tion in the *Fleet*, at the Suit of the Petitioner, for 4,000 *l.* Debt, and 22 *l.* Costs.

That, on the 16th Day of September 1697, Sir *John James* escaped, and was seen in *Gerrard-street*, near *St. Anne's Church, Westminster*, by Mr. *Holden*, the Petitioner's Attorney, and Mr. *French*; who asked him, What he did there? He said, He was about his Business; and then voluntarily went with them to the *Fleet*; and they complaining of the said Escape to Mr. *Church*, the then Warden, he said, He had Security; but hoped no Notice would be taken of the said Escape.

That, in *Michaelmas Term*, 1697, the Petitioner Mr. *Lasco* brought his Action of Escape against the said Mr. *Church*, and obtained Judgment thereon; and moved the Court of Common Pleas for a Sequestration; which was not granted, because the Judges thought the Petitioner could have no advantage thereby, by reason of the many Incumbrances that were upon the Office of the *Fleet*; since which the said Mr. *Church* is absconded; and as the Petitioner is informed, Sir *John James* hath, by *Habeas Corpus*, removed himself to the *King's Bench*, from whence he hath also escaped.

Mr. *Holding* said, That the Door-keeper of the *King's Bench* told him, That Sir *John James* was a Prisoner there; and Mr. *Taylor*, the then Marshal, told him, he should see Sir *John James* in Two or Three Days: After which, *Holding* went down again; but could not be admitted to see him.

That to this Petition Mr. *Ford*, the new Warden, answered, That he admits Sir *John James* was charged in Execution, as the Petition sets forth: That he was afterwards seen in *Gerrard-street*; and that Judgment was recovered against Mr. *Church*, as aforesaid; but that Judgment is referred to a Prothonotary, as irregular: And hopes it shall not be adjudged an Escape; the Prisoner returning the same Day, and a fresh Pursuit being allowed, by which he might have been taken.

That Sir *John James* was a Prisoner turned over to *Ford*, and was never, after the said 16th of September 1697, out of the Walls of the Prison, until he removed himself to the *King's Bench* by *Habeas Corpus*.

Mr. *Gimbert*, now Marshal of the *King's Bench*, said, That he was sworn Marshal, in pursuance of an Act of Parliament, on the 29th of December last, when he had but One-and-thirty Prisoners committed to his Charge, or turned over to him, amongst which Sir *John James* is not named: But he has heard since his Admission, That Sir *Jo. James* was a Prisoner to Mr. *Taylor*, the late Marshal; and that he suffered him to escape.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Petitioner *Francis Lascoe* has fully proved the Allegation of his Petition.

That, upon the Petition of Sir *William Duncomb*, the Matter appeared to be as followeth:

That the said Petitioner caused *Henry Killigrew* Esquire to be taken in Execution for 400 *l.* Debt; who turned himself over to the *Fleet* Prison; and soon after escaped from thence; and was several times after seen out of the Rules of the said Prison: Whereupon the Petitioner brought his Action of Escape against Mr. *Church*, the then Warden of the *Fleet*; and recovered Judgment against him, in *Trinity Term*, 1697, for the said 400 *l.*; and the Court granted a Sequestration of the Profits of the *Fleet* pursuant to a late Act of Parliament; but the Petitioner could obtain no relief thereby: That, since the Sequestration, the Petitioner agreed to accept of 250 *l.* in Satisfaction of his said Debt; to strengthen which, an Assignment to *Francis Guy* of a former Mortgage upon the *Fleet* to one *Norwood*, which was saved by a late Act of Parliament, and inrolled in pursuance thereof, was transferred to the Petitioner: And *Guy* made Oath, That the said Assignment to him was well executed, and that he had not given any Declaration of Trust thereof; though Mr. *Tilly* afterwards said he had.

That 50 *l.* being the First Sum to be paid by the Agreement, was not paid at the time it ought, though Mr.

*Killigrew* had paid it, as Mr. *Ford* owned; and Sir *William*, looking on *Guy's* Assignment as a sham Security; refused afterwards to receive it.

In answer to which, Mr. *Ford*, the now Warden of the *Fleet*, said, That the Matters of the said Petition were transacted before he was Warden; but that, subsequent to the said Sequestration, Sir *Wm. Duncomb*, by Writing under his Hand and Seal, agreed to take 250 *l.* to be paid at several times, in full Satisfaction of his said 400 *l.* Debt; and had *Norwood's* Mortgage assigned over to him as his Security; of which he believes, and Mr. *Tilly* did affirm, *Francis Guy* had not made any Declaration of Trust: Yet, because the first Payment, being 50 *l.* was not paid at the precise Day it ought, Sir *William* would not receive it, though it was tendered him in Three Weeks afterwards.

That Sir *William Duncomb* offered at the Committee to receive the said 50 *l.*

That, upon the Petition of Mr. *Killigrew*, relating to the Matter of Sir *William Duncomb's* Petition;

Mr. *Killigrew* said, That he has preferred his Bill in Chancery against Sir *William Duncomb*, to be relieved against the said Judgment, having paid Part of the Money due thereon to Sir *Edward Bash*, under whom Sir *William* claims; and said, He was a Prisoner in the *Fleet*, and did not know, That he was charged in Execution.

Whereupon the Committee came to the Resolution following:

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir *William Duncomb* has fully proved the Allegations of his Petition.

That, upon the Petition of *Eleanor Smith*, Widow and Executrix of *Francis Smith*, deceased, it appeared,

That her late Husband became bound for *Thomas Bromhall*, deceased, who then had the Inheritance of the *Fleet* in him, to divers Persons; and paid several Sums of Money for him, particularly 50 *l.* to *Alice Fittnesse*, for which the Petitioner produced Receipts, and proved them by one *Thomas Middleton*:

That *Bromhall* gave the Petitioner's Husband Counter Bonds for his Indemnity; and Mr. *Tilly*, who has since purchased the Inheritance of the *Fleet* under an Act of Parliament, being sensible that the Petitioner intended to oppose the said Act, did, on the First of May 1693, give Bond to the Petitioner, of 400 *l.* Penalty, for Payment of 212 *l.* in May 1695, without Interest; of which Mr. *Tilly* has paid but 7 *l.* 6 *s.*; and the Petitioner threatening to sue him upon the Bond, he said he was in his Castle; and the Petitioner said, She was unable to sue him.

That, upon the Petition of *John Praed*, it appeared,

That, in *Trinity Term*, 1690, the Petitioner exhibited his Bill in Chancery against *William Warr*, and others; and in December 1691, the Cause was heard, an Account directed, and *Warr* ordered to pay the Petitioner Costs, which were afterwards taxed at 53 *l.* 8 *s.* 3 *d.*; and the Master reported 6,404 *l.* 9 *s.* 7 *d.*: That, to avoid the Payment of the said Costs, *Warr* sheltered himself in the *Mint*; from whence he was taken by an Order of the Court of Chancery, and committed a Prisoner to the *Fleet*: But *Warr* having his Liberty, the Petitioner complained to the Lord Chancellor, who made several Orders for his Confinement within the Walls of the said Prison, and until further Order: Yet *Warr* enjoyed his Liberty: And upon further Complaint made to my Lord Chancellor, he thereupon ordered Mr. *Church*, the then Warden of the *Fleet*, to pay the Petitioner 50 *l.* Part of the said 53 *l.* 8 *s.* 3 *d.* Costs; and the further Sum of 25 *l.* which the Master had taxed for Costs, that the said Petitioner had been put unto, for prosecuting for the said 53 *l.* 8 *s.* 3 *d.*

Mr. *John Coode*, Mr. *Praed's* Solicitor, said,

That several times after *Warr* was committed to the *Fleet*, and was ordered to be kept within the Walls of the said Prison, he saw him in several Places without a Day

Day Rule, or a Keeper, in the Vacation Time; and, talking to the said *Church* about *Warr*, he said, As long as *Warr* could feed Mr. *Tilly* with Money, he would let *Warr* have his liberty to go where he pleased.

That the Petitioner has a Decree, signed and inrolled, for the 6,404 l. 9 s. 7 d. and a Sequestration thereupon; but has not reaped any benefit thereby.

In Answer to which Petition;

Mr. *Tilly* said, That he admitted *Warr* was committed a Prisoner to the *Fleet* for the said 53 l. 8 s. 3 d. Costs, and no more: And that the Lord Chancellor made such Order, as aforesaid: But said, the Warden of the *Fleet* could not be charged with 6,404 l. 9 s. 7 d. mentioned in the Petition, because the Decree in Chancery was not confirmed and inrolled till after *Warr*, with his Causes, was removed from the *Fleet* to the *King's Bench*, by an *alias Habeas Corpus*, the 27th June 1696:

That the Office of the *Fleet* paid the said 50 l. pursuant to the Lord Chancellor's Order; and also Part of the said 25 l.: And believes Mr. *Ford*, the now Warden, will pay Mr. *Praed* the Remainder of the 25 l. whenever he will receive it. And

Mr. *Ford* said, He will pay Mr. *Praed* what shall appear due to him of the said 25 l. as soon he pleases:

That Mr. *Praed* owned the Receipt of the 50 l. and Part of the 25 l.:

That it doth appear by the Books of the *King's Bench* Prison, That *Warr* was removed thither by *Habeas Corpus*.

That, upon the Petition of *Thomas Hammersly* and *Henry Caldecott*;

Mr. *Dotting*, an Attorney, said, That the Petitioners caused *Gerrard Lodowick* to be arrested; who turned himself over to the *Fleet* Prison; and, in *Michaelmas* Term last, the Petitioner obtained a Judgment against the said *Lodowick* for 412 l.; but the Warden of the *Fleet* lets him go where he pleases.

The said Attorney confessed, That *Hammersly* and *Caldecott* had not sought any Remedy against the now Warden of the *Fleet*.

To this the Warden only said,

That there are Writs of Error brought upon the said Judgments; which are now depending.

That, upon the Petition of Mr. *Glover*, also referred, it was proved, That he was admitted Marshal of the *King's Bench* in 1681, by virtue of a Grant made by Mr. *Cooling*:

That the Petitioner attended the Committee; and, not being ready to prove the Allegation of his Petition, the Committee gave him a further Day; but afterwards, meeting Mr. *Sevear*, and one Mr. *French*, in the Court of Requests, Mr. *Glover* told them, That he presented his Petition to the House at the Instigation of Dr. *Oates*, and did not intend to proceed further upon his Petition before the Committee:

That a Rule of Court, 1<sup>o</sup> *Jacobi* 2<sup>d</sup>, was produced to discharge *Glover* from his said Office; and he is since barred by Act of Parliament.

And that nobody appeared on behalf of the Petition of *Antony Morris*; which was also referred to the Committee.

That, as to the Abuses, and ill Practices, of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* Prisons;

It appeared by the Books of the *King's Bench*, That, betwixt the 2d of May 1696, and the 29th September last, 1,498 Prisoners had been committed to that Prison; of which but 137 appeared to be discharged, most of them upon the 10 l. Act, and by *Habeas Corpus*:

That many of the said Prisoners, that have escaped, were charged with very great Sums of Money; particularly the aforesaid Sir *John James*, for 41,000 l.; *Bonam Strangways*, charged with 26 Actions for 7,000 l.; and many others.

That, by the *Fleet* Prison Books, it appeared, That 1,651 Persons had been charged, from the 28th of April

1696, to the First of December last; whereof but 285 were discharged, as followeth; viz.

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So that, within the times aforesaid, both the said Prisons stood charged with 3,149 Persons; and about 422 of them were legally discharged, as appears by their Books:

That it appeared also to the Committee, That *James Hunter*, a late Writer to the *King's Bench*, deceased, had several *Habeas Corpus*, and *Reddit se*, in his Custody at the time of his Death, which ought to have been filed in the Marshal's Office, and the Prisoner charged therewith.

The *Habeas Corpus*, and *Reddit se*, were produced by *Hunter's* Widow.

And then the Committee proceeded to inquire, what Incumbrances are upon the said Prisons.

And Mr. *Lenthall*, who has the Inheritance of the Office of Marshal of the *King's Bench*, said, He knows of no other Incumbrances thereon, but what Mr. *Boulter* hath, as Executor of Sir *John Cutler*, deceased; and what Mr. *Sevear* pretends to claim by virtue of a Writing executed by *Lenthall*:

That Sir *John Cutler's* Incumbrance appeared to be a Statute Staple, entered into by Mr. *Lenthall* to Sir *Jo. Cutler*, for 10,000 l. dated the 10th August 1682.

12 August 1682. An Indenture between Mr. *Lenthall*, and Sir *John Cutler*, reciting the said Statute; whereby Mr. *Lenthall* hath agreed, That the Office of Marshal of the *King's Bench*, and his Manor of *Latchford* and *Hasely*, in *Oxfordshire*, should be one Joint Security to Sir *John*, to be void on Payment of 7,000 l. and Interest:

That afterwards Sir *John Cutler* lent Mr. *Lenthall* more Money; and, upon a stated Account, under Mr. *Lenthall's* Hand and Seal, dated the 19th June 1697, there appeared to be due to Sir *John Cutler's* Estate, on the 29th of May 1697, the Sum of 18,001 l. 19 s. 1 d.

That Mr. *Lenthall* has lately sold the Manor of *Hasely* and *Latchford* to the Earl of *Rudnor* for 8,501 l. 10 s.: So that the Office of Marshal, to the said 29th Day of May, stands charged with the remaining Sum of 9,500 l. 9 s. 1 d.

Mr. *Boulter* said, He was no-ways privy to, or consenting to, the Bargain made between Mr. *Lenthall* and the Lord *Rudnor*:

That, in Obedience to the Order of the House, Mr. *Sevear* was heard by his Counsel Sir *William Williams*; who produced Articles, bearing date the 25th Day of November 1684, executed by *William Lenthall* Esquire, under Hand and Seal; whereby he covenanted, in Consideration of 45 l. to be paid down, and 1,600 l. per Annum Rent-charge, payable Quarterly, to grant to Mr. *Sevear*, and his Assigns, for Life, the Office of Marshal of the *Marshalsea* of the *King's Bench*, with the Prison, and Perquisites thereunto belonging, to commence immediately after the Death, Surrender, Forfeiture, or other Determination of the former Grant to *Henry Glover* of the said Office.

That Mr. *Sevear*, accordingly, paid the said 45 l. and, at several other times, several other Sums of Money, amounting to above 200 l. in Part of the First Quarter's Rent:

That, *Glover's* Grant being determined, *Lenthall* refused to perform the said Articles; and granted the said Office to Mr. *Briggs*: Whereupon *Sevear*, in 1694, exhibited his Bill in Chancery against *Lenthall*, *Briggs*, and others, to compel a Performance of the said Articles: And, upon Hearing of the Cause, *Briggs's* Counsel alleged, That he had no Notice of the Articles: The Court thereupon directs an Issue at Law, to try whether he had Notice before his Grant, or not: Upon which Tryal a Verdict was found for *Sevear*, That *Briggs* had Notice.

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That after the said Verdict, and before *Sevear* could have any Benefit thereby, a late Act of Parliament passed, for the more effectual Relief of Creditors in Cases of Escapes; and for preventing Abuses of Prisons, and pretended privileged Places; wherein there is a Clause to vacate all Grants or Deputations then before made by Mr. *Lenthall* of the said Office, of which *Sevear* declared he had no Notice: And coming back to the Chancery, *Sevear's* Bill was dismissed, because of the said Clause:

That, since such Dismission, *Sevear* brought his Action of Covenant against *Lenthall*; and hath recovered 2,322*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* thereupon; as by Three several Judgments produced to the said Committee.

Sir *William Williams* also alleged, That *Sevear* had done all that the Law would allow, to do himself Right; and all that can be done, is only to confine *Lenthall* to his own House and Dominion; and can have no Satisfaction, without the Help of an Act of Parliament, though it has cost *Sevear* above 2,000*l.* as informed.

To prove which, he called *John Stanley*, Mr. *Sevear's* Attorney; who said, Mr. *Sevear* brought his Bill in Chancery, against *Lenthall*, *Briggs*, and others; and, before they answered, they preferred a cross Bill against Mr. *Sevear*; and those Suits, which the said Issue directed, and References to Masters, cost Mr. *Sevear* 1,500*l.* as he believes, besides what Costs he was at in prosecuting other Tryals at Law.

It appeared to the Committee, That *George Moor* had recovered Judgment against the said Mr. *Lenthall*, 3<sup>o</sup> *Willi. & Mariae*, for 2,025*l.* for the Escape of *Henry Paine*, who was a Prisoner in Execution to Mr. *Lenthall*, when he executed the Office of Marshal himself:

That *Moor* issued out an *Elegit*, and seized Part of *Lenthall's* Goods and Estate in *Oxfordshire*; which Goods were sold, and produced about 100*l.* besides Charges: But he was turned out of Possession of the Lands by Mr. *Boulter*, by virtue of a prior Incumbrance; and can have no Relief against *Lenthall's* Person, because those Persons, who have since exercised the Office of the Marshal of the *King's Bench*, have been favourable to Mr. *Lenthall*:

That the Warden of the *Fleet* said, He knew of but Four Incumbrances of the *Fleet*; viz. *Norwood's*, *Smith's*, *Johnson's*, and *Clements'*:

That nobody appeared to make out the Incumbrances to *Norwood* and *Johnson*:

That the Incumbrance to Mr. *Clements* was a Mortgage upon the *Fleet*, made to him, in Trust for several others, the 3d of May 1678, for the Term of 500 Years, in Consideration of 2,299*l.* principal Money.

That 1,842*l.* with Interest, Part of the said 2,299*l.* became due to Five Sisters of Sir *Edward Low*, deceased; who, in 1693, relinquished all their Claims, as to Interest of the said 1,842*l.* principal Money, which amounted to near 2,000*l.* upon Condition an Act of Parliament should be obtained for the Sale of the *Fleet*; and that they were paid their principal Money by the 1st of January 1693; which was not paid, though the Act was obtained:

That the said Five Sisters have received but 250*l.* of the said 1,842*l.* and Interest: So that there remained due to them, on the First Day of January last, from the 1st of January 1693, only the Sum of 2,021*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.*

Besides which, the *Fleet* stands charged by the said Incumbrance with the remaining Sum of 457*l.* Principal Money, and Interest.

*Smith's* Security is as follows; viz.

That *Bromhall*, being seised in Fee of a Farm in *Shropshire*, sold the same, in December 1677, to *Smith*, for 500*l.*; and covenanted, That the same was free from Incumbrances, though he had before entered into a Recognizance in the Court of Chancery, together with *William Allanson* and *Edward Kinaston*, for 800*l.*: That, *Bromhall* dying, *Kinaston* sued out a *Scire facias* against the said Farm; and *Smith* preferred a Bill in Chancery, to be relieved against it: But the Court, on the 22d June 1683, decreed *Smith* to pay to *Kinaston* what he had paid for *Bromhall*, with Costs, by reason of the said

Recognizance, which was to be assigned over to Mr. *Smith*, on Payment of the Money.

That the Master in Chancery reported 425*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* due for *Kinaston*; and *Smith* paid the Money in 1683; and took a Receipt; and had the Recognizance assigned over.

And afterwards, *Smith* preferred his Bill in Chancery against *Norwood*, a Mortgage of the *Fleet*, and others, to be let into the Profits of the Prison and Premises, for Satisfaction of his said Debt.

And the Court of Chancery, 26th of January 1685, decreed the Equity of Redemption of the Premises mortgaged to *Norwood* for *Smith's* Benefit.

That *Smith* is since dead, and his Right and Interest in the Premises is vested in *Thomas Holmden* and *Mary* his Wife, and *Richard Short* and *Elizabeth* his Wife, the Two only Daughters and Administratrixes, with the Will annexed, of the said *Antony Smith*.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to the Resolutions following; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the present Offices of the Marshal of the *King's Bench*, and Warden of the *Fleet* Prisons, in respect of their Management, have been very prejudicial to personal Credit, and a great Grievance to the whole Kingdom.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the many Incumbrances on the said Offices do cover those Prisons against Judgments in Cases of Escapes; whereby the good Intention of the late Act of Parliament for the Relief of Creditors is eluded, the Keepers of the said Prisons, for Bribes, continuing to suffer Escapes, and the Creditors left without Remedy for the same.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That no *Habeas Corpus* shall be hereafter granted for Removing of Prisoners, in personal Actions, to any of the Courts at *Westminster-hall*, in order to be turned over to the *King's Bench* or *Fleet* Prisons, but upon sufficient Cause shewn by the Defendant, or some Person for him, in Open Court, in the Presence of the Plaintiff or some Person authorized by him.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Way for preventing the Abuses of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* Prisons is, by discharging the Incumbrances that are upon the said Prisons, by Sale of the said Offices, or otherwise: And that, for the future, neither of the said Offices should be liable to any incumbrance, except upon Escapes.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the present Offices of the Marshal of the *King's Bench*, and Warden of the *Fleet* Prisons, in respect of their Management, have been very prejudicial to personal Credit, and a great Grievance to the whole Kingdom.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the many Incumbrances on the said Offices do cover those Prisons against Judgments in Cases of Escapes; whereby the good Intention of the late Act of Parliament for Relief of Creditors is eluded, the Keepers of the said Prisons, for Bribes, continuing to suffer Escapes, and the Creditors left without Remedy for the same.

The Third Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out "but upon sufficient Cause shewn by the Defendant, or some Person for him, in open Court, in the Presence of the Plaintiff, or some Person authorized by him;" and inserting, instead thereof, "and if any Person shall be removed by *Habeas Corpus*, and the Person so removed shall not be bailed, or totally discharged, that then the Person so removed shall be remanded to the Prison from whence he was brought:" And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*,

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That no *Habeas Corpus* shall be hereafter granted for Removing of Prisoners, in personal Actions, to any of the Courts in *Westminster-hall*, in order to be turned over to the *King's Bench* or *Fleet* Prisons: And if any Person so removed shall not be bailed, or totally discharged, that then the Person so removed shall be remanded to the Prison from whence he was brought.

The Fourth Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Way for preventing the Abuses of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* Prisons is, by discharging the Incumbrances that are upon the said Prisons, by Sale of the said Offices or otherwise; and that, for the future, neither of the said Offices shall be liable to any Incumbrances, except upon Escapes.

Upon which a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Brotherton, } 96.  
                                  { Mr. Sloane: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Clarke, } 54.  
                                  { Colonel Lee: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Offley, Mr. Carter, and Mr. Brotherton, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the said Committee to state the Account of the Incumbrances upon the said Prisons to this Day.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee do prepare, and bring in, a Bill, or Bills upon the said Resolutions.

Debtors  
Petition.

A Petition of a Multitude of poor Prisoners for Debt, that lie in the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, for and on the behalf of themselves, and many Thousand other the like Prisoners in the several Prisons in *London* and *Westminster*, and Suburbs thereof, and in the many Prisons in this Kingdom, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by the Abuse of the Coin, and the Tediousness of the late War, and many other inevitable Losses, they have been reduced to Poverty, and imprisoned by their Creditors; where many of them have lain in a starving Condition many Years, to the Ruin of their Families, who, had they been at Liberty, might have paid their Debts, and been useful to the Publick; but now are a great Burden to the same; the Prisoners in *England* being computed at 60,000 Souls, who chiefly subsist by begging at the Grate of the Prisons; and, when that Charity fails, they starve, as weekly Examples testify, to the Dishonour of this Protestant Kingdom, and Damage thereof, from many contagious Distempers, which oftentimes have their Beginning in Prisons: And praying the consideration of the House, That they may be relieved, either by causing them to be discharged, under such reasonable Conditions as shall be adjudged fit, or by some speedy Methods for their support and Maintenance, either from their Creditors, who detain them, or otherwise, as shall be found to be convenient; and that a Bill be brought in accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report to the House what they do conceive proper to be done for the Petitioners Relief.

And it is referred to Lord Marquis of Hartington, Sir Francis Child, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Thursby, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Barnardiston, Mr. Morgan, Lord Cavendish, Sir Joseph Jekyll, Sir Richard Farrington, Sir Godfrey Copley, Mr. Carter, Sir Wm. Scawen, Mr. Rudge, Mr. Winnington, Mr. Webb, Mr. Harley, Mr. Bridges, Mr. White, Mr. Beak, Sir John Cope, Mr. Eyres, Mr. Thornhagh, Mr. Colthrop, Sir Barth. Shower, Sir Row-

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land Gwyn, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Brotherton: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

A Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council, of the City of *London*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That several Kings and Queens of this Realm, for valuable Considerations, have granted to the Petitioners Predecessors divers Manors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, the Rentals and Evidences relating to which were burnt, or lost, in the great Fire of *London* in 1666; and great Part of their Estate hath been ever since concealed: But the Petitioners have lately discovered Part thereof; and are advised, it may be recovered at Law: That the Bill now depending in this House, for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretences of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other defective Titles, will, as the Petitioners are advised, when passed into a Law, foreclose them from the Recovery of any Part of their said concealed Estate: And praying, that they may be heard by their Counsel, what they have to offer in relation to the said Bill.

Defective  
Titles.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Council before the Committee, touching the said Bill.

A Petition of the Clothiers, and Woollen Manufacturers, within the City of *New Sarum*, on the behalf of themselves, and many Thousands of poor Persons depending on them, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That since the making of a late Act of Parliament, for rendering the Laws more effectual for preventing the Importation of foreign Bone-lace, the Trade of the Woollen Manufactures of this Kingdom is very much abated; and the Petitioners, who before had a constant Trade into *Flanders*, have now little or none; the Government in *Flanders* endeavouring to set up a Woollen Manufacture of their own: And praying the Consideration of the House therein, either by repealing the said Act, or otherwise, as shall be thought most convenient.

Woollen  
Manufacture.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report to the House what they conceive proper to be done thereupon.

And it is referred to Mr. Eyres, Sir James Houbton, Mr. Gwyn, Mr. Hooper, Sir Rich. Cocks, Sir Wm. Scawen, Sir John Morden, Mr. Fox, Colonel Godfrey, Mr. Rudge, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Lee, Sir Wm. Ashurst, Mr. Kent, Sir Joseph Jekyll, Mr. How, Mr. Moore, Sir Henry Ashurst, Sir Walter Yonge, Mr. Jervois, Lord Cavendish, Sir Henry Parker, Sir William Drake, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Vernon, Sir Rich. Farrington, Mr. Drake, Mr. Barnardiston; and all that serve for the Counties of *Bucks*, *York*, *Gloucester*, and *Lancaster*: And they are to meet To-morrow in the Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Mr. Lowndes, according to Order, presented to the House a Copy of a Privy Seal, relating to the Debt due to the Prince of *Denmark*: And also,

Debt due to  
Prince of  
Denmark.

A State of the Debt due, upon the Account of Sick and Wounded . . . . to the 29th Day of September 1699.

And the Copy of the Privy Seal, being read, is as followeth; viz.

WILLIAM R.

OUR Will and Pleasure is, that you forthwith prepare a Bill for our Royal Signature, to pass our Privy Seal, in these Words, or to the Effect following:

WILLIAM the Third, by the Grace of God, &c. To the Commissioners, of our Treasury, Chancellor, and Under Treasurer, Chamberlains, Barons, and all other Officers and Ministers of our Exchequer, now being; and to the High Treasurer, or Commissioners of the Treasury, Chancellor and Under Treasurer, Chamberlains, Barons, and

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Debt due to  
Prince of  
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and all other Officers and Ministers of the Exchequer, of Us, our Heirs, or Successors, for the Time being; and to all others herein concerned: Greeting, Whereas, upon adjusting Disputes which happened in the Year 1689, between our good Brother *Christian* the Vth, King of *Denmark*, and our good Brother *Charles* the XIth, late King of *Swedenland*, since deceased, there appeared to be due, upon a stated Account, made up in July 1691, from *Christian Albert* late Duke of *Holstein*, unto our dearly beloved Brother *George* Prince of *Denmark*, the Sum of 340,000 Rix dollars, for Two Mortgages which he had upon one Part of the Territories of the said Duke of *Holstein*; to wit, one on the Isle of *Femeren*, and the other on the Baillages of *Trembutill*, and *Steinhorst*; which said Lands and Baillages the said Prince of *Denmark* was in Possession of until July 1689; and did then, at our Desire, for the more speedy putting an End to the Differences between the said Two Kings and restating the said Duke of *Holstein*, in his Territories, according to their Agreement, which then seemed absolutely necessary for the Support of our Alliances, surrender and release, unto the said Duke of *Holstein*, the said Two Mortgages, upon our promising to pay unto him, the said Prince of *Denmark*, the Sum of 340,000 Rixdollars, or 85,000 *l.* of lawful Money of *England*; and, until that Sum should be satisfied, to allow him an Interest for the same after the Rate of 6 *l.* per Cent. per Ann.: And although our Affairs have not hitherto admitted of the Payment of the said Sum of 85,000 *l.* or any Part thereof, or of the Interest incurred thereupon, We have nevertheless, from time to time, received and approved of particular Accounts or Demands thereof exhibited, and made to Us, by our said dear Brother the Prince of *Denmark* in the Offices of our principal Secretaries of State: And being very desirous, and fully intending, as much as in Us lieth, that the said Sum of 85,000 *l.* and all Interest due, and that shall grow due, thereupon, at the said Rate of 6 *l.* per Cent. per Annum, shall be truly and fully paid and satisfied, according to our Royal Word and Promise given and passed in that behalf, as soon as possibly may be: And for a further Confirmation and Assurance of the same, Know ye, that We do hereby acknowledge, declare, and grant, that the said Sum of 85,000 *l.* was and is justly due and owing from us, unto our said dearly beloved Brother the Prince of *Denmark*, for the Principal Sum of 340,000 Rixdollars, of which we undertook the Payment in July 1691, aforesaid; and that, so soon as the Exigencies of our Affairs can possibly admit thereof, the said Principal Sum of 85,000 *l.* and also Interest for the same, at the Rate of 6 *l.* per Cent. per Annum, to be computed from the 31st Day of July 1691, aforesaid, shall be fully, duly, and effectually answered, paid, and satisfied unto him, our said dearly beloved Brother *George* Prince of *Denmark*, or his Assigns; and We do hereby accordingly direct and command, That the same, and every Part thereof, shall be paid and satisfied, without any further or other Warrant or Warrants, to be had or obtained from Us, our Heirs, or Successors, in that behalf. Nevertheless our Will and Meaning is, That as any Part of the said Principal shall be paid off, the Interest shall proportionably sink, and be abated. And these our Letters, &c. Given, &c. And for so doing this shall be your Warrant. Given at our Court at *Kensington* the 11th Day of May, 1698, in the 10th Year of our Reign.

By his Majesty's Command,

*Cha. Mountague,*  
*Steph. Fox,*  
*John Smith,*  
*Tho. Littleton,*  
*Tho. Pelham.*

To the Clerk of our  
Signet attending.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Privy Seal be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Then the Title of the said Account being read;

The Account is as followeth; viz.

The State of the Charge of Sick and Wounded Seamen, and Exchange of Prisoners at War, from the 11th of July 1689, to the 30th of September, 1699.

	£.	s.	d.
Charge from the 11th of July 1689, being the Commencement of the Commission, to the 31st of December 1695, as appears by Six Annual Accounts, delivered under Oath, and examined by the Honourable Commissioners appointed by Parliament, and no Objections made to them, amounting to the Sum of - - -	214,706	10	11
From the 31st December 1695, to the 31st December 1696, as appears by the Seventh annual Account -	40,326	5	4½
From the 31st of December 1696, to the 29th September 1698, according to the nearest Computation -	60,151	10	1½
From the 29th September 1698, to the 29th September 1699, as appears by some Account since, and more expected from the <i>West Indies</i> , and <i>Mediterranean</i> , and other Places, there will be an additional Charge, according to the nearest Calculation -	6,500	0	0
	£. 321,684	6	5

#### Receipts of Money.

From the 11th of July 1689, to the 31 December 1697 - - -	249,719	15	9
From the 31 December 1697, to the 29 September 1698 - - -	6,861	16	5½
From the 29th September 1698, to the 14th December 1699 - - -	4,000	0	0
	260,581	12	2½
Remains to balance - - -	61,102	6	2½
	£. 321,684	6	5

*Tho. Addison,*  
*Antho. Shepherds,*  
*Da. Elder.*

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Account be referred to the said Committee.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent the Alienation of Crown Lands, Forfeitures, and Penalties accruing to the Crown: And that Mr. *How* and the Lord *Cheine* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter to them referred, upon the Petitions touching the Election for the Borough of *St. Ives*, in the County of *Cornwall*; and the Resolution of the Committee, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table; Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Petition of several Inhabitants within the Borough of *St. Ives*, in the County of *Cornwall*, presented to the House of Commons this Session of Parliament, touching the late Election for the said Borough, is not the same in Substance with the Petition from several Inhabitants of the said Borough, presented to the House of Commons the last Session of Parliament, relating to the said Election.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Petition of several Inhabitants within the Borough of *St. Ives*, in the County of *Cornwall*, presented to the House of Commons this Session of Parliament, touching the late Election for the said Borough, is not the same in Substance with the Petition from several Inhabitants of the said Borough presented

presented to the House of Commons the last Session of Parliament, relating to the said Election.

Ordered, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections do not proceed any further upon the Petition touching the said Election.

Fowey  
Election.

Sir Rowland Gwynn also reported, from the said Committee of Privileges and Elections, to whom the Matter touching the Petition, concerning the Election for the Borough of Fowey in the County of Cornwall, was referred, the Resolution of the said Committee; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place, and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Petition of Shadrach Vincent Esquire, presented to the House of Commons this Session of Parliament, touching the late Election for the Borough of Fowey in the County of Cornwall, is the same in Substance with the Petition of the said Mr. Vincent and Henry Ashurst Esquire, presented to the House of Commons the last Session, relating to the said Election.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Petition of Shadrach Vincent Esquire, presented to the House of Commons this Session of Parliament, touching the late Election for the Borough of Fowey in the County of Cornwall, is the same in Substance with the Petition of the said Mr. Vincent and Henry Ashurst Esquire, presented to the House of Commons the last Session, relating to the said Election.

Malden  
Election.

Sir Rowland Gwynn reported also, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to the said Committee, touching the Election for the Borough of Malden in the County of Essex; and the Resolution of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read, and is as followeth; viz.

Upon the Petition of Wm. Fitch, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of Irby Mountague Esquire, to serve for the said Borough.

That upon the Poll there was,

For the Sitting Member - - - - 149.

For the Petitioner - - - - 148.

But it was insisted, on behalf of the Petitioner, That Seven, viz. Henry Leez, John Bramston, Abr. Francis, John Scott, Tho. Burges, John Soresby, and John Holmes, had a Right, and would have polled for the Petitioner, and were refused:

And that Five, viz. Theop. Goosey, John Browne, the Earl of Manchester, Mr. Cha. Mountague, Henry Leez, which stand upon the Sitting Member's Poll, ought not to be allowed as good Votes for him: But Henry Leez was one of the Seven before enumerated to be added to the Petitioner's Poll.

That the Right of Election was agreed to be in the free Burgesses upon Three several Rights.

1st, As being the Son of a free Burgess.

2dly, By Apprenticeship.

3. By Election.

The First Person the Petitioner's Counsel examined to was Henry Leez; and, as to him, they read a Memorandum at the bottom of the Poll, in these Words; viz. Likewise Exception was made, That Henry Leez, presently after giving his Vote, came again; and said, He was mistaken, and would have retracted and altered his Vote; and was refused,

That they also called

Henry Leez himself; who declared, That he intended to have voted for Sir Eliab Harvey and Mr. Fytch; but gave his Vote, by Mistake, for Sir Eliab Harvey and Esquire Mountague, being disturbed by the Falling of his Hat; but, presently after, recollected, and would have altered his Vote from Colonel Mountague to Mr. Fitch.

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Mr. Gibson, . . . Mr. Bramston also said, That Leez did give his Vote for Sir Eliab Harvey and Esquire Mountague; but he came a little time after, and would have retracted his Vote from Mr. Mountague, and given it to Mr. Fitch; but they acknowledged his Name was entered down by the Town Clerk before he would have it retracted; and afterwards, a Dispute arising about it, a Query was put down upon him, by the Consent of all, at the Bottom of the Poll: And Mr. Bramston said, That another Person who came to vote, his Name was entered down, before Leez offered to retract.

That, as to the Persons that would have voted for the Petitioner, and were insisted on to have a Right so to do; it appeared by the Evidence of Mr. Gibson and Mr. Cair:

That Mr. John Bramston had a Right to his Freedom as the Son of a free Burgess; and was admitted to his Freedom the 13th July 1698:

That Abraham Francis had the same Right; and was admitted to his Freedom 15 July 1698:

That John Scott had a Right by Service; and admitted to his Freedom 18th July 1698:

That Thomas Burges and John Soresby had both a Right by Purchase; and Burges was admitted to his Freedom on the 15 July 1698, and Soresby on the 20th July 1698; but they had the Vote of the House for such Freedom before: Yet it was acknowledged, that none have a Right to vote in any Election, till actually admitted to their Freedom.

Mr. Gibson said, That John Holmes would have voted for Sir Eliab Harvey and Mr. Fitch; but was refused, as being under Age, upon the Producing of a Certificate of the Time of his being baptized; though his Mother affirmed he was born Fourteen or Fifteen Weeks before he was baptized: That he was admitted to his Freedom 3d January 1697; but it was usual to admit to their Freedoms such as are under Age:

Geo. Hugget, a Sea-faring Man, said, That he being come from a Voyage in the Year 1677, he met his Brother-in-Law, the said Holmes his Father, about the 8th or 9th of July in the same Year: Who told him, That his Wife was brought a-bed of a Son; and he went a little after to see his Sister, and found her brought a-bed of a Son, which was afterwards baptized John, and is the Person in Dispute.

John Holmes said, He was asked to give his Vote for Mr. Mountague by Mr. Coe and Mr. Finch; and Mr. Coe promised him a Place in the Custom-house; and when Mr. Coe and Mr. Finch did see, that he would not vote as they would have him, they told him, he was under Age. He said, He did not ask by what Authority Coe made him that Offer; but said it was an usual Thing to offer Places: And Mr. Gibson said, That Mr. Coe was very diligent in making an Interest for Colonel Mountague.

That as to the Persons insisted on to have voted for Colonel Mountague, that ought not to stand on his Poll;

Mr. Gibson said, That Theophilus Boosey gave a single Vote for Colonel Mountague; and that the said Mr. Gibson, did see Boosey a little before the Election; and the said Boosey told him, Colonel Mountague had promised him, that he should have a Place before the Election.

That Mr. Charles Mountague, being then One of the Lords Justices, and the Earl of Manchester, voted for Colonel Mountague.

That the Lord Fitzwater, and Mr. Mildmay, his Brother, were present at the Election.

That John Browne told the said Mr. Gibson, That some Persons had overpowered him, and hauled him to go up and give his Vote as he did.

That, for the Sitting Member, it was insisted, That before the Election the several Candidates came to an Agreement; viz.

1st, That no Persons should be polled, that were made free after the Teste of the Writ.

2. That none under 21 should be polled.

3. That no Person, having a single Vote, should afterwards be admitted to poll for another.

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That *Abraham Francis, John Scott, Burges* and *Soresby*, were made free after the *Teste* of the Writ, which bore *Teste* 13 July 1698; and that *John Bramston* was made free the same Day, appeared to be Fact.

That, to prove the Agreement, the Sitting Member's Counsel called

Mr. *Peter Robjeant*, Mr. *Watson*, and Mr. *Coe*; who testified, That it was proposed by Mr. *Gibson*, One of the Bailiffs, and a Friend to the Petitioner, before the Poll began, That none should be polled that were made free after the *Teste* of the Writ.

2dly, That none under 21 should be polled.

3. That no Person should poll twice.

Which Proposition so made by Mr. *Gibson*, in the Presence and Hearing of the Candidates, the Witnesses apprehended was agreed to by them, because nobody opposed it: And Mr. *Robjeant* said, That after *Leez* had voted for Sir *Eliab Harvey* and Colonel *Mount . . .*, *Leez* went to the Hall Door, and was whispered by Two or Three; whereupon he returned, and would have retracted his Vote, pretending he was mistaken: But another Person was called, and his Name put down before he retracted. And Mr. *Robjeant* said further, That *Sweeting Barrington*, *Robert Cole*, *Thomas Richmond*, and *Robert Simpson*, were refused to be admitted to poll according to the Agreement.

Mr. *Attwood*, being examined, said, he met with *Leez* accidentally at an Alehouse in *Milford-lane*, near the Temple; and that *Leez* discoursing of the Election, said, That the Reason of his voting for Mr. *Mountague* was, because one of the *Bramstons* had affronted him, and that he then voted according to his Mind; but somebody whispered him, and then he would have retracted his Vote.

But, Mr. *Attwood* being confronted by *Leez*, *Leez* denied, That he had any such Discourse with Mr. *Attwood*, or that he knew him, or had ever seen him.

*Robert Edwards*, being examined, said, That he only voted for Colonel *Mountague*; but, in the Poll, he is set down for Mr. *Fitch* also: But Mr. *Cair*, the Town Clerk, said, That all Persons were put down as they gave their Votes; and his Poll was compared with the rest, and there was no Objection at that Time.

A Certificate was produced, by which it appeared, That *John Holmes* was baptized the 25th of October 1677: And Mr. *Robjeant*, being examined to that Matter, said though *Holmes's* Mother affirmed the said *Holmes* was of Age, yet she would not swear it.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel also insisted, That several who polled for the Petitioner did receive Alms.

And they called

Mr. *Coe*, who said, That *Thomas Hullbank* had lived in an Alms-house for Three Years last past.

That he had examined the Books, and finds, That *Robert Dun* had received 5 or 6 s. a Year Charity, for Three or Four Years last past.

That Mr. *John Cable*, his Wife, and Child, have received Charity; which the said Mr. *Coe* also saw in the Poor's Book.

That there were Two Letters produced; one proved to be the Hand of Mr. *Gibson*, the other of Mr. *Stace*; both writ to one *Feild*: The Purport of which were, To desire his Vote for Sir *Eliab Harvey* and Mr. *Fitch*, saying they were honest Gentlemen, and Men of Estates; and *Stacy's* Letter said, They would not be Pensioners: Both Letters expressing, That if he would vote as desired, he should have no Trouble for Money they expected from him, otherwise he must bring Money with him: Which *Stace* voted for the Petitioner.

That the Petitioner's Counsel denied, That there was any such Agreement as alleged; and called

Mr. *Bramston*, Clerk, Mr. *Tho. Bramston*, Mr. *Nicholas Corsellis*, Mr. *Shaw*; who said they were present at the Election; and said, They did not hear or remember any thing of any Agreement by the Candidates, except that no Person should be polled twice.

That it was also insisted on by the Petitioner's Counsel,

That several that voted for the Sitting Member had received Alms; viz. *Wm. Turner* and *Nicholas Hitch*.

Mr. *Gibson* said; He had given to *Wm. Turner* of Sir *John Bramston's* Charity last Year; but it was after the Election:

And that *Nicholas Hitch* is a poor indigent Fellow.

*John Cockrill* said, That *Turner* had had Charity several times within Three Years.

That he had given *Hitch* of Sir *John Bramston's* Charity last Christmas; and that *Hitch* had Half a Crown a Week of the Parish Two or Three Years ago; and that *Hitch* had lived in an Alms-house many Years.

Mr. *Gibson* said, That he had given to *John Jennings* of Sir *John Bramston's* Charity last Christmas.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to this Resolution:

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Ireby Mountague* Esquire, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malden*.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Ireby Mountague* Esquire, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malden*;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Lord *Coningsby*, } 171.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Ireton*: }  
                                  { Mr. *Foley*, } 96.  
                                  { Mr. *Hoblyn*: }

Resolved, *Nemine contradicente*, That no Peer of this Kingdom hath any Right to give his Vote in the Election for any Member to serve in Parliament. Resolution against Peers Voting at Elections.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty. Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Saturday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*. State of Trade.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived. Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Veneris, 15<sup>o</sup> die Decembris;

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PRAYERS.

THE House being informed, That the Petition of Reading Election. Sir *Tho. Stamp*, touching the Election for the Borough of *Reading* in the County of *Berks* this Session, is different from that which was presented the last Session;

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Privileges and Elections, That they do examine whether the Petition this Session be the same in Substance with that which was presented the last Session; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House: And that the Committee do the same, before they proceed upon the Merits of the Election.

A Bill to enable *Thomas May* to sell Lands in the May's Estate. County of *Suffolk*, which were settled upon his First and Second Marriage; and to convey other Lands, of a greater Value, in the same County, to the same Uses; was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Hunt*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Hancock*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Dryden*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *Samuel Barnardiston*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Crane*, Sir *Edu. Hussey*, Mr. *Buller*, Mr.

Mr. *Gurdon*, Mr. *Cocks*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Sir *Cha. Shuckbrough*, Sir *Roxland Gwynne*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Probert*, Mr. *Blisse*, Mr. *Gwynne*, Mr. *Henly*; and all the Members that serve for the County of *Suffolke*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

and Papers relating to that Matter, to be translated, in order to be laid before this House.

Mr. *Godolphin*, from the Commissioners of the Customs, Customs, Penalties, &c. presented to the House, according to Order, an Account of the Penalties and Forfeitures which have been paid into the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer, for Ten Years ending at *Midsummer* 1699, as well upon the Seizures of any unaccustomed or prohibited Goods, as for personal Informations relating to the same: But how the same have been disposed of, That they are not able to give the House any Information: And that the Account of the Bonds standing out upon the Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage, granted to his Majesty for Five Years, ending the 25th Day of December next, was preparing; and would be laid before the House, as soon as the same could be got ready.

Then the Title of the said Account of Penalties and Forfeitures was read.

And the Account is as followeth; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
From Midsummer 1689, to Midsummer 1690	6,235	16	5
From Midsummer 1690, to Midsummer 1691	4,977	19	10
From Midsummer 1691, to Midsummer 1692	6,786	4	7
From Midsummer 1692, to Midsummer 1693	8,338	6	3½
From Midsummer 1693, to Midsummer 1694	10,349	15	5½
From Midsummer 1694, to Midsummer 1695	5,873	4	5½
From Midsummer 1695, to Midsummer 1696	11,646	12	9
From Midsummer 1696, to Midsummer 1697	10,374	3	5
From Midsummer 1697, to Midsummer 1698	10,312	17	0
From Midsummer 1698, to Midsummer 1699	13,739	5	11½

*John Earle*, Register.  
*Rich. Hosier*, Inspector.

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Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Bill touching free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Annesly*, one of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the forfeited Estates of *Ireland*, attended at the Door;

He was called in; and at the Bar acquainted the House, That the said Commissioners, having executed their Commission, had ordered him to give this House an Account of their Proceedings: And thereupon presented to the House their Report, together with Nine Books, to which the Report, which is the 10th Book, refers; viz.

	N <sup>o</sup> .
A Book of Outlawries	1
A Book of Forfeitures	2
A Book of Adjudications at the Council Board	3
A Book of Adjudications of the Court of Claims	4
A Book of Pardons and Reversals	5
A Book of Grants	6
A Book of Incumbrances	7
A Book of Debts due to forfeiting Persons not restored	8
A Book of the private Estate	9
The Report	10
With the cancelled Sheet.	

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And

A Member discharged from Custody.

Ordered, That Mr. *Nappier*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament, be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Army Arrera.

A Petition of *Alexander Gamble*, and others, on behalf of themselves and divers other Troopers of the Regiment late Brigadier *Villiers's*, and now under the Command of Colonel *Harvey*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, notwithstanding the Resolutions of this House the 6th of *February* 1696; the Lord *Coningsby* and Mr. *Fox's* Report in Favour of the Petitioners; and also the late Act of Parliament for Relief of disbanded Soldiers; yet the Petitioners cannot bring their Officers to any Account; though they have preferred a Bill in Chancery against them, they have not answered, being most in *Ireland*; and the Petitioners fear, that, by reason of their Poverty, they shall not be able to prosecute it: And praying the Relief of the House therein.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine, and report the Matter, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Ditto.

A Petition of *Jeremiah Cheevers*, and others, in behalf of themselves and all others, reduced and discharged Men and Trumpets out of his Majesty's Regiment of Light Horse, late commanded by the Honourable Colonel *John Coy*, and now by the Right Honourable *Charles* Earl of *Arran*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That upon their Reducement since the Peace, their Officers have detained their Horses, contrary to his Majesty's Orders, and about 10 l. per Man per Annum out of their Subsistence; and have charged Bounty Money to some of the Petitioners, as Part of their Subsistence; nor have they ever had any Account of their Off-reckoning, nor reaped any Benefit of the late Act of Parliament for their Relief, their Officers refusing to pay the Petitioners what is due to them, unless compelled by Law; and the Petitioners are not able to sue them: And praying Relief; and that they may be heard by Counsel, touching the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine, and report the Matter, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Transport Debt.

A Petition of *Charles Newton*, and others, Masters of Ships of *Newcastle*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is due to the Petitioners above 2,381 l. for Transport Service, in 1693; and though they borrowed Money at Interest, for victualing and carrying on the said Service, yet the Petitioners have received no manner of Satisfaction; for want whereof, they are reduced to very great Straights: And praying, That Consideration may be had of their said Debts, so as they may be paid what is due to them.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Answer to Address.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That he having presented to his Majesty their Address, That he would please to direct, That a Copy of the Treaty of *Altena* between the King of *Denmark* and Duke of *Holstein*, and all other Matters relating to the Debt due to the Prince of *Denmark*, may be laid before this House; and That his Majesty had been pleased to direct the said Treaty

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Forfeitures.

And he acquainted the House, That the Report of the Commissioners was signed by Four of them; and was an Index to all the rest of the Books:

That they had the Misfortune, that Three of the Gentlemen that acted in the Commission with them; viz. The Earl of *Drogheda*, Sir *Francis Brewster*, and Sir *Richard Leding*, did refuse to sign it; they having some Objections to 8 or 9 Paragraphs in the Report; and therefore they would not sign, but with a Protestation to those 8 or Nine Paragraphs; but that the Four thought it not proper, that Three should sign to a Protestation against the rest, and so they ordered that Leaf, wherein they were named, to be cut out: And afterwards, the Report being made intire, the Four signed and sealed it, pursuant to the Act of Parliament, being a Quorum; and afterwards they desired the Three would do the same; but they refused it:

That they gave them a Day to consider of it; and they attended the Execution; and refused to sign it; and gave their Reasons; a Copy of which also he had ready to deliver in, with the rest, if the House pleased:

As also the Paper which was cut out, with the Earl of *Drogheda's* Name, and the other Gentlemen.

He also acquainted the House, That the Commissioners had sooner attended this House with their Proceedings in this Matter, their Commission being determined the 25th of October; but that the Matter was of so extraordinary Nature, so long, and so many Difficulties did attend it, that he hoped the Time they had taken, will not be ill construed; for that they lost no Time, they not being, one Hour in a Day, absent from the Duty incumbent on them.

And they hoped, That if any thing should be said to their Prejudice, the House will not harbour an ill Opinion of them; but will hear them: And then they doubted not but to give an Answer to the Satisfaction of the House.

And then he withdrew.

And the Report, being the 10th Book, was read.

And also the Memorial of Three of the Commissioners, and the cut Sheet of Paper, with their Names thereto, were also read.

And Mr. Speaker acquainted the House with a Letter which he had received from those Three Commissioners: And he delivered the same in: and the same was also read.

The Report and Nine Books, are bound up together; and the Copy of the Memorial, the cut Sheet, and Letter to Mr. Speaker, are fixed to the said Report.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That a Bill be brought in to apply all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown within that Kingdom, since the 13th day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick: And it is referred to Mr. *Pelham*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Sloane*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Smith*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Davenant*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Thursby*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Hayes*, or any Five of them, to prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do insert into the said Bill a Clause, or Clauses, for erecting a Judicature for determining Claims touching the said forfeited Estates.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That this House will not receive any Petition from any Person whatsoever, touching the said Grants, or forfeited Estates.

*Resolved*, That this House will take into Consideration the great Services performed by the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the forfeited Estates of *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Edmund Denton*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament, be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

A Member  
discharged  
from Custody.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hoblyn* have Leave to go into the Country, for Three Weeks, his Lady being very ill. Leave of Absence.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty. Supply.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Guilford* in the County of *Surry*, be made upon Monday Morning next. Guilford Election.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned. Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Sabbati, 16<sup>o</sup> die Decembris;*

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Wardens and Assistants of the Company of Worsted Weavers, in the City of *Norwich*, and County of *Norfolk*, on behalf of themselves, and others of the same Trade, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners trade is very much improved in the Making all Sorts of Stuffs of *English Wool*, fit for all Sorts of Persons; and met with great Encouragement during the late War, by reason the *East India Company* did not import so many *Indian* Commodities as formerly: But now the Petitioners Trade labours under very great Difficulties; and will be in Danger of being lost, unless some Restraint be laid, or Stop put to the Importation or Consumption of the vast Quantities of Wrought Silks, Bengalls, and printed and stained Calicoes, daily imported from *India*, which are worn instead of our Manufactures: And praying the Consideration of the House, and Relief in the Premises. Importing Wrought Silks, &c.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

Mr. *Blaithe*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to make the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*: And the same was received. Avon Navigation.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Wednesday Morning next.

A Petition of *Mary Berrington*, Aunt and Executrix to *John Berrington*, late Captain in the Marine Regiment, then commanded by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Torrington*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Captain was killed in his Majesty's Service, in the Sea Fight at *Torbay*, in 1690; when there was due to him, for paying his Mens Subsistence, 268*l.* 13*s.*; as appeared by a stated Account, under the Hand of *Seaborn Buckeridge*, in 1692, then Agent of the said Regiment; to whom, as well as Mr. *Harnage* the now Agent, the Petitioner has made her constant Application; but cannot receive One Penny Satisfaction, though Mr. *Harnage* has actually received the Arrears due to the said Regiment: And praying, That he may be obliged to pay her what was due to Captain *Berrington*. Army Arrears.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Mary Oventon*, Widow of *Robert Oventon*, and others, Serjeants of the Regiment of Foot, commanded formerly by Colonel *John Hales*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is Three

Ditto.

Three Years Pay due to the Petitioners from the said Colonel, he having received the same; yet refuses to pay the Petitioners; to their utter Ruin, unless relieved by the House: And praying the Assistance of the House therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nichols*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of *Susanna Macomtash*, Widow, Relict of *James Macomtash*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner's said late Husband served, in all the Wars of *Ireland*, in the Earl of *Meath's* Regiment, until he was cut to Pieces on the Out Guards of *Athlone*, for which he had not received One Penny of Pay: That the said Regiment was afterwards made over to Colonel *Frederick Hambleton*, who has received the Arrears due to the said Regiment; but will not pay the Petitioner, who, with Two small Children, is reduced to a starving Condition: And praying the Consideration of the House, of her deplorable Case.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Ditto.

A Petition of *Richard Tinker*, and others, Serjeants, in behalf of themselves, and others late of the Regiment of Foot commanded by the Honourable Colonel *Richard Coote*, formerly by the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount *Lisborne*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Colonel *Coote*, refusing to pay them, or state their Accounts of what was due to them while under the Command of the Lord *Lisborne*, they went to him, pursuant to a late Act of Parliament for stating their Accounts; whose Answer was, He had nothing to say to them; but, when the King did discount with him, he would discount with them: And though he hath received great Part of the Money due to the Regiment while he commanded it, yet he will not pay the Petitioners, without this House will oblige him to it: And praying the Relief of the House therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

To Ships belonging to <i>English</i> , and Foreigners, that were employed in transporting Forces, Ammunition, Provisions, &c. during the late War in <i>Ireland</i> ; the Sum of	-	-	-	£.	s.	d.
	-	-	-	325,305	13	2
To Ships that were hired in the Year 1693.; the Sum of	-	-	-	75,552	14	11
There is due for Interest of the same, being by Contract to be paid for a Month after the Ships were discharged; viz. the 29th October 1693, to the 29th Instant; is Six Years, and Two Months, at 6l. per Cent. per Annum	-	-	-	27,954	11	0
There is due to Ships that transported the Army, from <i>Holland</i> and <i>Flanders</i> , to <i>England</i> , <i>Scotland</i> , and <i>Ireland</i> , the latter End of the Year 1697; and were discharged in April 1698; and their Accounts adjusted, without Interest, expecting to be paid when the Service was performed; the Sum of	-	-	-	16,224	7	9
				£. 445,037	6	10

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Account be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Rye  
Harbour.

A Petition of the Mayor, Jurats, free Men, and chief Inhabitants, of the ancient Town and Port of *Rye*, in the County of *Sussex*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Harbour of *Rye* is the only Harbour for Ships that the *English* have upon the Coast of *Kent* and *Sussex*, from the *Downes* to *Portsmouth*, Vol. 13.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Southampton* in the County of *Southampton*, in the room of Sir *Benj. Newland* Knight, deceased.

A Petition of the poor Prisoners for Debt and Damages, in his Majesty's Gaol for the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners being many in Number, and by accidental Misfortunes rendered incapable to make their Creditors Satisfaction; and are become a Burden to the Country, and their Families chargeable to their respective Parishes; whereas, if the Petitioners had their Liberty, they could ease those Incumbrances: And praying the Consideration of the House, so as they may, by some Means or other, be relieved from their Confinement.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Prisoners in the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* is referred.

Mr. *Carter* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable *Thomas Noble* Gentleman to sell the undivided Third Part of the Manor of *Forston*, in the County of *Leicester*; and for settling other Lands, an intire Estate, of a greater Value, to the same Uses; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and considered the same; and that all the Persons concerned had given their Consent to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that they had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be ingrossed.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House a List of all Officers employed under the Crown, and of their Salaries, both those paid out of the Civil List, and out of the Monies appropriated, in a Book; and several Lists; the Titles whereof were read.

The Book and Lists are in One Book by themselves.

*Ordered*, That the said Book and Lists, do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Mr. *Lowndes* also, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of the Freight due to Transport Ships.

And the Title thereof was read.

And the Account is as followeth; viz.

which is above 100 Miles by Sea: It lies very convenient for Ships sailing from East to West in Stress of Weather; and lies opposite to *Diep*, and other Ports of *France*; and Ships of War, of considerable Strength, used to ride there, to hinder *French* Ships from infesting our Coast; and, besides, the Mouth of the Harbour is but 60 Fathom wide; so that a Fort might be built there, at a small Charge, which will hinder an Enemy from coming to annoy the Ships riding in *Rye* Harbour: That the Tide used to flow and reflow, near 24 Miles from the said Harbour, up the River *Rother*; whereby small Vessels used



used to convey the Commodities of several Towns to the Town of *Rye*; which thereby had a considerable Trade; and the Fishery also was then much better than now: All which Conveniences and Advantages of the said Harbour are in Danger of being lost, by reason that several Persons, of late Years, have inned several Acres of Land belonging to the said Harbour, and built Flood-gates, and made cross Walls, which hinder the Tide from its usual Flux and Reflux; whereby the Slub is stopped; and Seven Fathom Water, at Low-water Mark, is now brought to 3 Fathom, and yearly grows worse and worse; so that, unless some Care be taken therein, a Ship of Burden will not be able to come into *Rye* Harbour: And praying, That such Course may be taken for restoring the said Harbour to its ancient Goodness, as shall be thought fit; that so considerable a Harbour for the Benefit of the whole Kingdom may not be lost.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter; and report to the House, by what Means the said Harbour became so obstructed and decayed; and what they conceive is fit to be done in relation to the said Harbour.

And it is referred to Sir *Robert Austen*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Roberts*, Sir *Joseph Jekill*, Mr. *Campion*, Sir *Robert Thomas*, Mr. *Poultney*, Mr. *Bridgman*, Mr. *Churchill*, Sir *Cha. Windham*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Sir *Geo. Rook*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Hamond*, Mr. *Pelham*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Kent*, *Sussex*, and for the Cinque and Sea Ports: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Charles Carteret* have Leave to go into the Country, for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Mostyn* have Leave to go into the Country, for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Committee of Privileges.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Freke*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Fra. Windham*, Sir *John Phillips*, Sir *Robert Nappier*, Sir *John Cotton*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Stringer*, Sir *Fra. Child*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Ireton*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Dowds-worth*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Jolliffe*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Wm. Blacket*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Price*, Mr. *Blofield*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Lee*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Western*, Sir *Jacob Ashly*, be added to the Committee of Privileges and Elections.

Order respecting Door-keepers Attendance of Committee of Privileges, &c.

*Ordered*, That the Order of the 18th of January last, That the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do give Orders to the Door-keepers and Messengers of the House, constantly to attend the Committee of Privileges and Elections, and other Committees sitting in the House; and take care, that no Person do crowd or sit upon the Stairs of the House, either below, or above in the Gallery, where the Members ought to sit; and that such Witnesses as shall be examined at the said Committee do attend in the Lobby; and be called in one by one, and severally examined, and then withdraw, for others to come in, and be examined; and that the Passage be kept clear for that Purpose; be revived: And that the same be a standing Order of the House.

Westminster Small Debts.

*Ordered*, That a Bill for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience within the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof, be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next, in a full House.

State of Trade.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and nothing to intervene.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matters to them referred; and had directed him to move, That the Lords of the Admiralty may lay before the House an Account of the Distribution of the Number of Seamen now in Service, the Rates of the Ships, their Stations, and Complements of Men.

*Ordered*, That the Lords of the Admiralty do lay before this House an Account of the Distribution of the Number of Seamen now in Service, the Rates of the Ships, their Stations, and Complements of Men.

Mr. *Conyers* also reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move, That the Lords of the Admiralty may lay before the House a Copy of his Majesty's Order, of the 29th Day of May last, relating to Retrenchments in the Establishment of the Navy; and what they have done in pursuance thereof.

*Ordered*, That the Lords of the Admiralty do lay before this House a Copy of his Majesty's Order, of the 29th Day of May last, relating to Retrenchments in the Establishment of the Navy; and what they have done in pursuance thereof.

Mr. *Conyers* also reported from the said Committee, That they directed him to move, That the Lords of the Admiralty may lay before the House an Estimate of the Charge of the Ordinary of the Navy, for the Year 1700; and of the extraordinary Charges of Repairs necessary to be performed in that Year.

*Ordered*, That the Lords of the Admiralty do lay before this House an Estimate of the Charge of the Ordinary of the Navy, for the Year 1700; and of the extraordinary Charges of Repairs necessary to be performed in that Year.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Luncæ*, 18<sup>o</sup> die Decembris;

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

**A**PETITION of *Richard Henneage*, and others, Army in behalf of themselves and others, disbanded, and Arrears. lately commanded by the Honourable Colonel *Harry Mordant*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there are several Years Arrears of Cloathing due to them, besides great Deductions of Pay; which their Officers detain from them, though they paid several of their Serjeants 50, 48, and 44<sup>l</sup>. a Man; but will give nothing to Corporals, Drums, and Centinels, on Pretence of Ten Months Pay received by Order of the Lords of the Admiralty, as Marines: And, to defraud the Petitioners of what is due to them, Mr. *Tho. Pennington*, the Agent of the said Regiment, makes use of several Receipts in full of all Accounts, which they must sign, or receive nothing; and many through Necessity, and others being illiterate, and not knowing what they did, signed the same, by reason of which, the said Agent says, there is nothing due to the Petitioners; though they could never get any Account from him: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*,

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred : And that they do examine the Matter thereof ; and report the same, with their Opinion therein to the House.

May's Estate.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hughes*, and all that serve for the Counties of *Suffolk* and *Essex*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable *Thomas May* to sell Lands, in the County of *Suffolk*, which were settled upon his First and Second Marriage ; and to convey other Lands, of a greater Value, in the same County, to the same Uses ; is committed.

Excise Penalties, &c.

Mr. *Clark*, from the Commissioners of Excise, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of Penalties and Forfeitures received at the Office of Excise for Ten Years last ; viz. from *Midsummer* One thousand Six hundred Eighty-nine, to *Midsummer* One thousand Six hundred Ninety-nine ; and how the same have been disposed of : And also,

A State of the several Branches of the Revenue of Excise of Beer, Ale, and other exciseable Liquors, how appropriated, for what time granted, and how much were the gross and net Produces of the same, severally, for the Year ending at *Midsummer* One thousand Six hundred Ninety-nine ; together with an Account how the Expences of Management of the respective Branches of the Revenue of Excise are charged : And also,

An Estimate of the gross and net Produces of the several Branches of the Revenue of Excise of Beer, Ale, and other exciseable Liquors, from *Midsummer* 1699, to *Michaelmas* following : And also,

An Account of the Produce of the Malt Duty, and what is now standing out in Arrear, and the Charge of the Management of that Duty.

And the Titles thereof were read.

And the said Accounts, State, and Estimate, are as follow ; viz.

The said ACCOUNT of Penalties and Forfeitures, received at the Office of Excise, for Ten Years last ; viz. from *Midsummer* One thousand Six hundred Eighty-nine, to *Midsummer* One thousand Six hundred Ninety-nine ; and how the same have been disposed of.

		Fines received.			Informers Part.			Poors Part.			King's Part.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Remaining to balance Four Years Accounts of Penalties and Forfeitures, ending the 24th of June 1689 - - -		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	580	19	6½
Received from 24th June 1689, to the 24 June 1699.													
Year ended 24th June - - -	1690.	31	7	0	11	10	8	9	15	8	10	0	8
	1691.	146	16	9	73	7	3	34	17	3	38	12	3
	1692.	96	0	0	39	3	4	23	18	4	32	18	4
	1693.	249	13	0	139	13	0	24	0	0	86	0	0
	1694.	126	19	6	78	11	8	13	7	11	34	19	11
	1695.	414	14	0	180	19	0	81	6	6	152	8	6
	1696.	703	19	4	277	3	7	141	6	1	285	9	8
	1697.	1,495	5	9	609	4	4½	265	11	4½	620	10	0½
	1698.	642	16	0	322	11	4	0	13	4	319	11	4
	1699.	1,737	2	4½	865	3	6½	18	11	8	853	7	1½
		5,644	13	8½	2,597	7	9	613	8	1½	3,014	17	4½
Informers Part and Poors Part - - - - -											3,210	15	10½
											£.	6,225	13 3

	£.	s.	d.
By Monies paid for the Charges of passing the Excise Commission, dated the 13th Day of June 1696, by Order of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, dated 17th November 1696 - - -	126	0	0
By Money paid into the Exchequer, as per Tally, dated 11th March 1696 - - - - -	300	0	0
By Money paid to the Informers, for their Part - - - - -	2,597	7	9
By Money paid to the respective Overseers, and Churchwardens, of the Poor, for the Poors Part - - - - -	613	8	1½
By Money paid into the Exchequer, as per Tally, dated 17th March 1696 - - - - -	1,000	0	0
By Money paid into the Exchequer, as per Tally, dated 24 March 1696 - - - - -	393	17	0
By Money paid into the Exchequer, as per Tally, dated 10 December 1697 - - - - -	500	0	0
By Money paid into the Exchequer, as per Tally, dated 9th January 1698 - - - - -	106	3	0
By Money paid to <i>Tho. Clement</i> , for discovering a private Still House - - - - -	10	0	0
	5,646	15	10½
By Money remaining to Balance - - - - -	578	17	4½
	£.	6,225	13 3

Per *John Haines*, Clerk to the Register.

## The said STATE of the several Branches of the Revenue of Excise.

The several Branches of the Excise of Beer, Ale, and other exciseable Liquors, when granted, for what time granted, and how appropriated; viz.

The hereditary Excise, being 15 *d.* per Barrel, on strong Beer and Ale, together with several other Duties upon other Liquors, were granted 12 *Car.* 2<sup>o</sup>, and settled upon the Crown for ever.

1st, The temporary Excise, being 15 *d.* per Barrel, on strong Beer and Ale, together with several other Duties upon other Liquors, were granted 2<sup>o</sup> *Willi. et Mariae*, for their Lives, and the longest Liver of them.

These Two Branches, by an Act 9<sup>o</sup> and 10<sup>o</sup> *Willi. 3<sup>o</sup>*, intituled, An Act for granting to his Majesty a Subsidy of Tonnage and Poundage, towards raising the yearly Sum of 700,000 *l.* &c. are appropriated to the Use of his Majesty, during his Majesty's Life; and, in the Year ended 24th June 1699, they did amount to the Sum of - - -

2dly, The additional Excise, of 9 *d.* per Barrel on strong Beer and Ale, together with several other Duties upon other Liquors, were granted by an Act of the 4th *Willi. et Mariae*, intituled, An Act for granting to their Majesties certain Rates and Duties upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors, for securing certain Recompences and Advantages, in the said Act mentioned, to such Persons as shall voluntarily advance the Sum of 1,000,000 *l.* towards carrying on the War against *France*; is, by the said Act, appropriated to the Payment of Annuities for 99 Years from 25th January 1692: And these additional Duties, in the Year ended 24 June 1699, did amount to the Sum of - - -

3d, Another additional Excise, of 9 *d.* per Barrel, on strong Beer and Ale, together with several other Duties upon other Liquors, were granted by an Act 5<sup>o</sup> et 6<sup>o</sup> *Willi. et Mariae*, intituled, An Act for granting to their Majesties certain Rates and Duties upon Salt, and upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors, &c.; was granted for 16 Years from the 17th May 1697; and is, by the same Act, appropriated to the Payment of the Lottery Tickets: And these Duties, in the Year ended 24 June 1699, did amount to the Sum of - - -

4th, Also another additional Excise, of 9 *d.* per Barrel, on strong Beer and Ale, together with several other Duties upon other Liquors, were granted by another Act 5<sup>o</sup> et 6<sup>o</sup> *Willi. et Mariae*, intituled, An Act for granting to their Majesties several Duties upon Tonnage of Ships and Vessels, and upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors, &c.; was granted from 17th May 1697, in Perpetuity; and is, by the said Act, appropriated as follows; viz. 4 Parts of it are payable to the Bank of *England*, in Consideration of 1,200,000 *l.* Part of 1,500,000 *l.* lent by several Subscribers; and the remaining 7th Parts is payable for Annuities, to such Persons as contributed towards Payment of 300,000 *l.* Remainder of the said 1,500,000 *l.* into the Exchequer: And these Duties, in the Year ended 24th June 1699, did amount to the Sum of - - -

5th, The Duties upon Low Wines and Sweets, granted by an Act 7<sup>o</sup> et 8<sup>o</sup> *Willi. 3<sup>o</sup>*, intituled, An Act for laying several Duties upon Low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction, &c. were granted for Five Years, commencing from the 25 March 1696; being to enable his Majesty to borrow, upon the Credit of this Act, any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding 70,000 *l.*: And these Duties, in the Year ended the 24th Day of June 1699, did amount to the Sum of - - -

Total of the above-mentioned Duties, in the Year ending 24 June 1699 - - - *l.*

Gross Produce of each Branch.	Drawbacks for Beer and Spirits exported, and Allowance for Overcharges.	Charges of Management.	Net Produce.	Total of the 3 last Columns.
<i>l.</i> <i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>	<i>l.</i> <i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>	<i>l.</i> <i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>	<i>l.</i> <i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>	<i>l.</i> <i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>
416,382 9 2	1,077 8 8½	51,486 17 11½	363,818 2 6½	416,382 9 2
136,870 18 5½	829 13 9	16,924 8 4½	119,116 16 3½	136,870 18 5½
143,313 4 3	829 13 9	17,721 0 4½	124,762 10 1½	143,313 4 3
136,870 18 5	829 13 9	16,924 8 4½	119,116 16 3½	136,870 18 5
22,163 15 1½	289 5 6½	2,740 12 5½	19,133 17 1½	22,163 15 1½
855,601 5 5	3,855 15 5½	105,797 7 7½	745,948 2 4½	855,601 5 5

Note. Brandy is at 2<sup>s.</sup> per Gall. by this 9 *d.* and but 6 *d.* per Gall. by each of the other 9 Pence.

Peter Deane Montague, Accountant General.

The said ESTIMATE of the gross and net Produces of Excise.

	Gross Produce.			Repaid for Beer and Cyder exported.			Charges of Management.			Net Produce.			Total of the Three last Columns.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Hereditary and temporary Excise - - -	110,583	10	5½	200	11	0½	15,685	10	9½	94,697	8	7	110,583	10	5½
Ninepence for 99 Years - - - - -	36,197	2	10	63	12	1½	5,134	5	6	30,999	5	2½	36,197	2	10
Lottery Ninepence -	39,362	9	6½	63	12	1½	5,583	5	6	33,715	11	10½	39,362	9	6½
Bank Ninepence - -	36,197	2	10½	63	12	1½	5,134	5	6	30,999	5	2½	36,197	2	10½
Low Wines and Sweets	6,708	4	5½	31	8	8½	951	10	4	5,725	5	5½	6,708	4	5½
£.	229,048	10	2	422	16	2	32,488	17	7½	196,136	16	4½	229,048	10	2

Per Deane Monteage, Accountant General.

The said ACCOUNT of the Produce of the Malt Duty, and what is now standing out in Arrear, and the Charge of the Management of that Duty.

Charge.		£.	s.	d.
To the gross Produce of the Duty of Malt, in Stock on the 20th of April 1697 - -	-	160,198	8	1
To the gross Produce of the said Duty, from the 20th April 1697, to the 24th June 1697	-	20,515	12	4½
To the gross Produce of the said Duty, from 24th June 1697, to 24th June 1698 -	-	435,426	10	11½
To the gross Produce of the said Duty, from the 24th June 1698, to 24th June 1699 -	-	385,794	3	10
To the gross Produce of the said Duty, from 24th June 1699, to the 20th July 1699 -	-	2,348	8	8½
		£. 1,004,283	3	11
Discharge.		£.	s.	d.
By Cash paid into the Exchequer from the 20th April 1697, to the 13th December 1699, inclusive - - - - -	-	867,380	1	9
By Discount allowed for prompt Payment of the Duty of Malt, in Stock on the 20th April 1697 - - - - -	-	6,424	10	6
By Money repaid for Malt exported, and Allowances for Over-charges - - - - -	-	14,452	7	8½
By Deficiency in recoinage old hammered Silver Coin - - - - -	-	20,802	14	10
By Charges of Management - - - - -	-	46,666	13	4
		955,726	8	1½
By Arrears depending, Bills of Exchange unpaid, &c. - - - - -	-	48,556	15	9½
Which evens the Charge - - - - -	-	£. 1,004,283	3	11

Per Deane Monteage, Accountant General.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Accounts, State, and Estimate, be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Reading Election.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of Reading in the County of Berks, be made To-morrow Morning.

Debtors Petition.

A Petition of the many Prisoners in the County Prisons of England, particularly in the County of Cornwall, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, by Losses and Misfortunes, are detained in Prison for Ten times more than they owe, by the Contrivance of ill Attorneys, holding them to excessive Bail, and by outlawing them without Notice, to their utter Ruin; against which there is no Redress, but by a Suit at Law, which poor Prisoners are no ways able to undergo: That, by the late Composition Act, many hundred Prisoners in and about London were discharged; but the Prisoners in remote Parts did not know of the said Act, till the Time therein limited was past: So that the Petitioners are without Remedy, reduced to great Want, without the Relief of this House: And praying, That Consideration may be had of their deplorable Condition; and some Remedy may be found out for their Relief.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of

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the Prisoners in the Prisons of the King's Bench and Fleet is referred.

A Petition of Sir Charles Bickerstaffe, Proposer of the Land Kentish Land Lottery; John Warkhouse, Robert Doughty, Thomas Gratwick, Esquires, Proposers of the Norfolk Land Lottery; Henry Cotigno Gentleman, and others, Trustees for the Hornsey Land Lottery; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Lotteries were not set on foot for any private Advantage to any particular Person, but to accommodate the Necessities of the several Families concerned, and to discharge several Debts, which cannot be otherwise discharged, but by intire Sale of the whole Estates; and that the Persons concerned have been at great Charges, and made considerable Progress therein, but have no time to perfect the Drawing, within the time limited by the late Act for suppressing Lotteries: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for allowing them to complete and draw the said Lotteries.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee; and they to examine the Matter, and report to the House their Opinion thereupon;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Scobell, } 63.  
                                  { Mr. Molyneux: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Ashurst, } 75.  
                                  { Mr. Lowther: }

So it passed in the Negative.

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Resolved,



*Resolved*, That the Petition be rejected.

A Member  
discharged  
from  
Custody.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jenkins*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament, be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Justices of  
Peace Qua-  
lifications.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace: And that Mr. *Topham* and Mr. *Harcourt* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Seamen's  
Arrears.

A Petition of *George Richardson*, and others, on behalf of themselves and several Thousand Mariners belonging to his Majesty's Navy, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners served in the Navy many Years; but are kept out of their Pay, upon Pretence of Q's and R's being set upon their Names in the Navy Books; and, though they petitioned and solicited all probable Ways to recover their Wages, they have met with no Redress; to their great Discouragement, and utter Ruin: And praying the Consideration of the House thereof; and that they may have such Relief as shall be thought fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *George Rook*, Sir *Cloudsly Shovell*, Colonel *Granville*, Sir *Wm. Phippard*, Mr. *Sargison*, Sir *Isaac Rebow*, Mr. *Nicholson*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Molynaux*, Mr. *Henley*, Mr. \*\*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Winnington*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Papillon*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Sir *James Hublon*, Mr.

*Admiralty Office*, 18 December 99.

The said ACCOUNT of the Distribution of the Number of Seamen now in Service; the Rates of their Ships; their Stations, and Complements of Men; besides the Ships ordered to be paid off, and laid up.

*Hysham*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Colonel *Wharton*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*; and all that serve for the Sea Ports: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have an especial Regard to the Discipline of the Navy: And that the Committee have Power to send for Persons and Papers.

Sir *George Rook*, from the Lords of the Admiralty, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of the Distribution of the Number of Seamen now in Service; the Rates of their Ships; their Stations, and Complements of Men; besides the Ships ordered to be paid off, and laid up: And also,

A Copy of his Majesty's Order of the 29th of May last, relating to Retrenchments in the Establishment of the Navy: And also,

A Memorial concerning Retrenchments in the Navy, in pursuance of his Majesty's Order of the 29th of May 1699: And also,

A Memorial about the Double and Half-pay for the Officers of his Majesty's Fleet, in pursuance of his Majesty's Order of the 29th of May 1699: And also,

An Estimate of the Charge of the Ordinary of the Navy for the Year 1700; and of the extraordinary Charges of Repairs necessary to be performed in that Year.

And the Titles thereof were read.

And the said Account, Order, Memorial, and Estimate, are as follow; viz.

Seamen now  
in Service.

Rates.	Ships Names.	Complement of Men.	Stations, or where at present.
3 - - -	Suffolk - - -	293	At Spithead.
	Expedition - - -	293	
	Kent - - -	293	
	Revenge - - -	293	
	Carlisle - - -	149	
4 - - -	Plymouth - - -	206	A Tender on the Ships at Spithead.
	Salisbury - - -	149	
	Severne - - -	149	
	Worcester - - -	149	
	Windsor - - -	278	
Sloop - - -	Blackwell-Hall - - -	12	Cruising on the Coast of Ireland, to prevent the Exportation of Wool.
5 - - -	Bridgwater - - -	90	
6 - - -	Love - - -	90	
	Swan - - -	70	
	Solebay - - -	70	
Sloops - - -	Bonetta - - -	35	Attend the Lords Justices Orders on the Coast of Ireland.
	Shark - - -	35	
	Prohibition - - -	35	
	Merlin - - -	35	
	Swallow - - -	35	
Advice Boat 6 - - -	Swift - - -	35	Attend the Commissioners of the Navy } Follow the Navy Board's Orders.
	Wolf - - -	35	
Yachts - - -	Express - - -	35	Transport Timber and Stores from Place to Place.
	Flambrough - - -	70	
Store Ships	Soesdyke - - -	35	Attends on Jersey.
	Charlotte - - -	20	
Yacht - - -	Katherine - - -	30	Attends on Guernsey.
	Canterbury - - -	35	
6 - - -	Isabella - - -	20	Attends on the Isle of Wight.
	Seaford - - -	70	
Yachts - - -	Isle of Wight - - -	5	Go to and again between England, and Holland, and France.
	William and Mary - - -	40	
	Fubbs - - -	30	
	Henrietta - - -	20	
	Mary - - -	20	
4 - - -	Katherine - - -	20	Guard-ships at Chatham.
	Mary - - -	80	
	Mountague - - -	80	
	Romney - - -	80	

Rates.

Rates.	Ships Names.	Complement of Men.	Stations, or where at present.
5 - - -	{ Feversham - - -	80 }	Guard-ships at <i>Plymouth</i> .
Pireship	{ Winchelsea - - -	80 }	
	Griffin - - -	45	Guard-ship at <i>Sheerness</i> .
	Ships going abroad.		
	{ Advice - - -	197 }	Going to <i>New England</i> , to fetch home Captain <i>Kidd</i> .
4 - - -	{ Portland - - -	197 }	Ordered to be fitted for a Voyage to <i>New England</i> .
5 - - -	Mary Gally - - -	115 }	
4 - - -	Crowne - - -	149	<i>Spithead</i> } Ordered to the <i>Canarys</i> .
	Betty - - -	115	<i>Sheerness</i> }
5 - - -	{ Shoreham - - -	115 }	Ordered to <i>Jamaica</i> , and from thence to <i>Virginea</i> , to attend there.
	{ Poole - - -	115 }	<i>Plymouth</i> , going to cruize off the <i>Cape de Verd</i> Islands.
	Ships now abroad.		
4 - - -	Hampshire - - -	197 }	Gone up the <i>Streights</i> , with the Trade from <i>Newfoundland</i> .
5 - - -	Lowstaff - - -	115	Cruising off the <i>Cape de Verd</i> Islands.
4 - - -	Winchester - - -	197 }	
	{ Adventure - - -	160 }	
5 - - -	{ Rye - - -	115 }	Cruising against the <i>Sally</i> Rovers.
	{ Lyme - - -	115 }	
6 - - -	{ Pensance - - -	95 }	
Brigantine	{ Dunwich - - -	95 }	<i>Plymouth</i> , ordered to join the Ships cruising against the <i>Sally</i> Rovers.
	Spye - - -	35 }	
4 - - -	{ Harwich - - -	197 }	
	{ Anglesea - - -	197 }	In the <i>East Indies</i> .
5 - - -	Hastings - - -	115 }	
6 - - -	Lizard - - -	95 }	
4 - - -	{ Gloucester - - -	278 }	
	{ Falmouth - - -	197 }	<i>West India</i> Squadron, ordered home
5 - - -	Linn - - -	115 }	
6 - - -	Gernoon Prize - - -	50 }	
5 - - -	{ Ludlow - - -	115 }	Attends on <i>Barbados</i> - - - -
	{ South Sea Castle - - -	115 }	Attend on <i>Jamaica</i> - - - -
6 - - -	{ Biddiford - - -	95 }	Attends on the <i>Leeward Islands</i> - - -
	{ Margate - - -	95 }	
5 - - -	Arundell - - -	115 }	Attend on <i>New England</i> and <i>New York</i>
6 - - -	Newport - - -	95 }	
Advice Boat	Messenger - - -	40	Attends on <i>Maryland</i> - - - -
5 - - -	{ Dolphin - - -	90 }	
	{ Roebuck - - -	50 }	On particular Services - - - -
6 - - -	Rupert Prize - - -	70 }	
Pink	Paramour - - -	20 }	
5 - - -	Saudados Prize - - -	150 }	At <i>Jamaica</i> - - - }
6 - - -	Maidstone - - -	95 }	At <i>Barbados</i> - - - }
5 - - -	Speedwell - - -	115 }	At <i>Leeward Islands</i> - - - }
6 - - -	{ Queenborough - - -	95 }	At <i>Virginea</i> - - - }
	{ Essex Prize - - -	60 }	
		8,510	

*Memorandum*, That when the Ships of the growing Charge at *Portsmouth* shall be paid off, which now do the Duty of Guard-ships, there must be Three Guard-ships at *Portsmouth* of 80 Men each; and there must also be a 3d Ship of the 5th Rate fitted for *Newfoundland* of 115 Men; so that then the whole Number will be Eight thousand Eight hundred Sixty-five Men.

J. Bridgwater,  
Haversham, G. Rook.  
D. Mitchell, Geo. Churchill.

Navy Establishment.

The said Copy of his Majesty's Order of the 29th of May last, relating to Retrenchments in the Establishment of the Navy; viz.

My Lords, *Whitehall*, 29th May 1699.

His Majesty commands me to acquaint you, That he would have you take into Consideration, and lay before him, what you think may be conveniently retrenched from the present Charge of the Navy; and particularly that you apply yourselves to consider what relates to Half-pay, or double Half-pay, pretended to by the Officers of the Fleet in time of Peace; and how far the same may be fit to be continued. I am, my Lords,

Your Lordships most faithful humble Servant,

A true Copy.

J. Burchett,

Ja. Vernon.

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The said Memorial concerning Retrenchments in the Navy, pursuant to his Majesty's Order of the 29th of May 1699.

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*.

Memorial for their Excellencies the Lords Justices.

His Majesty's Pleasure having been signified to us, by the Right Honourable Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, the 29th of May last, that we should consider, and lay before his Majesty, what we think may be most conveniently retrenched from the present Charge of the Navy; and that we should particularly consider what relates to Half-pay, and the double Half-pay, pretended to by the Officers of the Fleet in time of Peace; and how far the same may be fit to be continued: And their Excellencies the Lords Justices

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having lately signified their Pleasure to us, That, in pursuance of his Majesty's said Commands, we should consider of and prepare a Scheme to be laid before them, for lessening the Expences of the several Branches of the Navy: We do humbly report to their Excellencies, in the following Method, what we have already ordered to be retrenched since his Majesty's Pleasure was signified to us; and what other Heads have fallen under our Consideration for Retrenchments: Which we most humbly expect their Excellencies Directions in; viz.

We did, in the first Place, give Orders for discharging the Muster-masters at *Yarmouth* and *Shorcham*, whose Salaries together amounted to 150*l.* per Annum.

We have ordered the Navy Board to cause all possible Dispatch to be made, in the Finishing the new 5th Rate building at *Kinsale*; and that, so soon as the same is done, not only the Officers and Workmen now in Pay there be retrenched, but the Yards also, and Houses hired therein on occasion of the War, and the Hulks, Transport Vessels, and Stores brought away, and only the Person continued there, who now serves as Store-keeper and Clerk of the Cheque, to look after the King's Yard and Houses, and muster the Ships, which shall have Occasion, from time to time, to come to that Port; whereby the yearly Charge of about 1,500*l.* will be saved.

And, in regard it is intended the Squadron now in the *Streights* shall be called home, Orders will be given for sending from thence the Officers belonging to One of the Two Hulks, which Hulks are to be left with the Officers only of One, to do what is necessary for cleaning and careening the Squadron going against *Sally*; so that the yearly charge of 138*l.* will by this means be retrenched.

The Solicitor for the Affairs of this and the Navy Office having had 100*l.* a Year during the War, that Salary is retrenched; and he is to do the Duty of his Place for his Fees only.

As for the Charge, which his Majesty has been at upon account of the Officers, for managing the Affairs of the Register, and Sick and Wounded, we have ordered the Navy Board, according to their own Proposals, to cause the same to be performed by Members of their Board, not charged with any particular Branch of the Business of their Office, and the like Directions will be given for the carrying on by those Gentlemen the Business for collecting the Sixpences, according to Act of Parliament, from Seamen, towards maintaining the Hospital at *Greenwich*; by which Retrenchment, including the Instruments necessary to assist the Commissioners appointed for this Service, his Majesty will be eased of the Charge of more than 2,000*l.* per Annum.

Having thus laid before their Excellencies the several Particulars, which we have already ordered to be retrenched for easing the growing Charge, which amounts to near 4,000*l.* per Annum, we pray Leave humbly to mention some other Heads, which have been proposed by the principal Officers and Commissioners of the Navy for Retrenchments, together with our Observations thereon; viz.

1st. That of Secretary to the Fleet, in regard every Admiral, . . . is presumed, may reasonably expect to have the Choice of his own Secretary. Upon this Head, we pray Leave to inform their Excellencies, That this standing Office of Secretary to the Fleet was approved of, and directed by his Majesty, and accordingly he was established, as well for Peace as War, at the Allowance of 450*l.* per Annum for himself and Clerk: The then Board of Admiralty did think it advisable to recommend such an Officer, in regard not only of the Trust incident to the Employment, but that they might have more particular Accounts of all Transactions in the Fleet; and in regard it has heretofore happened, as possibly it may hereafter, that the Choice of such an Officer by the Admiral may sufficiently shew what Caution ought to be taken who is admitted to that Trust; and that the Expence thereof has often amounted, during the late War, to as much, or more than the Allowance to the present Officers: It is therefore most humbly submitted to their Excellencies,

whether this Office shall be retrenched, or continued as it is.

2. There is an Officer, who has, during the late War, and still does enjoy the Salary of 200*l.* per Annum, upon account of building Bomb Vessels for his Majesty; and though the Want of such an Officer may, at this time, in our humble Opinion, be dispensed with; yet, in regard he was appointed by his Majesty's special Warrant, we do humbly submit it to their Excellencies.

3. Another Person has, for many Years, enjoyed the Salary of 50*l.* per Annum, as Surveyor of the Woods in *New England*: His Business is, as he informs us, the Taking Care to preserve the Trees in those Parts fit for Masts; and he says, That in doing it, he yearly expends the Moiety of his Salary. The Navy Board acquaint us, That they do not remember any Benefit has accrued to the Navy by the Service of this Person; wherefore we shall only inform their Excellencies, That he holds his Employment under the Great Seal, and submit his Case to their Excellencies Pleasure.

4. As to what relates to the Sea Officers their being allowed double Pay while at Sea, and Half-pay on Shore, we have had under our Consideration what Alterations or Retrenchments may be made in that Particular; but it being a matter of such Consequence, as requires a very mature Consideration, before any Opinion be given concerning the same, we shall accordingly weigh every particular Circumstance relating thereto, with respect not only to the Good of the Service, but the comfortable Support of the Officers; and give their Excellencies our Opinion upon the Whole as soon as possibly may be.

And having thus laid before their Excellencies, not only the several Particulars already retrenched by us, but those also which have been offered to us for Retrenchments, with our Observations thereon, we pray Leave further to observe, That notwithstanding what has been, since the War, retrenched by the late Board, what has further been done therein by us, and what other Methods ought to be taken, for easing the present Charge, as far as it may consist with the Good of his Majesty's Service, the principal Officers and Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy have represented to us the Evils, which attend the Taking off the Assistants to the Surveyor, Clerk of the Acts, and Comptroller of the Victualling Accounts, as also the Reduction of the Salaries to the chief Clerks in the Ticket Office; insomuch that they acquaint us, they should think it unanswerable in them, did they not represent it to us as a Retrenchment wholly unsafe for his Majesty both in his Service and Treasure, and for them in their Management thereof, while assisted by Persons labouring under Salaries so little adequate to the Trusts committed to them, or the Qualifications fitting them for the same: Whereupon we did, some Days since, direct those Gentlemen, That, in case their present Instructions were not sufficient to enable them effectually to carry on his Majesty's Service, they should propose unto us what they thought proper, with respect to the Adding no greater Charge to the Navy than was absolutely necessary; and they having thereupon recommended to us the Continuance of the Second Assistant to the Surveyor of the Navy at 150*l.* per Annum, and the Assistants to the Clerk of the Acts and Comptroller of the Victualling at 300*l.* per Annum each; as also the Salaries of the chief Clerk to the Comptroller of the Navy in the Business of Wages, and the Two chief Clerks of the Ticket Office, at 200*l.* per Annum each; we thought it our Duty humbly to acquaint their Excellencies, That, upon Consideration of the great Increase of Business in the late War, it was, on the repeated Instances of the Navy Board, thought for the Service to appoint Two Assistants to the Surveyor of the Navy, and to increase the Salary of the Comptroller's chief Clerk, and to the Two chief Clerks to the Ticket Office, that of the Assistant to the Clerk of the Acts having been an Office at the Salary of 300*l.* per Annum, as well before as during the whole Time of the late War: But, in regard the former Board did think it necessary intirely to reduce the aforesaid Assistants, and to retrench the Salaries of the Three

Three Clerks; and the Navy Board have since, in so pressing a manner, represented the Inconveniencies thereof, and the Necessity there is of restoring both the one and the other, we do most humbly report our Opinion to their Excellencies, That, in regard those Gentlemen are, by daily Experience, the most proper Judges what Assistance is wanting, to enable them to carry on the Business of their Office to the Advantage of his Majesty's Service, we cannot do otherwise than advise the restoring the afore-mentioned Officers, and the Salaries to the Clerks, lest otherwise the Discipline and Oeconomy of the Navy be subjected to the Inconveniencies those Gentlemen are apprehensive of: We do most humbly submit the same to their Excellencies, for such Directions therein as their Excellencies shall think fit. Dated at the Admiralty Office this 27th July 1699.

Haversham,  
G. Rooke,  
D. Mitchell.

18 Dec. 1699.  
A true Copy,

J. Burchett.

The said Memorial about the Double and Half-pay for the Officers of his Majesty's Fleet, in pursuance of his Majesty's Order of the 29th of May 1699.

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of England, &c.

Memorial for their Excellencies the Lord Justices in Council.

His Majesty having been pleased by his Order in Council, dated the 22d February 1694. to establish Double Pay on the Flag Officers, Commanders, Lieutenants, Masters, and Surgeons, of his Majesty's Ships of War, during their being in Service at Sea, and Half of the said Pay in the time of Peace at Home, to the Flag Officers, and Commanders of Ships, of the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4, and 5th Rates, and of Fire Ships; as also to the First Lieutenants, and the Masters of the 1st, 2, and 3d Rates, who should serve and perform their respective Duties as is required by the said Establishment: And his Majesty's Pleasure having been signified to this Board the 29th of May last, by the Right Honourable Mr. Secretary Vernon, That we should take into Consideration, and lay before his Majesty, what might conveniently be retrenched from the present Charge of the Navy; and that particularly we should apply ourselves to consider what relates to the before-mentioned Double Pay and Half-pay; and how far the same may be fit to be continued: We, having already reported to their Excellencies, what Retrenchments have been made in the Charge of the Navy since the Close of the War, do humbly refer their Excellencies thereunto for Answer to his Majesty's Pleasure signified in the first Part of Mr. Secretary's aforesaid Letter.

As for the other Part thereof, which relates to the Double Pay of the Officers at Sea, and Half-pay while out of Employment on Shore, we have had that Matter under mature Consideration; and do humbly propose to their Excellencies, That, in case the present Pay, which his Majesty has been graciously pleased to establish on them for their Encouragement and Support, shall be thought too great, the following Allowances may be made them; viz.

	The whole Pay now	
	allowed per diem.	proposed per diem.
The Admiral of the Fleet	£. s. d. 6 0 0	5 0 0
White	4 0 0	3 10 0
Blue	4 0 0	3 10 0
Vice Admirals	3 0 0	2 10 0
Rear Admirals	2 0 0	1 15 0
Captain to the Admiral of the Fleet	2 0 0	1 15 0
Captains of 1st Rates	1 10 0	1 0 0
2	1 4 0	0 16 0
3d	1 0 0	0 13 6

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	The whole Pay now		Navy Establishment.
	allowed per diem.	proposed per diem.	
Captains of 4 Rates	£. s. d. 0 15 0	£. s. d. 0 10 0	
5	0 12 0	0 8 0	
6	0 10 0	0 6 0	
Lieutenants of First Rates	0 6 0	0 5 0	
Second	0 6 0	0 5 0	
Third	0 5 0	0 4 0	
Fourth	0 5 0	0 4 0	
Fifth	0 5 0	0 4 0	
Sixth	0 5 0	0 4 0	
Masters of First Rates	per mensem. 14 0 0	per mensem. 9 2 0	
Second	12 12 0	8 8 0	
Third	9 7 4	6 6 0	
Fourth	8 12 4	5 12 0	
Fifth	7 15 0	5 2 8	
Sixth	6 12 0	4 13 4	

Surgeons to have their present Allowance of Sea Pay.

By which their Excellencies will perceive, That near a Third Part of the present Double Pay to these Officers will be retrenched.

Having thus laid before their Excellencies our Opinion, relating to the Sea Pay of the Officers of the Fleet, we think it our Duty humbly to offer, That it will be much for his Majesty's Service, and for the safety of the Kingdom, to have always a competent Number of experienced Sea Officers supported on Shore, who may be within Reach to answer any sudden or emergent Occasion; and therefore do humbly propose the Number of Flag Officers, Captains, Lieutenants, and Masters following, to be always supported on Shore while out of Employment, by the Allowances against their Names expressed.

	per diem.	
	£. s. d.	
One Admiral of the Fleet, at	2 10 0	
One Admiral of the White, at	1 15 0	
One Admiral of the Blue, at	1 15 0	
Three Vice Admirals, each at	1 5 0	
Three Rear Admirals, each at	0 17 6	
The First Captain to the Admiral of the Fleet, at	0 17 6	

Captains 50: Who have served during the late War, according to their Seniorities from the Dates of their First Commissions; viz. Twenty of them at 10 s. and Thirty at 8 s. per diem.

Lieutenants 100: Who have served during the late War, according to their Seniorities from the Dates of their First Commissions; viz. 40 at 2 s. 6 d. and Sixty at Two Shillings per diem.

Masters 30: Who have served during the late War, according to their Seniority from the Dates of their First Warrants; viz. Fifteen of them at 2 s. 6 d. and Fifteen at 2 s. per diem.

The whole Charge whereof amounting but to 18,113 l. per Annum more than Half of what was allowed by the former Establishment, according to the Estimates made thereof, will be saved to his Majesty.

It is further humbly proposed,

1st, That this Allowance to the said Officers for their Support on Shore, be placed in the ordinary Estimate of the Navy, and paid quarterly, by Bills to be signed for the same by the principal Officers and Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy, according to such Orders as they shall, from time to time, receive, on that behalf, . . . the Lord High Admiral, or Commissioners of the Admiralty for the Time being; and not only this Allowance, but also the Sea Pay, may commence from the First day of this present October.

2dly, That the Officers to receive the Benefit of this Allowance on Shore, shall be only such as to the Flag Officers, Captains, and Lieutenants, who have, or shall be commissioned, by the Lord High Admiral of England, or



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or the Lords Commissioners for executing that Office; and, as to the Masters, such who have, or shall be warranted, by the principal Officers of the Navy, or such Flag Officers, Captains, Lieutenants, and Masters, as have, or shall be appointed by the Admirals, Commanders in Chief, or others abroad; and shall have their Commissions or Warrants confirmed by the Lord High Admiral, the Lords Commissioners for executing that Office, or the principal Officers and Commissioners of the Navy, respectively.

3dly, That no Officer be intitled to this Allowance on Shore, who shall absent himself from his Majesty's Service without the Permission of the Lord High Admiral, or Lords Commissioners for executing that Office, or that shall be dismissed therefrom for any Misdemeanor, either by the Lord High Admiral, or Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, or by Sentence of a Court Martial; or who shall not behave himself to the full Satisfaction of the Lord High Admiral, or Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty aforesaid.

4thly, That no Officer whatsoever, who shall have Leave to be absent, be intitled to the Benefit of this Allowance, in case, during the time of his Absence, he shall be employed in Merchants Service, or otherwise, so as to be out of his Majesty's Dominions, and thereby rendered unable to attend his Majesty's Service, when summoned thereunto.

5thly, That no Officer be intitled to this Allowance during the time he shall enjoy the Benefit of any publick Employment.

6. That the Flag Officers, Captains, Lieutenants, and Masters, who shall have this Allowance, shall, at all times be ready to obey such Orders as they shall receive from the Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing that Office, for the Time being; to which End they are to transmit an Account, from time to time, to the Secretary to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, of the Places of their respective Habitations, that so, when his Majesty's Service requires their Attendance, they may be the more readily called thereunto.

7. And whereas it may be thought necessary for the Service, That not only some of the Flag Officers, but also of the Captains, Lieutenants, and Masters, intitled to this Allowance, should reside near his Majesty's respective Yards, to assist in the Fitting out of his Majesty's Ships, or doing any other Service; the said Flag Officers, as well as the Captains, Lieutenants, and Masters, shall be obliged to reside at such Place or Places as the Lord High Admiral, or Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, shall, from time to time, direct; and diligently to perform all such Services as shall be required from them.

8. After the First Settlement of Officers for this Allowance, when any of them shall die, or that it shall be found necessary for the Service to employ any of them at Sea, whether Captains, Lieutenants, or Masters, the same Number of like Officers, who have the next Right thereunto by Seniority, with respect to the Dates of their First Commissions or Warrants, are to be admitted to the said Allowance in their room, so long as they shall be in Service; which Officers, so in Sea Pay, shall return again to the said Allowance so soon as discharged, and those put in their room are then to have no longer the said Allowance, unless any of them shall have a present Claim thereunto by the Death or Removal of some one or more of those Officers who preceded them; that so the Persons who shall, from time to time, enjoy this Benefit, may be constantly such Officers out of Employment as have a fair Pretension thereunto by their Seniority as aforesaid; and, according to their Seniority, they are to have the Benefit either of the greater or lesser Allowance, not only at the First Settlement thereof on them, but as Opportunities shall happen of placing others, either by Death or otherwise, which is most humbly submitted.

Admiralty Office,  
18 December 1699.  
A true Copy,

J. Burchett.

J. Bridgwater,  
G. Rooke,  
D. Mitchell.

The said Estimate of the Charge of the Ordinary of the Navy for the Year 1700.

Lords of the Admiralty, Commissioners of the Navy, with their Secretaries, Officers, Clerks, and Instruments, Rents of the Offices, and Contingencies relating thereto	£.	s.	d.
	25,610	17	8
Half-pays to Sea Officers, according to the Establishment on that behalf	35,014	16	11
Pensions to the Superannuated Sea Officers, and to the Widows of others	10,940	14	3

Yards,	£.	s.	d.
Chatham	3,247	0	6
Deptford	2,836	8	10
Woolwich	2,266	2	2
Portsmouth	3,281	16	3
Sheerness	1,557	19	11
Plymouth	2,160	18	11
Kinsale	885	0	0
Muster Masters, and other Officers of the Out Ports	1,219	0	0
Wages to Ships and Vessels in ordinary	34,908	9	0
Victuals for ditto	14,937	12	6
Charge of Harbour Moorings	45,156	9	2
Ordinary Repairs of the Ships in Harbour, and of the Docks, Wharfs, Storehouses, &c.	35,333	11	0
Charge of the Office for Registering of Seamen, and taking care of such as are sick or wounded	26,712	10	0
Total	£. 246,069	7	1

An Estimate of the Charge of the extraordinary Works necessary to be performed in his Majesty's Navy the ensuing Year for which no Provision is made, either by the ordinary Estimate, or the Estimate of Wear and Tear of the Ships at Sea.

For rebuilding and repairing as many of his Majesty's Ships in Harbour, as can conveniently be rebuilt and repaired the next Year, and completing, and laying apart their Rigging, Furniture, and Stores, the Sum of	£.	s.	d.
	91,782	0	0
For new wharfing the West Dock at Deptford, cleaning the same, and making and fixing a new Pair of Gates thereto; as also for carrying a Wharf at Woolwich further out into the River for enlarging the said Yard, the Sum of	5,672	0	0
For taking down, and rebuilding, the old Mast-house at Portsmouth, which is fallen to Decay, and making Rooms for the Sail Makers and Joiners to work in, together with a Mould Loft, the Sum of	2,429	0	0
For removing the Soil and deepening the River at Chatham before the Docks, for the more easy and safe docking and undocking his Majesty's Ships, the Sum of	2,500	0	0

Total	102,383	0	0
Charge of the Ordinary of the Navy	246,069	7	1
Total	£. 348,452	7	1

J. Bridgwater,  
Haversham, D. Mitchell,  
G. Rooke, Geo. Churchill.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Account, Estimate, Order, and Memorials, be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

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Ordered,

Guildford  
Election.

Ordered, That Mr. *Blathwait* do lay before this House an Account of such Persons who had Half-pay, who have been otherwise provided for by his Majesty.

Sir *Roxland Gwynn*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to the said Committee touching the Election for the Borough of *Guildford* in the County of *Surry*; and the Resolution of the Committee, thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House: Which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Upon the Petition of *John Weston* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election, and Return of *Foot Onslow* Esquire, to serve for the Borough:

That, upon the Polls, the Numbers were,

For Mr. <i>Weston</i>	-	-	-	-	114
For Mr. <i>Onslow</i>	-	-	-	-	108

So that the Petitioner having the Majority of the Poll, it rested upon the Sitting Member to justify his Return.

And, to that End and Purpose, the Sitting Member's Counsel took Exception to Eleven of the Persons that voted for the Petitioner; viz. *John Betts*, *Joseph Cowper*, *Emery Parker*, *Jonas Christmas*, *Henry Catten*, *Geo. Stanton*, *George Lyne*, *Robert Gates*, *James Lyne*, *John Tidy*, *Daniel Green*:

That the Right was agreed to be in the Freemen and Freeholders resient in the Borough, paying Scot and Lot.

That, to make out the Sitting Member's Exceptions, the Counsel called.

*James May*: Who said, He was a Shoemaker; and *Betts* was only bound to him under a Colour to be made free of the Town; and that his Indentures were sealed Two Years after the Date; and that *Betts* lived with his Mother after he was bound, and used the Trade of a Barber; though *May* acknowledged, That during the time he was bound, he had the Benefit of his Service for about a Year and half.

That, as to *Joseph Cowper*, *Geo. Hoggsflesh* said, That the said *Cowper* was Apprentice to *John Tidy*; and that *John Tidy* was Apprentice to him the said *Hoggsflesh*; and he could not reckon himself a Freeman, he having been refused his Poll till he had bought a Freehold; and *Tidy* served him before the said Purchase: That *Geo. Hoggsflesh* himself served his Apprenticeship with his own Father, who served in *London*.

Mr. *Leonard Child*, Town Clerk, said, That *Emery Parker* did not live within the Liberties of the Borough; for that his House stands in a Part of the Parish of the *Holy Trinity*, that is out of the Borough: That in 1689, he was polled with a Query; and at Mr. *Weston*'s Election before, he was scratched out by one of Mr. *Weston*'s own Friends.

*Samuel Smalpeice* said, That he was Overseer of the Poor in 1698; and that *Jonas Christmas* did not pay to the Second Book for that Year; nor did pay to the Window Tax or Poll Tax, but acknowledged, That the said *Christmas* was charged to the Poor 1 s.; which he deducted, when he paid the said *Christmas* for making a Parish Boy's Cloaths.

*James Burt* said, That he was Collector for the Poor in 98; and that *Henry Catten* was charged to the Poor 5 d. a Month for that Year; and that Mr. *Goodyear* paid for *Henry Catten* what the said *Catten* was charged in the Second Book for that Year; but could not tell for what Reason *Goodyear* paid for him; and he never demanded the Tax of *Catten*. *Burt* further said, That *Henry Catten* was excused from the Window Tax, by reason of his Poverty; and is not charged to the Poor this Year.

*Thomas Burchard* and Mr. *Child* said, That *Robert Peters* was no Freeman; and that *George Stanton*, *Geo. Lyne*, *Robert Gates*, and *James Lyne*, were Apprentices to the said *Peters*; but *Peters* and the said Four Persons excepted to, did use Trades in *Guildford*: And Mr. *Child* said, That *Peters* exercised his Trade in a Back-yard,

though within the Liberties: That he never knew the said *Peters* prosecuted for following his Trade, not being a Freeman; but said, That *Peters* never pretended to vote at this, or any former Election.

*George Hoggsflesh* said, That *John Tidy* served his Apprenticeship with him in *Guildford*; but it was before he was a Freeholder.

Mr. *Child* said, That *Daniel Green* served his Father, who lives in the Heart of the Town; but does not pretend to be free, nor ever offered to be polled.

That then the Sitting Member's Counsel called

Mr. *John Wight*, who has been Recorder 24 Years;

*Angelo Burt*, that had been Mayor, and lived at *Guildford* 50 Years; and

Mr. *Child* the Town Clerk.

The Recorder said, They had a Prescription of Appropriation of Trade against Foreigners; and it had been allowed, and Judgment given for it upon a Demurrer: And they all Three agreed, That serving with a Non-freeman would not intitle to a Freedom; and when such have polled, they have been always put down with a Query, but never allowed.

That the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That they would justify their own Votes; and excepted to Sixteen that voted for the Sitting Member.

That, as to *John Betts*, the Counsel produced the Indenture by which *John Betts* was bound to *James May*, which was for Seven Years; and called again *James May*, who gave Evidence to the Effect, as when first examined.

That, as to *Emery Parker*, *William Nevill* said, That he had gone the Bounds of the Town; and that they bounded *Emery Parker*'s House within the Town; that the Mayor of the Town commands this House towards the Watch for the Borough; but said, He did not know that the Mayor used to carry his Mace to this House, or that any used to vote for this House.

Mr. *Richard Coldham* produced an Indenture 10th Sept. 41 Eliz. which he said he found among *Emery Parker*'s Writings, wherein this House is mentioned to be within *Guildford*.

*Richard Goodyear* said, That *Henry Catten* had paid to the Poor for about Ten Year; but that the said *Catten* was seldom at home, and so the said *Goodyear* had paid for him: That, as to the particular Book which he paid for the said *Catten*, the said *Catten* gave him Orders so to do, he owing him Money for Work; but *Catten* has paid before and since; but that did not appear by the Books.

That, as to the Objection made to Seven, That they had not served their Apprenticeships to Freemen;

*Thomas Hoggsflesh* said, That *John Tidy* was Apprentice to *George Hoggsflesh* his Brother, who uses the Trade of a Taylor, and paid Scot and Lot; and has polled for 20 Years, and never knew him interrupted till now; and that his Brother was made free by his Father's Copy, who was a Freeman.

But *George Hoggsflesh*, his Brother, confronting him, said, That his Poll had been refused twice as no Freeman, and did not remember that he had ever polled; and said, He did not know whether his Father was a Freeman or no; but he is certain his Grandfather is not.

*Tidy* said, That Mr. *Onslow*, in this Election, sent to him for his Vote; that he has served Seven Years Apprenticeship, and polled for Twenty Years.

Mr. *Child* produced *Daniel Green*'s Indenture.

That the Petitioner's Counsel then excepted to Sixteen that voted for the Sitting Member, Mr. *Onslow*; viz. Mr. *Pigott*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Goodyear*, *John Westbrook*, *Sam. Barton*, *John Stoner*, as not-paying Scot and Lot; *Thomas Hiller*, *Tho. Roberts*, *Daniel Hall*, *John Mulford*, *Tho. Thatcher*, *Nath. Prior*, *John Burt*, *Wm. Williamson*, *Robert Williamson*, *Richard Chewter*, being neither Freemen nor Freeholders.

But as to *John Stoner*, *Nath. Prior*, and *Richard Chewter*, they were afterwards given up by the Petitioner's Counsel, when they came to give their Evidence.

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Samuel

Guildford  
Election.

*Samuel Smalpeice* delivered in the Book of Rates for the Poor in the Year 1698.

*John Betts* said, *Mr. Pigott* did not pay in 1698, till after the Election, nor was in the Poors Book.

That *Samuel Barton* is not in the Poors Book at all.

*Burchard* said, That *Mr. Vernon* was never in the Poors Book, he being Minister; and it is not usual to charge the Minister to the Poor.

That *Goodyear* did not pay to Church and Poor; but the said *Goodyear* lived in another Parish.

*Matth. Weston* produced the Poors Book for *St. Nicolas'* Parish in the Year 1698.

*John Westbrook* said, That *John Westbrook* his Father, who voted for *Mr. Onslow*, his Name was not in the Poors Book; and that himself had paid all Dues for Three Years, and he had kept his Father all the while; and that he had paid for the Estate, but it was not made over to him by Conveyance in Form.

But, upon inspecting the Books, *John Westbrook*, and *John Westbrook junior*, were both charged in the Poors Books.

*Richard Goodyear* said, That *Daniel Hall* served his Time at *Darking*, but had lived at *Guildford* 18 or 20 Years.

*Joseph Benbrigg* said, That *Thomas Roberts* served *Mr. Neeves*, a Foreigner.

That *Thomas Hiller* has not been suffered to poll these 20 Years, but with a Query, having served his Time in *London*, and therefore objected to as no Freeman.

That *John Mulford*, though a Mason, and has lived at *Guildford* Ten Years, has been always objected to for the same Reason.

That *Thomas Thatcher* has not been admitted to poll these 20 Years for the same Reason.

That *John Burt*, though he believes he may have traded in *Guildford* Twenty Years, was never allowed to be a Freeman.

That *Wm. Williamson* is no Freeman, having served his Apprenticeship with his Father, who was no Freeman.

That *Robert Williamson* is in the same Circumstance; though it was acknowledged they lived in *Guildford*, and followed their Trades there.

That the Petitioner's Counsel also insisted, That they would add Four to their Poll; viz. *Mr. Shaw*, *Ant. Soper*, *Henry Clark*, *Mr. Gilham*; but as to *Soper*, they gave no Evidence.

*Mr. Coldham* said, That *Mr. Shaw* was 88 Years of Age, and Master of the Hospital, and a Freeman: That he could not say he paid Scot and Lot, but he saw him at the Place of Polling; and the said *Mr. Shaw* told him, He came for *Mr. Weston* and *Mr. Randyll*, but could not say he actually did offer his Vote.

That *Henry Clark* told him, He believed he was polled; and *Mr. Coldham* said, That *Clerk* is reputed to have a Right.

That *Mr. Gilham* was there; and has a Freehold, and demanded to be polled, and was not polled: That Part of *Mr. Gilham's* House was in *Guildford*, and Part in *Stoke*; and that Part which was in *Guildford* was formerly lett to Tenants; but the Door was now shut, and he believes he makes use of the Door in *Stoke*; and that he had served High Constable in *Stoke*.

*Mr. Gilham*, said, That old *Mr. Child* desired him to give his Vote for *Mr. Foot Onslow*; and told him, He had a good Vote: That he did pay to Church and to Highways, but had not been long enough to pay to Church and Poor; but offering to vote for *Mr. Weston*, he was refused.

*Henry Clark* said, That he tendered and gave his Vote for *Mr. Randyll* and *Mr. Weston*; and that the great Question upon him was, Whether he was in the Poors Book; and that he had paid to the Poor above Seven Years.

That *Mr. Weston's* Counsel also objected to the Carriage of the Mayor; and called

*Mr. Coldham*, *Mr. Fra. Lee*, *Mr. Bambrig*:

The Substance of whose Evidence was, That the Mayor was remarkably on *Mr. Onslow's* Side; and though, on *Friday* in the Afternoon, there were few or none to poll but *Henry Clark*, and *Mr. Weston* pressed the Mayor to declare the Poll, yet he adjourned the Court to *Monday*, without *Mr. Weston's* Consent.

That the Counsel for *Mr. Onslow*, to justify the Votes excepted to by *Mr. Weston's* Counsel, called

*Samuel Smalpeice*: Who said, That *Mr. Pigott* is Schoolmaster at *Guildford*; and though he did not pay to the First Poors Rate, he being newly come thither, he paid to the Second: That the former Schoolmaster paid 20s. a Year; and this is rated at 7s. a Quarter.

*Tho. Burchard* said, That *Mr. Vernon's* Living is worth about 40*l.* a Year; but they did not rate him, because his Living was so small; and he repairs the Chancel at his own Charge.

*Angelo Burt* said, That *Mr. Vernon* had paid to the Poll and Window Tax.

*Mr. George Terry* said, That he paid *Mr. Goodyear* 5*l.* 10s. a Year; and that 30s. a Year was abated him in his Rent upon his Account of Paying of Taxes.

That then, as to point of Freedom, The Counsel produced a Book of the Names of the Freemen.

*Angelo Burt* said, That *Robert Williamson* is the eldest Son of his Father, who was a Freeman; which also appeared by the Book.

*William Williamson's* Indentures were produced to the Committee.

*Nathanael Prior* was given up:

That *Thomas Hiller* was the Son of *John Hiller*, who was reputed to have been the Apprentice of a Freeman, and ever voted.

*Edward Neve* said, That *Thomas Roberts* was his Apprentice; and that *Thomas Roberts* served him before he was free; and after, viz. a Year after he was free; and *Roberts* follows the Trade, and pays Scot and Lot.

*Wm. Bettsworth* said, That *Daniel Hall* was his Apprentice, and produced his Indentures; and said, That himself had been 20 Years before.

That, as to *John Mulford*;

*Katharine Mawkes* said, Her Brother was bound to her Father, who was a Freeman.

That it appeared, by the Freeman's Book,

That *Thomas Thatcher* was Free as the Son of his Father, who was a Freeman.

*Smalfeast* said, That *John Burt* was Apprentice to *Geo. Mason*, and his Father used the Trade of a Sadler; and no body questioned his being free; and that *Burt* has voted before.

The Recorder said, That he was present at the time the Poll depended; and that it was managed with as much Calinness and Temper as a thing of that Nature could be; and *Mr. Weston* himself declared, That the Poll was very well carried on.

*Mr. Leonard Child* said, That *Mr. Onslow* excepted against Five Quakers, until they should make their Affirmation; and thereupon they ordered them to stand by till the Poll was over: But *Henry Clark* withdrew himself, and did not come again, which was the Reason he was not polled.

*Daniel Green* said, That the Mayor and Town Clerk asked *Henry Clark* of his Ability, and who he polled for; and the said *Clerk* answered, For *Randyll* and *Weston*.

That, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to this Resolution; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Foot Onslow* Esquire, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Guildford* in the County of *Surrey*.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Foot Onslow* Esquire, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Guildford* in the County of *Surry*;

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The House divided.  
The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Pyc, } 185.  
                                  { Mr. Ireton: }  
Tellers for the Noes, { Sir John Bolles, } 109.  
                                  { Mr. Brotherton: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

State of  
Trade.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Martis*, 19<sup>o</sup> die Decembris;

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A Member  
discharged  
from Custody.

**O**RDERED, That Mr. *Harris*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament, be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Hopwood's  
Marriage  
Settlement.

A Bill for rectifying a Mistake in the Marriage Settlement of *Thomas Hopwood* Gentleman and *Elizabeth* his Wife, in order to raise Portions for younger Children, and to pay Debts, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Lord *Corningsby*, Sir *John Morden*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *England*, Sir *William Ashurst*, Mr. *Wynne*, Mr. *Carter*, Sir *Fra. Child*, Mr. *Probert*, Mr. *Hamond*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Eyres*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Phillips*, Sir *John Aubery*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Topham*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Gauntlet*, Mr. *Booth*, Mr. *Ashurst*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Avon  
Navigation.

Mr. *Eyres*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for making the Act for making the River *Avon* navigable, from *Christ Church* to the City of *New Sarum*, more effectual: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Petition from  
Artillery  
Train.

A Petition of *Thomas Dilks*, and *Patrick Mullins*, on behalf of themselves, and others belonging to his Majesty's Descent Train of Artillery, commanded by Sir *Martin Beckman*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That \* \* \* \*

..... That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter, and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Hancock*, Sir *Tho. Frankland*, Mr. *Bertie*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Ashurst*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Vane*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Jennings*, Mr. *White*, Sir *Fra. Drake*, Mr. *Probert*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Carter*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Chaffin*, Mr. *Jolliffe*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

A Petition of *George Watts*, and others, late of the

Regiment of Foot commanded by the Honourable Major General *Stuart*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners were discharged the Service in April last, when there was considerable Sums due to them for Arrears of Subsistence, Cloathing and Short Allowance Money while at Sea; for which the Petitioners have applied themselves to the said Major General, but can obtain no Relief from him: And praying such Relief therein as the House in Justice shall think meet.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinions therein, to the House.

A Petition of the Dean and Chapter of *Westminster* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth; That time out of mind there hath been an ancient Court of Record, held every Three Weeks, within the City and Liberties of *Westminster*, for the Ease and Relief of such Persons as had just Cause of Action, for any Debt or Damages under 40*s.* by Way of Summons, and Distress of the Defendant's Goods, in case of his Non-appearance: But some Persons, unknown to the Petitioners, are endeavouring to pass a Bill in this House, for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience within the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof; which, the Petitioners are advised, will rather prove a Detriment to the Inhabitants than a Convenience; there being as speedy and easy Relief already in the said Three Weeks Court as can well be granted; and praying, That no such Bill may pass until the Petitioners be heard by Counsel.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the City and Liberty of *Westminster* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That within the said City and Liberties there is an ancient Court, holding Plea of Debt and Damages under 40*s.* in which there always was a speedy and easy Remedy for Recovery of small Debts, until lately the Proceedings of the said ..... hath met with some Obstructions; and therefore Persons have been unwilling to trust for small Sums, for want of an easy Remedy for Recovery thereof; which hath greatly prejudiced the poorer Sort of People, who want small Credit for carrying on their Trades: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for removing the said Obstructions, and restoring the ancient Remedy in the said Court for the Recovery of small Debts.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience within the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof, be read a Second time.

The Earl of *Ranelagh*, according to Order, presented to the House an Abstract of the Arrears due to the Land Forces to the 25th Day of March 1699: And also,

An Abstract of the Establishment and Estimate of the Arrears for the Year ending the 25th of March 1700: And also,

A Disposition of 561,014*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.* received out of the 600,000*l.* appropriated last Session of Parliament for Land Service.

And the Titles thereof were read.

And the said Abstracts are as follow; viz.



The said ABSTRACT of the Arrears of Pay due to the several Regiments, Troops, and Companies following; shewing the Sum due to each of them; viz. To the Troops in *England*, and those in the Plantations, to the 25th March 1699; when they were placed on the new Establishment: To the Troops in *Ireland*, *Scotland*, and the States General Service, to the respective times of their commencing Pay on those Establishments: And to the Troops that were broke, to the several Days of their being disbanded: Shewing also how much of the said Sums are due for *Flanders* Subsistence; and how much for the Off-reckonings, the Fund for Cloathing; viz.

To the Troops in <i>England</i> :	ARREARS.	<i>Flanders</i> .—Subsistence, included in the said Arrears.	Off-reckonings, included in the said Arrears.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
First Troop of Guards, from the First of April 1692, to the 25th of March 1699, inclusive, when they were placed on the new Establishment	20,992 8 1½	5,067 14 4½	4,015 19 1
Second Troop of Guards, for the same time	19,122 7 5½	3,181 5 5	4,015 19 1
Third Troop of Guards, for the same time	20,524 16 3½	4,531 17 7	4,015 19 1
Troop of Grenadier Guards, from the 4th October 1693, to the same time	10,395 15 10	2,577 4 9	1,551 11 10
Royal Regiment of Horse, from 1st April 1692, to the same time	30,854 2 5½	- - - -	4,205 18 10
Major General <i>Lumly's</i> Horse, for the same time	33,838 3 11½	6,961 15 7½	3,356 3 4
Colonel <i>Wood's</i> Horse, for the same time	23,410 14 0½	5,853 17 11	2,237 17 0
Earl of <i>Arran's</i> , formerly <i>Coye's</i> , for the same time	22,743 16 0½	4,249 9 1½	2,237 17 0
Brigadier <i>Windham's</i> , for the same time	23,838 5 6	4,519 7 10	2,237 17 0
The Duke of <i>Schonberg's</i> and <i>Leinster's</i> , for the same time	22,618 8 5	3,150 13 4	2,237 17 0
Earl of <i>Macclesfield's</i> , from the 1st March 1693, when raised, for the same time	18,714 13 4	- - - -	1,896 2 1
Royal Regiment of Dragoons, from 1st April 1692, to the same time	21,491 13 0	3,342 13 5	2,436 15 9
Colonel <i>Wm. Lloyd's</i> for the same time	19,256 15 10½	3,094 18 1½	2,436 15 9
Earl of <i>Essex's</i> , for the same time	17,256 16 2	3,100 2 9	2,436 15 9
First Regiment of Foot Guards, for the same time	63,031 9 0½	2,212 5 6	11,788 19 9½
<i>Coldstream</i> Regiment of Guards, for the same time	33,178 11 9½	2,675 14 9	5,881 12 5
Brigadier <i>Schwyn's</i> Foot, for the same time	14,816 16 3	989 14 6	2,118 13 1
Brigadier <i>Trelawny's</i> , for the same time	13,974 0 6½	1,340 12 4	2,118 13 1
Major General <i>Churchill's</i> , for the same time	17,727 19 10½	3,884 11 7	2,118 13 1
TOTAL - - - £.	447,717 14 0½	60,533 16 10½	63,346 0 0½
To the Troops in <i>Ireland</i> :			
Colonel <i>Harvy's</i> , late Major General <i>Leveson's</i> Regiment of Horse, from 1st of April 1692, to the 12th March, 97, inclusive, from whence they are paid in <i>Ireland</i>	19,370 10 0	5,064 9 8½	382 5 9
Brigadier <i>Langston's</i> , formerly called <i>Godfrey's</i> , from the said 1st April, to 26th March 1698, inclusive	16,590 18 10½	4,282 8 10½	462 16 0
Colonel <i>Rosse's</i> Dragoons, from the 1st of May 1694, to the 27th April 1698	10,836 8 11½	2,205 7 6	710 11 7
Royal Regiment of Foot, from the 1st April 1692, to the 25th March 1699	30,892 9 7	886 17 4	4,256 6 7
Colonel <i>Webb's</i> , from the said First April to the 19th March 1697, inclusive	16,864 3 1½	3,080 9 0	382 7 3
Colonel <i>Brewer's</i> , from the said 1st of April to the 12 January 1697, inclusive	13,850 16 4½	2,645 10 3	—
Sir <i>Bevil Granvill's</i> , from the said 1st April to the 14 August 1698, inclusive	11,862 8 10½	830 8 9	1,103 2 5
Major General <i>Stewart's</i> , from 1st May 1694, to 24 February 1697, inclusive	11,676 9 9½	- - - -	269 12 3
Sir <i>Henry Bellasys's</i> , from said 1st May to the 25 March 1698, inclusive	9,983 17 9½	- - - -	411 15 5
Sir <i>John Jacobs's</i> , from the 1st April 1692, to the last of March 98, inclusive	14,499 1 6½	- - - -	441 3 9
Colonel <i>Tidcomb's</i> , from the said 1st April to the 26 March 1698, inclusive	10,033 13 0	- - - -	416 13 9
Colonel <i>How's</i> , from the said 1st of April to the 12th of March 1697, inclusive	14,184 14 3½	3,986 10 10	348 0 1½
Colonel <i>Frederick Hamilton's</i> , from 1st May 1693, to the 21 December 1697, inclusive	8,457 7 7½	1,861 14 0	—
Sir <i>Matth. Bridges's</i> , From the First April 1692, to the 20 December 1697, inclusive	11,298 13 5½	1,553 1 5	—
Colonel <i>Stanly's</i> , from the said said First of April to the 24th of February 1697, inclusive	11,963 5 4½	2,700 2 7	269 12 3
Marquis de <i>Puisar's</i> , from the said 1st of April to the 20 December 1697, inclusive	14,059 3 0½	1,018 1 6½	—
Brigadier <i>Tiffin's</i> , from the said 1st of April to the 31 January 1697, inclusive	16,311 18 5½	3,946 9 3	151 19 3
Brigadier <i>Fairfax's</i> , from the said 1st April to the 13 August 1698, inclusive	14,643 13 8½	3,447 10 9	1,098 11 2

Brigadier

	ARREARS.	Flanders Subsistence included in the said Arrears	Off-reckonings, in- cluded in the said Arrears.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Brigadier <i>Ingoldsby's</i> from said 1st of April to the 24 <sup>th</sup> February 97, inclusive	13,738 1 3½	2,741 0 11	269 12 3
Colonel <i>Collumbine's</i> from said 1st April to the 25 <sup>th</sup> of July 1698, inclusive	15,154 17 6½	1,475 11 4½	1,009 16 6
Major General <i>Erl's</i> , from the said 1st of April to the 25 March 1699, inclusive	15,256 12 8½	1,258 13 3	2,118 13 1
TOTAL	301,529 5 5½	42,984 7 4½	14,102 19 4½
To the Troops in <i>Scotland</i> :			
Troops of <i>Scots</i> Guards, from 1st April 92, to the 1st January 97, from which time they are paid in <i>Scotland</i>	12,811 4 3	—	—
Lord <i>Triuitt's</i> Dragoons, from said 1st April to the 7th February 1697, inclusive	17,225 8 3½	6,731 7 5	230 15 9
Lord <i>Jedborough's</i> Dragoons, from the 1st March 1693, to the 19th March 1697, inclusive	13,396 1 11	4,510 5 11½	473 14 5
Regiment of <i>Scots</i> Foot Guards, from the 1st April 1692, to the last of January 1697, inclusive	14,372 5 0	1,745 19 8	326 17 11
Sir <i>David Coljear's</i> Foot, from the First of April to the 10th March 1697, inclusive	15,267 8 7½	1,913 14 0	473 9 8
Colonel <i>Row's</i> Foot, from the said First of April to the last of December 97, inclusive	11,946 8 4½	1,768 0 9	—
Brigadier <i>Maitland's</i> , from said 1st April to the 8th of February 1697, inclusive	13,751 5 3	2,915 1 6	268 9 7½
Colonel <i>Geo. Hamilton's</i> , from the 1st April 1694, to 21 of December 1697, inclusive	6,217 3 9	1,213 15 10	—
Lord <i>Strathnaver's</i> , for the same time	6,433 14 11½	1,065 8 6	—
Colonel <i>Ferguson's</i> , from the 1st April 1692, to the 21st December 1697, inclusive	10,645 0 5	1,908 8 11	—
TOTAL	122,066 0 10½	23,772 2 6½	1,773 7 4½
To the Troops now in the States Service, whilst upon the Establishment of <i>England</i> :			
Major General <i>Eppinger's</i> Dragoons, to the 11th of October 1698	29,688 4 9	—	—
Colonel <i>Murray's</i> , late <i>Mackay's</i> Foot, from the 1st of April 1692, to the 21st December 1697	10,269 11 8	991 5 1	—
Colonel <i>Walter Philip Coljear's</i> , for the same time	12,025 16 9½	2,087 0 0	—
Colonel <i>Lander's</i> , for the same time	10,586 18 0½	1,724 13 4½	—
TOTAL	62,570 11 3	4,802 18 5½	—
To the Troops in the <i>West Indies</i> :			
Colonel <i>Collingwood's</i> Regiment of Foot, from the First of April 1692, to 25 March 1699, inclusive	11,816 16 10	—	2,118 13 1
Four Companies at <i>New York</i> , for the same time	12,558 9 8	—	2,309 3 8
Company at the <i>Leward Islands</i> , for the same time	4,335 18 3	—	1,345 17 3
Royal Regiment of Fusileers at the Islands of <i>Jersey</i> and <i>Guernsey</i> , for the same time	18,050 16 3	3,151 9 9½	2,118 13 1
TOTAL	46,762 1 0	3,151 9 9½	7,892 7 1
To the Troops disbanded:			
Colonel <i>Harvy's</i> , late Earl of <i>Arran's</i> , Regiment of Horse, from the First of March 1693, when raised, to the 8th of December 1697, when disbanded	12,523 0 7	—	—
Lord <i>Windsor's</i> Horse, from the said First of March to the 6th December 1697, when disbanded	11,649 11 5½	—	—
Earl of <i>Denbigh's</i> Dragoons, from said 1st March to the 18th December 1697, when disbanded	9,531 8 7	—	—
Colonel <i>Leigh's</i> , from the said First of March to the 6th of December 1697, when disbanded	8,305 8 5	—	—
Major General <i>Erl's</i> Foot, from the 1st April 1692, to the 2d March 97, when disbanded	13,672 3 0½	—	299 0 6½
The Duke of <i>Bolton's</i> Foot, from 1 April 1692, to last of February 97, when disbanded	15,733 10 0½	—	289 4 5
Colonel <i>Saunderson's</i> from the said 1 April to the 4 March 1697, when disbanded	11,088 12 9½	2,655 7 0	308 16 7½
Lord <i>Lorn's</i> , from the said First April to the 8th of February 1697, when disbanded	5,653 3 3½	—	—

	ARREARS.	Flanders Subsistence, included in the said Arrears.	Off-Reckonings, in- cluded in the said Arrears.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Colonel Cote's, from the First of May, 1694, to the } 25th of February 1697, when disbanded - - - }	9,281 3 4	- - - -	274 10 3½
Colonel Brudnal's, from said 1st May to the 14th of } March 1697, when disbanded - - - - }	10,539 15 0½	- - - -	357 16 1½
Colonel Gibson's, from the 20th of March 1693, to the } 26th February 1697, when disbanded - - - }	9,097 11 2½	—	—
Colonel Northcott's, from the said 20th of March to the } 7th of March 1697, when disbanded - - - }	8,886 10 1½	—	—
Colonel Farrington's, from the said 20th March to the } 3d March 1697, when disbanded - - - - }	8,495 4 0½	—	—
Colonel Bochan's, from the 1st of April 1694, to the } 8th of February 1697, when disbanded - - - }	5,260 9 11	—	—
Colonel Seymour's, from the 1st of April 1692, to the } last July 1697, inclusive, when made Marines - }	12,508 0 5½	2,599 18 4	1,039 4 10
Colonel Mordant's, for the same time - - - - }	18,099 6 8½	- - - -	1,039 4 10
Colonel Colt, from the 1st September 1692, to the } same time - - - - - }	14,628 8 5½	- - - -	1,039 4 10
Colonel Holt, from the 1st April 1693, to the 25 March } 1699 - - - - - }	27,423 15 0	- - - -	2,247 19 0
Colonel Lillingston's Two Regiments and Company, } from 1st September 92, to the several times of disbanding }	13,920 10 5	- - - -	1,798 0 0
Colonel Russel's Regiment and Company, from the 1st } April 1694, to the times of disbanding - - - }	10,335 11 0½	- - - -	2,167 10 6
Company of Miners, from the 1st April 1692, to } 12th March 1697, inclusive, when disbanded - }	698 6 10	—	—
Company at Upnor, for the same time - - - - }	219 1 8	—	—
£.	237,550 12 5½	5,255 5 4	10,860 12 0
Total of the foregoing Abstract - - - - £.	1,218,196 5 0½	140,500 0 4	97,975 5 10½
There is also due to clear the General Officers, their } Aids de Camp, and the Majors of Brigade, for the } Year ending the First of January 1697; and voted } in the Session of Parliament which began the 3d of } December 1697 - - - - - }	50,000 0 0		
And to clear the Garisons from the First of April 1693, } to the 25th of March 1699, inclusive, their Subsistence } to that time being fully paid - - - - - }	56,268 1 4½		
Total of the Whole - - - - - £.	1,324,464 6 5½		

**Memorandum.** In the Session of Parliament which began the Third of December 1697, it was resolved,

That there was due for an Arrear of Subsidy to the Elector of <i>Brandenburgh</i> , to the 1st of } November 1697 - - - - - }	Rixdollars. 180,000
To the Landgrave of <i>Hesse Cassel</i> - - - - - }	254,000
To the Duke of <i>Wolfembottle</i> - - - - - }	121,223
To the Bishop of <i>Munster</i> - - - - - }	149,997
To the Dukes of <i>Hanover</i> and <i>Cell</i> - - - - - }	50,000
To the King of <i>Denmark</i> - - - - - }	200,000
To the Duke of <i>Holstein</i> - - - - - }	25,000
	Rd'. 980,220

All which, being Nine hundred and Eighty thousand Two hundred and Twenty Rixdollars, if com- } puted at 5 s. each, amounts to - - - - - }	£. 245,055
And that there was likewise due to Contractors for Bread and Forage - - - - - }	177,000

**Memorandum.** Also it was voted in the last Session of Parliament, That all the General Officers, that were his Majesty's natural-born Subjects, should be allowed their Pay for the Year 1698; which amounts to \* \* \* *Ranelagh*.

The said Abstract of the Establishment signed by his Majesty, which commenced the 26th of March 1699; viz.

	£. s. d.
Pay of the Seven Thousand Men, per Annum - - - - - }	312,020 5 0
Regiment of Fusileers in <i>Jersey</i> and <i>Guernsey</i> - - - }	12,242 14 2
Regiment of Foot in the <i>West Indies</i> - - - - }	12,142 6 8
Four Companies at <i>New York</i> - - - - - }	4,258 6 8
One Company in the <i>Leeward Islands</i> - - - - }	1,117 2 6
One Company at <i>Newfoundland</i> - - - - - }	1,015 18 4
	*30,836 8 4

General

\* There is some Mistake in this Total; but it is so both in the Journal, and the original Account.

	£.	s.	d.
General Staff Officers, and Contingencies - - - - -	12,048	9	2
The Charge of the Garisons, and other small Payments - - - - -	18,802	4	6
Allowances for Fire and Candle - - - - -	3,052	4	6½
Half-pay to disbanded Officers - - - - -	42,572	13	9
Invalids for whom there is no Room in <i>Chelsea</i> Hospital - - - - -	6,763	11	8
Half-pay to the Commissaries of the Musters discharged - - - - -	730	0	0
<b>TOTAL - - - - -</b>	<b>£. 426,825</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2½</b>

Towards Payment of the above Establishment for One Year, from the 26 of March 1699, to the 25th of March 1700, the Earl of *Ranelagh* has received, out of the 600,000 *l.* appropriated, the last Session of Parliament, for Land Service - } 240,923 15 9  
 So that there will be wanting, to clear the Establishment for the said Year, the Sum of - £. 185,902 16 5½

The said Disposition of the said 561,014 *l.* 8 *s.* 8 *d.* is in a Book by itself.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Abstracts and Disposition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Noble's Estate.

An ingrossed Bill to enable *Thomas Noble* Gentleman, to sell the undivided Third Part of the Manor of *Foxton*, in the County of *Leicester*; and for settling other Lands, an intire Estate, of a greater Value, to the same Uses; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable *Thomas Noble* Gentleman, to sell the undivided Third Part of the Manor of *Foxton*, in the County of *Leicester*, when he shall have settled other Lands, an entire Estate, of a greater Value, to the same Uses.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Carter* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Papists Protestant Heirs.

*Sir Richard Cocks*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for hindering Papists from disinheriting their Protestant Heirs: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Defective Titles.

A Petition of *Thomas Wise* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That King *Charles* the First, by his Letters Patents, under the Seal of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, granted all *Sutton Marsh*, in the County of *Lincoln*, to *Nicholas Street* and *Ezra Wolston*, in Trust for the Petitioner's Father, and his Heirs; and the Petitioner's Father embanked the same at the Charge of 20,000 *l.* and lett the same to Tenants for many Years: That afterwards his said Majesty granted the said Marsh to the Duke of *Richmond* and his Heirs, who have gotten Possession; but the Validity of the said Two Grants is now depending in the Court of Exchequer: That the Petitioner is apprehensive the Bill depending in the House for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretences of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other Defective Titles, will prejudice his Right to the said Estate: And praying, That he may be heard what he hath to offer for the Saving of his Right to the said Premises, before the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioner be heard before the said Committee.

Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Colonel *Kirkby* have Leave to go into the Country, for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Reading Election.

*Sir Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Resolution of the said Committee, upon the Petitions touching the Election for the Borough of *Reading* in the County of *Berks*; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

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*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Petition of *Sir Thomas Stamp*, presented to the House of Commons this Session of Parliament, touching the late Election for the Borough of *Reading* in the County of *Berks*, is not the same in Substance with the Petition from the said *Sir Thomas Stamp*, presented to the House of Commons the last Session of Parliament, relating to the said Election.

And the said Petitions were read.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Petition of *Sir Thomas Stamp*, presented to the House of Commons this Session of Parliament, touching the late Election for the Borough of *Reading* in the County of *Berks*, is not the same in Substance with the Petition from the said *Sir Thomas Stamp*, presented to the House of Commons the last Session of Parliament, relating to the said Election.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections do not proceed any further upon the said Petition.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the County of *Bedford*, be made upon *Thursday* Morning next.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the more effectual Execution of an Act to restore the Market at *Blackwell-hall* to the Clothiers; and for regulating the Factors there: And nothing to intervene.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience within the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof, be read a Second time upon *Friday* next, after the said Committee hath sate.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Mr. Speaker* left the Chair.

*Mr. Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair.

*Mr. Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That the Lords of the Admiralty do lay before the House an Account upon what Services, and under what Orders, the Ships *Dolphin*, *Roebuck*, *Rupert Prize*, and *Paramour Pink*, are now employed; with the Copies of the Commissions, and the particular Instructions given to their Commanders.

*Ordered*, That the Lords of the Admiralty do lay before the House an Account upon what Services, and under what Orders, the Ships *Dolphin*, *Roebuck*, *Rupert Prize*, and *Paramour Pink*, are now employed; with the Copies of the Commissions, and the particular Instructions given to their Commanders.

*Mr. Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again,

*Resolved*,



*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii, 20<sup>a</sup> die Decembris;*

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Avon  
Navigation.

A BILL to make the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath* was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Blathwaite*, Sir *Chris. Musgrave*, Mr. *Popham*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Mountague*, Sir *Jacob Baunks*, Mr. *Povey*, Mr. *Greenfield*, Sir *Tho. Day*, Mr. *Cox*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Pinnell*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. *Gorges*, Lord *Downes*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Marquis *Hartington*, Lord *Cavendish*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Sanderson*, Mr. *Blofield*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Colonel *Webb*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Carter*, Major General *Trelawney*, Brigadier *Trelawney*, Mr. *Clark*, Sir *Justin. Isham*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Somerset*, *Wilts*, *Gloucester*, *Devon*; and for the Sea and Cinque Ports, and for *North* and *South Wales*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Ditto.

A Petition of several Knights, Gentlemen, Landholders, and other substantial Inhabitants living between *Bristol* and *Bath*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are informed there is a Bill depending in this House, for making the River of *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*; which, if it should pass, will be a great Prejudice to the Petitioners, and no-ways serviceable to the Publick: And praying to be heard by Counsel, what they have to object against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, what they have to object against the said Bill.

Ditto.

A Petition of several Gentlemen and Landholders in the Parish of *Weston*, in the County of *Somerset* near *Bath*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*; which Bill, should it pass, will be a great Prejudice to the Petitioners, and no Advantage to the Publick: And praying to be heard by Counsel, what they have to object against Passing of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard before the said Committee, by their Counsel, what they have to object against the said Bill.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the City, and Suburbs of the City, of *Bristol*, on Behalf of themselves, and many Thousand Citizens and Inhabitants thereof, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill brought into this House for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*; which the Petitioners are very sensible will greatly prejudice the said City, and Parts adjacent, if it should pass into an Act: And praying to be heard by Counsel against the said Bill; or otherwise relieved as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, what they have to object against the said Bill.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, Merchants, Traders, and Inhabitants, in and about the City of

*Bristol*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That it is found by Experience, that nothing tends more to the promoting the Strength and Wealth of the Kingdom than Trade and Navigation having Communication with Places that tend to maritime Ports: And the River *Avon* being capable of being made navigable from the said City to *Bath*, the Petitioners pray, That an Act may pass for that purpose.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, is committed.

A Petition of Sir *Edward Mansell* Baronet, *Stephen Martha* Stringer, and others, Owners of the Ship *Martha* of *Margam*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Ship was shipwrecked on *Kenfigg* Sands in 1698, where she was beaten almost to Pieces by the Sea; and bought, with her Riggings, for 30*l.* by the Petitioners; and rebuilt with new Timber, new Beams, a new Deck, and 40 Tons larger than before; which cost above 800*l.* with her Rigging, and other Necessaries; but, she being a foreign Bottom, some Doubts have arisen, whether, by an Act for preventing Frauds, and regulating Abuses, in the Plantation Trade, she is not prohibited to trade to or from any of his Majesty's Plantations or Colonies: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill to make the said Ship, a free Ship to trade and traffick to and from the Ports of this Kingdom, to any of his Majesty's Plantations or Colonies.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Edward Stradling*, Sir *Thomas Day*, and Mr. *Cox*, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of *George Gregory* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner and *Robert Sachevarill* Esquire, stood Candidates at the Election of a Burgess to serve in this Parliament for the Borough of *Nottingham*, in the room of *Richard Slaughter* Esquire, deceased; and the major Part of the Persons duly qualified to give their Votes were for the Petitioner; but many illegal Practices were used by Mr. *Sachevarill*, and his Agents, to gain Votes for him; whereby he procured himself to be returned a Burgess, in Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

Nottingham  
Election.

And also the Certificate of the Clerk of the Crown, of the Return brought in, was read.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Anne Baldwin* Widow, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, that *Richard Baldwin*, her late Husband, deceased, was possessed of divers Lands, and a Messuage called *Wiltons*, in the County of *Bucks*, clogged with great Incumbrances, well nigh the Value thereof; and, by his last Will, devised the same to be sold for Payment of his Debts; and gave all other his Estate, not otherwise settled or disposed of, to the Petitioner; his Son and Heir *Richard Baldwin*, an Infant of Five Years old, being well provided for by the Marriage Settlement; but because of his Infancy, the Petitioner cannot sell the Premises intended by his Father to be sold, unless at an Under-value; which, in a short Time, will not be sufficient to pay the Debts thereon: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to enable her to make Sale of the said Estate, according to the true Intent of her said late Husband's Will.

Baldwin's  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that the Lord *Chenie* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of *George Chambers*, and others, in behalf of himself, and other disbanded Dragoons, out of the Army Arrears. Regiment

Regiment commanded by the Right Honourable the Lord *Jedbrough*, now resident in *Scotland*, was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That, when they were broke in *Scotland*, the Lord *Jedbrough* seized their Horses and Accoutrements, and sent them into *England*, without giving them any Money; though there was then, and now is, due to them above 26*l.* a Man for Subsistence, besides their other Arrears; which *David Cambell*, Agent to the said Regiment, hath received, and, before a Committee of this House the last Sessions, promised to pay the Petitioners their just Demands; which yet he hath not done: And praying, That he may be compelled thereto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Bone-lace.

*Mr. Eyres* reported, from the Committee, to whom the Consideration of the Petition of the Clothiers, and Woollen Manufacturers, within the City of *New Sarum*, in behalf of themselves, and many Thousands of poor Persons depending on them, was referred, the Resolution of the said Committee; which they had directed him to report to the House, which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Bill be brought in, to repeal an Act of Parliament made in the 9th and 10th Years of his present Majesty, intituled, An Act for rendering the Laws more effectual for preventing the Importation of foreign Bone-lace, Loom-lace, Needle-work, Point, and Cut-work.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the said Report be recommitted to the same Committee.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do inform themselves of the Allegations of the said Petition; and report the Fact, as it appears to the said Committee, with their Opinion what is fit to be done.

Ditto.

A Petition of several Makers of and Dealers in Bone-lace, made in *Buckinghamshire*, in behalf of themselves, and many others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Manufacture has been exercised several hundred Years in *England*, and employs many Thousands in the said County; most whereof are Women and Children, who have no other Subsistence; and the repealing the Acts prohibiting the Importation of foreign Bone-lace will inevitably tend to the Ruin of the said poor People, although the same are no Prejudice to the Trade of the Woollen Manufacture, as the Petitioners are ready to prove: And praying, that they may be heard against the Repeal of the said Act.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee: And that the Petitioners be heard before the said Committee thereupon.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do inquire into the Value of the yearly Exportation of the Woollen Manufacture into *Flanders*, in the Time of Peace.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Woollen  
Manufacture.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the Parish of *Ratchdale*, in the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, and of the Merchants, Clothiers, Clothworkers, Traders in the Woollen Manufactures, and of other Inhabitants of the Places adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Prohibition of the Woollen Manufacture to the *Spanish Netherlands*, hath put such a Stop to that Trade in *Lancashire*, that great Numbers of Persons, whose sole Livelihood depends thereon, are fallen to extreme Poverty; and, should the King of *Spain* make the *Spanish Netherlands* the Staple Market of *Spanish Wool*, then must our foreign Trade in the Woollen Manufactures, solely depend on the Will of the Governor of the *Netherlands*: And praying the Consideration of the House, to prevent

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the inexpressible Inconveniencies that will follow, in case some Remedy be not found out to support the great Staple Trade of this Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Knight* have Leave to go into the Country, for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions. Leave of Absence.

*Sir George Rook*, from the Lords of the Admiralty, according to Order, presented to the House a Copy of the Commissions to Captain *Long* of the *Rupert Prize*; Captain *Hunter*, of the *Dolphin*; Captain *Dampier*, of the *Roebuck*, and Captain *Haley*, of the *Paramour Pink*: *Dolphin, &c. Ships, and Instructions for Discoveries.*

And also a Copy of the Instruction to Captain *Long*, of the *Rupert Prize*, for following his Majesty's Orders on an Expedition to *America*:

And also a Copy of Instructions to Captain *Hunter*, of the *Dolphin*, for proceeding to and recovering of a Wreck in the *West Indies*:

And also a Copy of the Instructions prepared and brought to the Board, by Persons concerned in the Wreck in the *West Indies*:

And also a Copy . . . a Letter from the Right Honourable *Mr. Secretary Vernon* to the Lords of the Admiralty, touching the setting out the *Rupert Prize*, commanded by Captain *Long*, on an Expedition to *America*:

And also an Extract of a Letter from *Mr. Secretary Vernon*, about Instructions for Captain *Hunter* relating to the Ship *Dolphin*:

And also a Copy of the Instructions of Captain *Haley*, of the *Paramour Pink*, for the Finding out the Variation of the Needle:

And also an Extract of a Letter from *Mr. Secretary Vernon* to the Lords of the Admiralty, touching the Instructions for the Captain of the *Dolphin*:

And also a Copy of the Instructions to Captain *Dampier*, of the *Roebuck*, for making Discoveries in foreign Parts.

And the Titles of the said Papers were read:

And they are as follow; *viz.*

I. The said Copy of the said Commissions to Captain *Long*, Captain *Hunter*, Captain *Dampier*, and Captain *Haley*.

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England, Ireland, &c.*

To Captain *Richard Long*, hereby appointed Captain of his Majesty's Ship the *Rupert Prize*.

By virtue of the Power and Authority to Us given, We do hereby constitute and appoint you Captain of his Majesty's Ship the *Rupert Prize*, willing and requiring you forthwith to go on board, and take upon you the Charge and Command of Captain in her accordingly; strictly charging and commanding all the Officers and Company of the said Ship to behave themselves, jointly and severally, in their respective Employments, with all due Respect and Obedience unto you their said Captain; and you likewise to observe and execute, as well the standing Instructions hereunto annexed, attested by our Secretary, as what further Order and Directions you shall from time to time receive of Us, or any other your superior Officers, for his Majesty's Service: Hereof you, nor any of you, may fail, as you will answer the same at your Perils: And for so doing this shall be your Warrant. Given under our Hands, and the Seal of the Office of the Admiralty, this 4th Day of December 1697, in the Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign.

*Henry Priestman,*

By Command of their Lordships,

*Robert Rich,*

*Wm. Bridgman.*

*Geo. Rook,*

20th December 1699.

*Jam. Kendall.*

A true Copy,

*J. Burchett.*

The like Commission granted to Captain *Collin Hunter*, to be Captain of his Majesty's Ship the *Dolphin*, dated the 24th June 1698. Signed,

Countersigned,

*J. Burchett.*

*Orford,*

*R. Rich,*

*H. Priestman,*

*J. Kendall.*

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The

Dolphin, &c.  
Ships, and  
Instructions  
for Disco-  
veries.

The like Commission granted to Captain *William Dampier*, to the Captain of his Majesty's Ship the *Roe-buck*, dated the 26 July 1698. Signed,

Countersigned,  
*J. Burchett.*

*G. Rook,  
J. Houlton,  
J. Kendall.*

The like Commission granted to Captain *Edmund Haley*, to be Master and Commander of his Majesty's Ship the *Paramour*, dated the 23d August 1699. Signed,

Countersigned,  
*J. Burchett.*

*J. Bridgwater,  
Haversham,  
D. Mitchell.*

II. The said Copy of Instructions to Captain *Long*.  
By the Commissioners for executing the Office of  
Lord High Admiral of *England, Ireland, &c.*

In pursuance of his Majesty's Pleasure signified to this Board, you are hereby required and directed to follow such Orders, as you shall, from time to time, receive from his Majesty, for proceeding with the Ship under your Command: Dated at the Admiralty Office, this 25th of April 1698.

To Captain *Richard Long*,  
Commander of the *Rupert*  
Prize: *Portsmouth.*

*Orford,  
H. Priestman,  
J. Kendall,  
J. Houlton.*

III. The said Copy of Instructions to Captain *Hunter*, of the *Dolphin*.

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of  
Lord High Admiral of *England, Ireland, &c.*

Whereas his Majesty has been pleased to order, That the Ship *Dolphin*, under your Command, shall be fitted out for an Expedition to the *West Indies*, in order to the taking up several Wrecks, which are contained and described in the several Papers which you have left in the Hands of *Samuel Traverse* Esquire, for the Use and Benefit of the Parties concerned therein; as also such other Wrecks as you shall receive Intelligence of; pursuant to the Indentures between the said Persons, and *Sir James Houlton*, and Company; by virtue of Letters Patents to his Grace the Duke of *Schonbergh*, between 12 Degrees South, and 40 Degrees North Latitude:

You are therefore hereby required and directed forthwith to proceed on this Service, with the Ship under your Command; and with all possible Care and Diligence, put in Execution, as well the Instructions from the Persons concerned, hereunto annexed, as what further Orders and Instructions shall be given you, from time to time, by them, in the Fishing for, Recovering, and Disposing of, all, or any Part of the said Wrecks as you shall recover; that so his Majesty's Share thereof may be demanded and received.

When you shall have done what you are able in the Performance of this Service, you are to return, with the Ship you command, to *England*; calling in at *Plymouth* for Orders: And, if you find none there to the contrary, you are to make the best of your Way to the *Downes*, and remain till further Orders; giving us an Account of your Proceedings.

You are to receive on board the Ship you command, such Persons as the Right Honourable the Lords of his Majesty's Treasury shall appoint, to take Care of the King's Share of the Wrecks which shall be recovered; as also such other Person, as the Parties concerned in the said Wrecks shall appoint, to look after and manage their Affairs; allowing them Victuals during the time they shall be on board you, as to your Ship's Company; and bearing them as Supernumeraries on your Books.

You are, by all Opportunities you shall meet with, to send this Board an Account of your Proceedings: And, during the whole Term of the Voyage, you are to take particular Care not to annoy any of his Majesty's Subjects, or those of his Allies, but rather to give them what Assistance you can, without Hindrance or Prejudice to the Affair whereon you are employed.

And, for the better lengthening out your Provisions, you are to put the Men under your Command, when you come out of the Chanel, to Six to Four Men's Allow-

ance; assuring them, That they shall be punctually paid for the same at the End of the Voyage. Dated at the Admiralty Office, this 31st of January 1699.

To Captain *Collin Hunter*, Com-  
mander of his Majesty's Ship  
the *Dolphin*: *Spithead.*

A true Copy,  
*J. Burchett.*

*Orford,  
H. Priestman,  
G. Rooke,  
J. Houlton,  
J. Kendall.*

IV. The said Copy of Instructions, prepared, and brought to the Board, by the Persons concerned in the Wreck in the *West Indies*, for Captain *Colin Hunter*, Commander of his Majesty's Ship the *Dolphin*.

After you have received your Orders from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, you are to make the best of your Way to *Barbadoes*; and, proceeding from thence with all Expedition, you are, in the First Place, to use the best of your Endeavours to find out, and take up, such Wrecks as are contained and described in the several Papers you have left in the Hands of *Samuel Traverse* Esquire, for the Use and Benefit of all the Parties concerned; and afterwards such other Wrecks as you shall receive Intelligence of; pursuant to our Indentures with *Sir James Houlton* and Company, by virtue of Letters Patents to his Grace the Duke of *Schonbergh* and *Leinster*, between 12 Degrees South, and 40 Degrees North Latitude.

You are also, with the Consent of such Agent as we shall appoint, to contract with any Person or Persons for any new Discoveries within our due Limits, other than what is contained in your above-mentioned Papers; and to allow him or them such a Share, not exceeding a Tenth Part, for such their Discovery, as you Two shall agree upon; which Share or Proportion, so contracted for between you Two, and such Discoverer, is to be deducted out of the net Proceed of the said Discovery.

You are to keep a true Journal of your Proceedings, and an exact Account of all Treasure, &c. by you to be taken up; and to transmit the same to us, signed by yourself, and attested by his Majesty's Agent and ours, from time to time, upon all Opportunities.

You are also to go or send to the Island of *Jamaica* once in Two or Three Months, Wind and Weather permitting, there to inquire for, and receive, such further Orders and Directions as we from time to time shall send you; which you are punctually to observe, having a due Regard to the Orders of the Right Honourable the Lords of the Admiralty; and also, by all Opportunities, transmit us a true Account of all your Proceedings and Transactions, relating to your Undertaking, with our Agent then on board you, the better to enable him to prosecute the said Undertaking, under the Command of such Persons as the said Right Honourable the Lords of the Admiralty shall appoint to succeed you.

You are not to inspect the Papers, or Accounts, of the Two Persons appointed Agents for the King and the Persons concerned, without their Consent, and to permit them quietly to do their Business.

20th December 1699.

A true Copy,  
*J. Burchett.*

V. The said Copy of a Letter from Mr. Secretary *Vernon* to the Lords of the Admiralty, touching the setting out of the *Rupert Prize*, commanded by Captain *Long*, on an Expedition to *America*.

My Lords,

You were pleased lately to desire me to move the King, for such Instructions as his Majesty should think fit to give Captain *Richard Long*, Commander of the *Rupert Prize*, fitted for a Voyage to *America*, in order to the Discovery of Gold Mines and Wrecks: And I am commanded by his Majesty to acquaint you, That the said Captain having entered into Articles of Agreement with the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury; the Substance whereof is as followeth; viz. That in Consideration of his

his Majesty's Charge, in fitting, manning, and victualling, a Sixth Rate Frigate, his Majesty shall receive all the Benefit made by such Discovery, until he shall be paid the Sum of Ten thousand Pounds; and, after that is satisfied, shall, for Seven Years, receive Nine Parts in Ten of the whole Advantage to be made, and the said *Richard Long* the Tenth Part, he giving an Account of the whole Profit upon Oath, when required: He shall bring home to the Port of *London* all the Treasure he shall find; and shall, in Two Years time from the 6th of July last, when the said Agreement was made, bring home, and deliver to the Commissioners of the Navy, the said Ship, with her Guns, Tackle, and Furniture; the Danger of the Seas, Enemies, Fire, and Restraint by Piracies, excepted: After he has been in Search of Treasure, as aforesaid, he shall have Liberty to sail, with his Majesty's Ship, to search for, and take up, such Wrecks as his Grace the Duke of *Schonberg* and *Leinster* has a Grant to fish for in *America*; and shall bring to the Port of *London* what he shall gain from such Wrecks: His Majesty expects the Performance of the said Conditions; and leaves the Contractor at Liberty to pursue his Voyage and Attempt, in such manner as he thinks best, without confining him to any particular Instructions relating thereunto, other than such as you shall think fit to give him. I am, my Lords,

Your Lordships most faithful humble Servant,  
A true Copy, *Ju. Vernon.*  
*J. Burchett.*

VI. The said Extract of a Letter from Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, about the Instructions for Captain *Hunter*, relating to the Ship *Dolphin*, dated the 16th January 1698.

The inclosed Request of the Earl of *Macclesfield* having been laid before the King, his Majesty commands me to send the same to your Lordships, and to acquaint you with his Majesty's Pleasure, That Captain *Hunter* being designed to command his Majesty's Ship the *Dolphin*, in the Discovery of a considerable Wreck in the *West Indies*, his Majesty would have you to consider of such Instructions as may be proper to be given to the said Captain, for the due Performance of that Service.

VII. The said Copy of Instructions of Captain *Haley*, of the *Paramour Pink*, for the finding out the Variation of the Needle.

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England, Ireland, &c.*

Whereas his Majesty has been pleased to lend his Pink the *Paramour*, for your proceeding a Second time with her, on an Expedition to improve the Knowledge of the Longitude, and Variation of the Compass; which Ship is now completely manned, stored and victualled, at his Majesty's Charge, for the said Expedition: You are therefore hereby required and directed forthwith to proceed with her, according to the following Instructions.

You are, without Loss of Time, to set Sail with her, and proceed to make a Discovery of the unknown South Lands between the *Magellan* Straights, and the *Cape of Good Hope*, between the Latitude of 50 and 55 South, if you meet not with the Land sooner; observing the Variation of the Compass with all the Accuracy you can; as also the true Situation, both in Longitude and Latitude, of the Ports where you arrive.

You are likewise to make the like Observations at as many of the Islands, in the Seas between the aforesaid Coasts, as you can, without too much Deviation, bring into your Course.

In your Return home, you are to visit the *English West India* Plantations, or as many of them as conveniently you may; and in them to make such Observations as may contribute to lay them down truly in their geographical Situation: And, in all the Course of your Voyage, you must be careful to omit no Opportunity of noting the Variation of the Compass; of which you are to keep a Register in your Journal.

You are, for the better lengthening out your Pro-

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visions, to put the Men under your Command, when you come out of the Chanel, to Six to Four Men's Allowance; assuring them, That they shall be punctually paid at the End of the Voyage.

You are, during the Term of this Voyage, to be very careful in conforming yourself to what is directed by the general printed Instructions annexed to your Commission, with regard as well to his Majesty's Honour, as to the Government of the Ship under your Command: And, when you return to *England*, you are to call in at *Plymouth*, and, finding no Orders there to the contrary, to make the best of your Way to the *Downes*, and remain there till further Order. Dated at the Admiralty Office, the 12th of September 1699.

*J. Bridgewater,*  
*Hooersham,*  
*D. Mitchell.*

To Captain *Edmund Haley*, Commander of his Majesty's Pink the *Paramour*, at *Deptford*.

A true Copy,

*J. Burchett.*

VII. The said of Extract of a Letter from Mr. Secretary *Vernon* to the Lords of the Admiralty, touching the Instructions for the Captain of the *Dolphin*.

I have laid before his Majesty your Lordships Letter of the 23d Instant, with the inclosed Copies of Instructions for the Commander of his Majesty's Ship *Dolphin*, as well from your Lordships, as from the Persons concerned in the Wrecks that are to be fished up: Whereupon his Majesty hath commanded me to acquaint you, That he approves of the said Instructions.

IX. The said Copy of the Instructions to Captain *Dampier*, of the *Roebuck*, for making Discoveries in foreign Parts.

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England, Ireland, &c.*

Whereas, upon some Proposals of your making Discoveries in foreign Parts, which may be of Advantage to the Publick, it hath been thought fit to appoint you Commander of his Majesty's Ship the *Roebuck*; and that you shall proceed with the said Ship upon the aforesaid Service: You are therefore hereby required and directed, forthwith upon your Receipt hereof, to proceed with her till you shall come near the *Cape of Good Hope*, and from thence stretch away towards *New Holland*, and then to *New Guinea*, and *Terra Australis*: But in case, either with relation to the Seasons of the Year, or any other good Reason that shall occur to you, you shall think it may more conduce to the Service you are going on, to steer any other Course than what is before directed, you are hereby impowered and directed to do the same: And, in regard his Majesty is at great Charge in fitting out, and maintaining at Sea, the Ship you command for this Service, you are therefore to take especial Care, that your utmost Endeavours be used towards the discovering all such Things, in those Parts of the World where you shall proceed, as you shall judge may any ways tend to the Good of the Nation: And, to that End, you are to bring home with you some of the Produce of the Places you touch at, where you shall think it material: And you are likewise at Liberty to bring home some of the Natives, provided they are willing to come along with you: For the better enabling you to do the same, and to keep a Correspondence with the said Natives, we have, according to what you propose, given Orders for your being furnished with several Things you desire, and some other Trifles, to trade with them.

And whereas it may probably happen, That, during the Course of your intended Voyage, some of your Ship's Company may die, or that others may prove so disorderly as to make it necessary for you to part with them; We do hereby give you Permission to exchange such disorderly Persons with any Ship or Vessel of his Majesty's Subjects you shall meet with, in case the Master of such Ship or Vessel consent thereunto: But in case you shall, at any time, during your being abroad, meet with any of his Majesty's

*Dolphin, &c.*  
Ships, and  
Instructions  
for Discoveries,



Majesty's Ships, and that you shall not then have your Complement of Men, their Commanders are hereby required and directed, upon your Application, to spare you so many as conveniently they can: And in case you shall also have on board any Persons, that shall have endeavoured to cause any Disturbance in the Ship, so as that you shall think it for the Service, that they be removed from her, the Commander of any such Ship or Vessel of his Majesty's is hereby further required to take them on board, and give you other Men in their Room, and to keep the said disorderly Persons in safe Custody till he returns to *England*, that they may be brought to Tryal, and punished, for their Offence: And as you are strictly to comply with what is before directed, as to such of your Ship's Company as shall misbehave themselves; so are you, before you sail, to make it publicly known, not only to all your Officers, but Men, that such as shall behave themselves well, and cheerfully perform their Duty, in this Affair, which, it is hoped, may tend to the Advantage of the Nation, shall, at their Return, receive all fitting Reward and Encouragement.

You are, during your whole Voyage, to keep an exact Journal of your Proceedings, and of all Things remarkable, which shall occur to you; which, at your Return, you are to deliver, fairly writ, to this Board, under your Hand, and to no other; taking care to conform yourself to what is directed by the general printed Instructions annexed to your Commission, with regard as well to his Majesty's Honour, as to the Government of the Ship under your Command; except as to what relates to your Journal, as aforesaid: And when you shall find, that you can make no further Discovery for the Good of the Nation, you are to take care not to put the King to any unnecessary Charge by staying abroad, but to return to *England*, as soon as may be, with the Ship you command, calling in at *Plymouth*; from whence, if you find no Orders there to the contrary, you are to repair to the *Downes*, and remain there till further Orders: And you are, by all Opportunities which you shall meet with, to send this Board an Account of your Proceedings: And, during the whole Term of your Voyage, you are to take particular Care not to annoy any of his Majesty's Subjects, or those of his Allies, but rather to give them what Assistance you can, without Hindrance or Prejudice to the Affair whereon you are employed.

And, for the better lengthening out your Provisions, you are to put the Men under your Command, when you come out of the Chancel, to Six to Four Men's Allowance; assuring them, That they shall be punctually paid for the same at the End of the Voyage. Dated at the Admiralty Office, this 30th of November 1698.

To Captain *Dampier*, Commander *H. Priestman*,  
of his Majesty's Ship the *Roe-buck*: *G. Rooke*,  
*Downes*. *J. Kendall*.  
20th December 1699. A true Copy,  
*J. Burchett*.

Ordered, That the said Copies do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Avon Navigation.

Ordered, That the Bill for making the River *Avon* navigable, from *Christ Church* to the City of *New Sarum*, more effectual, be read To-morrow Morning.

Papists Protestant Heirs.

Ordered, That the Bill for hindering Papists from dis-inheriting their Protestant Heirs be read To-morrow Morning.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Ordered, That Mr. *Blofeld*, Sir *John Packington*, Army. Mr. *Stonehouse*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. *Parkhurst*, Mr. *Chivers*, Sir *Robert Marsham*, Mr. *Freke*, Sir *Fra. Molyneux*, Sir *Tho. Grosvenor*, Sir *Robert Eden*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Sir *John Cotton*, Mr. *Blisse*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Molyneux*, Mr. *Carter*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Consideration of the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Jovis, 21<sup>o</sup> die Decembris;

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council, and the Master and Society of Merchants, of the City of *Bristol*, on the behalf of themselves, and the Citizens and Inhabitants thereof, was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That \* \* \* \* \*

..... That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Yates* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of the Proprietors and Tenants of several Mills on the River *Avon*, between the Cities of *Bath* and *Bristol*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in this House for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*; which, should it pass, will greatly damage the Petitioners Weirs and Mills on the said River, and be of no Service to the Publick: And praying, That they may be heard by Counsel, to offer their Objections against the said Bill.

Ditto.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of the Bakers of the City of *Bristol* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That if the Bill now before the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, should pass, the same will be very prejudicial to the Petitioners, because they cannot grind their Corn any-where else than upon the said River; nor will the same be serviceable to the Publick, as is pretended: And praying to be heard by Counsel against the said Bill.

Ditto.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of several Citizens, Inhabitants of the City of *Bristol*, Merchants, Traders, &c. was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill depending in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, cannot be serviceable to the Publick; but will be very injurious to the Petitioners, if it should pass: And praying to be heard by Counsel against the same.

Ditto.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Bill for making the Act, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to the City of *New Sarum*, more

Ditto.

more effectual, was, according to Order, read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Trade to  
Germany.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, Common Council, Merchants, Fullers, and other Traders in the Woollen Manufactures of the City of *Exon*, and Parts adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That a loose and unregulated Trade, in exporting the Woollen Manufactures of *England* by Foreigners, upon equal Terms with our Natives, hath been the Occasion, that Foreigners have almost gotten the sole Trade of exporting our Woollen Manufactures into *Holland* and *Flanders*; whereby they have gotten the Opportunities of governing the Markets, debasing the Manufactures, and exporting them almost unmanufactured; to the endangering the Loss of that advantageous Trade to this Nation: That the Petitioners conceive, the only Way to restore the said Trade, and prevent the said growing Inconveniences, is to support the Company of Merchant Adventurers of *England*: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill, That the said Company may be supported in their Trade to *Germany*; and that all his Majesty's natural-born Subjects may be admitted into the said Company, for such Fine as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Edward Seymour* and Mr. *Stratford* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Woollen  
Manufac-  
tures.

A Petition of the Clothiers, and others, of the ancient Borough of *Wilton*, in the County of *Wilts*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by reason of the Prohibition of our Woollen Manufactures in *Flanders*, so great Quantities thereof remain in the Petitioners Hands, that they have been obliged to dismiss great Numbers of their Work-people, who are thereby reduced to great Hardships: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Consideration of the Petition of the Clothiers, and Woollen Manufacturers, within the City of *New Sarum*, in behalf of themselves, and many Thousands of poor Persons depending on them, is referred.

A Member  
discharged  
from custody.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Machell*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament, be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Half-pay.

A Petition of Captain *Le Wright*, Lieutenant *John Fishwick*, Lieutenant *Gustavus Belford*, Lieutenant *John Higham*, Lieutenant *Oliver Wheeler*, and Ensign *James Nicholson*, *English* Officers, that were reduced in *Scotch* Regiments, being the whole Number of them not in Half-Pay, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners served in *English* Regiments at the Beginning of the late War, and were all removed into *Scotch* Regiments, for their Advancement; where they served until the Conclusion of the Peace; and their Names were inserted in the List of *English* Officers given in to this House, by his Majesty's Command, the last Session, to whom this House, on the 21st of April 1699, voted Half-pay: But afterwards, viz. on the 29th of the said April, the House voted Half-pay to such Officers only, who served in *English* Regiments at the time of their being reduced; whereby the Petitioners are debarred from the Reward of Half-pay too, which they might as well hope for by their Services, as the rest of their Countrymen; and without it they must be reduced to great Hardships: And praying the House to take their Case into Consideration, That they may be allowed Half-pay, as well as other *English* Officers.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table; and be taken into Consideration, when the List of the

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Officers who have Half-pay shall be brought into the House.

A Petition of *Robert Pellicon* Gentleman, in behalf of himself, and many others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That in 1629, there was due from his then Majesty King *Charles* the First, to several Persons, above 25,000*l.* for naval Stores and Provisions; whereof the Petitioner is intitled to about 5,000*l.*; and King *Charles* granted to Trustees several Demesne Lands of the Crown, to be sold to pay off the said Debt, and the Surplus to be answered to the Crown; but the said Trust was never performed, though, in order thereunto, there has been Proceedings in all the Reigns since; and particularly, in 1690, there was a Reference from the Lords of the Treasury to the then Solicitor General, now the Lord Chancellor; who reported, That some effectual Care ought to be taken, that the Creditors might be satisfied, and the Crown no longer kept out of the Surplusage of the said Lands: That the Petitioner is informed, the Bill now in this House, for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretences of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other defective Titles, will debar the said Creditors from the Recovery of their said Debt: And praying, That he may be heard by his Counsel, before the said Bill do pass this House.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Campion* have Leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

A Petition of the Mayor, Bailiffs, Burgesses, and Commonalty, of the Town and County of *Poole*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Rye Harbour* is the only Harbour upon the Coast of *Kent* and *Sussex*, for above 100 Miles by Sea; and Ships of considerable Burden have thereby saved themselves in Stress of Weather: That the said Harbour lies opposite to *Diep*, and several other considerable Ports of *France*; and his Majesty's whole Navy might be there received formerly, or any Ships of War, to hinder the *French* from infesting our Coast; but now the said Harbour is so choaked up by the Inning of Land, and making Flood-gates and Walls cross the same, which stop the Slub, and yearly grows worse, that, now, not above 20 Sail of small Ships can lie in the said Harbour; and, if Care be not taken, a Ship of Burden will not be able to come in: And praying, That some Course may be taken to restore the said Harbour of *Rye* to its ancient Goodness, that so considerable a Harbour for the Benefit of the whole Nation may not be totally lost.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Mayor, Jurats, Freemen, and chief Inhabitants of the Town of *Rye*, is referred.

A Bill for hindering Papists from disinheriting their Protestant Heirs was, according to Order, read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon this Day fortnight.

A Petition of *John Lawton* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, on the 28th of November last, the Petitioner and Mr. *Cotton* stood Candidates for One of the Burgesses for the Town of *Newcastle under Line* in the County of *Stafford*; and the Petitioner polled 140, and Mr. *Cotton* 155; but a great many of his Voices were unqualified, by reason they received Alms of the said Town; and the Petitioner had the Majority of qualified Votes, and ought to have been returned; and, besides this, Mr. *Cotton*, and his Agents, expended upon the Voters above 300*l.* in Meat and Drink, also

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beneficial Presents, and Sums of Money, as Bribes to several Persons for their Votes, and Promises to others of Leases of Houses and Lands; all which Proceedings are contrary to a late Act of Parliament to prevent Expences in Elections; and are injurious to the Petitioner's Right: And praying the Relief of the House therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Sir *William Phippard* have Leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Privilege—  
Assault of  
a Member.

A Complaint being made to the House, That Sir *John Phillips*, a Member of this House, as he was Yesterday going from the House, was, in *Westminster-hall*, assaulted, and otherwise affronted, by *Simon Harcourt* Esquire, a Clerk in the Crown Office; in Contempt, and Breach of the Privileges, of this House;

*Ordered*, That the said *Simon Harcourt* be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for the said Contempt, and Breach of the Privileges, of this House.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions of the said Committee; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Seven Thousand Men be the Complement for Sea Service for the Year One thousand Seven hundred, for Thirteen Months,

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, for maintaining the said Seven thousand Men, Four Pounds per Man per Month be allowed; including the Ordnance for Sea Service.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Bedford  
Election.

Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to the said Committee, touching the Election for the County of *Bedford*; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; and which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

Upon the Petition of *William Duncomb* and *Thomas Bromsall* Esquires, complaining of an undue Election, and Return, of the Lord *Edward Russell* and Sir *Wm. Gostwick* to serve for the County of *Bedford*:

That the Majority of the Poll was agreed to be with the Sitting Members.

But the Petitioners Counsel complained of an irregular Proceeding in Two Points:

1st, That Persons who had voted for One of the Candidates, and afterwards came, and would have given their Second Vote for another Candidate, were denied their Second Vote.

2dly, That several of the Sitting Members Votes were gained by Treating.

That, upon the First Point, the Committee came to this Resolution:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That if a Person, having a Right to vote for Two Members to serve in Parliament, shall give a single Vote, such Person hath not a Right to come afterwards, and give his Second Vote, during the said Election.

That, as to the Point of Treating, the Counsel called several Witnesses:

*John Green* said, That he kept the *Falcon Inn* at *Bedford*; and that Mr. *Hayes*, formerly a Servant to Sir *Wm. Gostwick*, but now an Innkeeper at *Bedford*, took up his Inn for the Lord *Russell* and Sir *Wm. Gostwick*: That Mr. *Blosse*, Sir *Wm. Gostwick*'s Servant, told the said *Green*, He should receive what Money he could of the Freeholders, and Sir *Wm. Gostwick* would pay the rest: That, in August last, he went to Sir *Wm. Gostwick*'s, to ask his Money: That Sir *Wm. Gostwick* at first was very angry, and said, he knew nothing of it; but afterwards told him, he would see among them to help him to his Money: That, of 140, whose Reckoning came to 12 d. a piece, some paid nothing, and some paid but 2 d.: That the Charge in his House that Day came to about 16 l.; and Mr. *Blosse* dined with some of them.

*John Lovell*, *Tho. Joyce*, *Tho. Beaumont*, *Tho. Cock*, said, That they were at the *Falcon Inn* the Day of the Election; and that all, except *Cock*, respectively declaring for the Lord *Edward Russell* and Sir *William Gostwick*, were told, That they might eat and drink, paying only a Penny or 2 d.: And that, at their going away, they paid nothing: And that *Cock* was offered to eat and drink for nothing: But *Cock* declaring he might be but for One of the Sitting Members, *Green* told him, then he must pay Half, and leave Half; which accordingly he did. *Cock* said, He voted only for Mr. *Bromsall*.

*James Muns* said, That he kept the *White Horse Inn*; and that several, to the Number of 16 or 17, came to his House by the Direction of one Clerk, a Collar-maker to Sir *Wm. Gostwick*; which Persons the said *Muns* did trust, upon the said Clerk's Account: That afterwards the said *Muns* and Clerk went to Mr. *Tidford*, Sir *Wm. Gostwick*'s Bailiff for the Money; who told him he must stay till Sir *Wm. Gostwick* was settled in the House: That Clerk went with him to Sir *Wm. Gostwick*'s; but Sir *Wm.* would promise him nothing: That afterwards they spoke again to Mr. *Tidford*; and they all went to Sir *Wm. Gostwick*'s; and Mr. *Tidford* came out, and said, he had no Orders: Whereupon Clerk said, there was no Truth in Man: And Clerk afterwards paid the said *Muns* by Degrees, himself, with his own Money.

*John Richards* said, That he kept the *Half Moon Inn*; and that 16 or 17 Men having dined at his House, whose Reckoning came to about 18 d. apiece, Five or Six not paying, he went the next Morning to Mr. *Tidford*, who asked him, who he was for: And the said *Richards* answering, for Mr. *Bromsall*, the said Mr. *Tidford* asked him to be for Sir *Wm. Gostwick*; and said, it would be taken kindly: Which the said *Richards* promised him; but told Mr. *Tidford* of the Reckoning: Whereupon Mr. *Tidford* said, when Sir *Wm.* was settled, it should be paid: The Persons said, if Mr. *Tidford* did not pay, they would pay themselves; and Three of them since had paid; the others had not.

*Richard Shaw* said, He lived, at the time of the Election, as a Servant, at the *Bell Inn*: That his Mistress desired him not to mention Sir *William Gostwick*'s Name; but told him all that came in Esquire *Cater*'s Name might eat and drink on Free-cost: That at Night Six came in, that said they had polled for Sir *Wm. Gostwick*; and he had Orders to give them Meat and Drink; and they drank plentifully: Afterwards another Company came in of Eight: And when they had drank 2 d. apiece, one whispered another, That it was hard they must pay that were for Sir *William Gostwick* and the Lord *Russell*: Whereupon he told his Mistress, and by her Order gave them their Money again: And that Night, and the next Day, there was spent in the House to the Value of 15 l.: And that Sir *Wm. Gostwick*'s Servants were hard by, and about 20 People with them.

*Robert Roebuck*, *John Rogers*, said, That they polled for Sir *William Gostwick*, and spent 2 d. apiece; and afterwards had their Money given again by *Shaw*, that then attended as Tapster, as others also had.

*Edward Brockis* said, That he was at the Election; That

That Mr. *Bret*, a Tenant to the Duke of *Bedford*, gave him Half-a-crown to treat himself and others, by the Way to *Bedford*: That, when he came to *Bedford*, all was paid there also: And that Six or Eight Men came in, and asked for Victuals, and said, They were for Sir *Wm. Gostwick* and the Lord *Russell*: And the Woman of the House said, they might have what they would; but must be very private: That the Clerk of the Kitchen to the Duke of *Bedford*, upon his saying, He was not able to go to the Election, told him, If he would hire a Horse, the Charge should be borne: That Mr. *Taylor*, the Duke of *Bedford's* Bailiff, provided a Waggon for others: And that all the Parish, that went with him, were for the Lord *Russell* and Sir *Wm. Gostwick*.

*Henry Brown*, *Laur. Crawley*, *John Oldhill*, said, They had all their Dinners paid for by Mr. *Bret*, a Tenant to the Duke of *Bedford*: And that *Bret* paid for 24 Persons. *Brown* said, That he went down in Mr. *Taylor's* Waggon, and had his Expenses bore; and *Crawley* said, He had his Horse-hire paid.

*Tho. Worcester* said, That he was One of the Persons treated by Mr. *Brett* at the *Bell Inn*.

That the Petitioners Counsel also insisted on the Partiality of the Sheriff, who, they said, did take Two Voices for the Sitting Members, when they refused them for the Petitioners. And called

Mr. *John Hervey*: Who said, That the Sheriff did admit Second Votes, till the Sitting Members protested against it; and, after such Protestation, *Hump. Fitch Esquire*, gave a Second Vote for the Sitting Members; but it was at another Court: And it did not appear, that the Person who took the Poll there, was acquainted with such Protestation; or that the Sheriff himself had desisted from taking the Second Votes.

The Sitting Members Counsel insisted, That the Sitting Member that had fewest Votes, had more than either of the Petitioners, by above Six hundred: And, to answer the Point of Treating, called

*John Deer*, *Tho. Hayes*: Who said, That Mr. *Tidford*, a Servant to Sir *Wm. Gostwick*, came to them, and desired them to go with him to the several Inns at *Bedford*; which they did, and told the People of the said Inns, That they should recommend several Freeholders to come there; but bid them take Money of them for what they had; for that the Lord *Russell* and Sir *William Gostwick* would be at no Charge.

*Benj. Hasleton* said, That *John Green* desired him to assist him in making up his Bills for the last Election: And the said *Hasleton* asking him, Who gave him Orders to trust the Freeholders; the said *Green* told him, That he had no Orders to trust the Freeholders, either from the Lord *Russell*, or Sir *Wm. Gostwick*, nor did he know when he should be paid; for Sir *William Gostwick* had refused to pay him.

That the Sitting Members Counsel were ready to have examined other Witnesses: But, the Committee seeming satisfied, they were not examined.

And the Committee came to these Resolutions:

2d. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Lord *Edward Russell* is duly elected a Knight to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Bedford*.

3d. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir *William Gostwick* is duly elected a Knight to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Bedford*.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Resolution be postponed.

The Second and Third Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Then the House proceeded upon the Consideration of the said Resolution which was postponed: And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

*Resolved*, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow, Twelve a Clock.

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*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, after the Committee of the whole House upon the Bill for the more effectual Execution of an Act, intituled, An Act to restore the Market at *Blackwell-hall* to the Clothiers, and for regulating the Factors there, have sat, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Blackwell-hall Cloth Market.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Veneris, 22<sup>o</sup> die Decembris;

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Clothiers, and others concerned in the Woollen Manufactures, residing in the Borough of *Reading* in the County of *Berks*, in behalf of themselves and thousands of Poor depending on them, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, for many Years, most of the Petitioners Manufactures have been exported to *Flanders*, where they are now prohibited, by reason some of their Manufactures are prohibited here; so that they are setting up the Trade of making Cloth there, to the Impoverishing of the Petitioners, and the Ruin of many poor Families, who are become burdensome to the said Borough for want of Employment: And the Petitioners conceive, That the vast Quantities of Wool exported hath also very much contributed to the Decay of our Woollen Manufacture; which might be prevented, if a sufficient Fund were provided, to defray the Charge of proper Officers, to put the Laws in Execution, for suppressing that Mischief: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, for the Encouragement of the Consumption of the *English* Woollen Manufactures in foreign Parts; and that the Laws, to prevent the Exportation of Wool, may be diligently executed.

Exporting Wool.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Consideration of the Petition of the Clothiers, and Woollen Manufacturers, within the City of *New Sarum*, and others depending on them, is referred.

A Petition of *Alexander Christie* and *Wm. Gowrdon*, late Serjeants in Captain *John Gowrdon's* Company in the Honourable Sir *David Collier*, now Lord *Portmore's* Regiment, and several other private Centinels in the said Regiment, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are disbanded, and great Arrears of Pay are due to them; which the said Lord *Portmore* refuses to pay them, though long ago he received Money enough to clear the said Regiment; and he paid the Serjeants of his Regiment but 6s. per Week Subsistence, when the Serjeants of other Regiments punctually received 7s. per Week: And praying, That the said Lord *Portmore* may be obliged to pay the Petitioners what Arrears shall appear to be due to them.

Army Arrears.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Robert Gordon*, Administrator of Captain *John Gordon*, his late Brother, deceased, on behalf of himself, and the Creditors of the said Captain *John Gordon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Captain *Gordon* served in the Lord *Portmore's* Regiment from the 31st of December 1688, to the Month of July 1692, when he died: And Mr. *William Hamilton*, Agent to the said Regiment, possessed himself of all his Cloaths, Arms, ready Money, and Accounts;

Ditto.



Accounts; and brings in the said Captain indebted to the said Regiment above 124*l.*; yet refuses to give any attested Account, though he has received the whole Sum from the Treasury: And the Petitioner can prove, That there was due to his said Brother 18 Months Arrears and 29 Weeks Subsistence: Yet Mr. *Hamilton* will not come to an Account, nor pay the Petitioner what is due to his late Brother; for want of which, many of his Creditors are in great Want: And praying, That the Lord *Portmore* and Mr. *Hamilton* may be brought to account with and pay the Petitioner what was due to his said Brother; Mr. *Hamilton* having made several Appointments so to do, but never kept his Word therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of *Joseph Wildman*, and others, in behalf of themselves, and others, lately disbanded out of his Majesty's *Colstream* Regiment, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they cannot get their Officers to make up their Accounts, although they have often importuned them thereto; bidding the Petitioners take their Course at Law, well knowing their starving and necessitous Condition, and that they are not able to prosecute them: And praying, That some speedy Course may be taken for bringing their Officers to a just Account, and paying the Petitioners what is due to them.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Ditto.

A Petition of *Michael Fonder*, and several others, being Foreigners, who were Troopers in the Regiment of Horse commanded by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Macclesfield*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners were disbanded in March last, pursuant to a late Act of Parliament; but their Officers stript them of their Cloaths and Accoutrements, without giving them any Satisfaction, or any Account of their Arrears; and the Petitioners are not able to defray the Charge of travelling into their native Countries, being Foreigners, without the Assistance and Relief of this House in the Premises: And praying the Consideration of the House, That they may be relieved in their just Complaints.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Westminster  
Small Debts.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the City of *Westminster*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That within the said City, and Liberties thereof, there is an ancient Court, holding Plea of Debts and Damages under 40*s.*; which was an easy and speedy Remedy for Recovery of small Debts, until, of late, the Proceedings of the said Court have been obstructed; and Persons are unwilling to trust for small Sums, because they cannot recover them but at great Charge; whereby the poorer Sort of People, who have not ready Money, cannot be trusted for Goods to employ themselves in their Trades; whose Poverty thereby daily increaseth: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for removing the said Obstructions, and recovering the ancient Remedy by suit in the said Court.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Harcourt* and Mr. *Thursby* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Avon  
Navigation.

A Petition of the Company of Innholders of the City of *Bristol*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in the House for

the making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*; which Bill, if it should pass into a Law, as it is now drawn, will greatly prejudice the Petitioners, and be no ways advantageous to the public Good, as is pretended: And praying, That the Petitioners may be heard by Counsel, what they have to object against the said Bill, before the same be suffered to pass this House.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard before the said Committee, as by the Petition is desired.

Mr. *Carter* reported, from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect the Journals for the last Sessions, what was done upon the Petition of *John Goodall*, and others, relating to the Abuses of the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, the Matter, upon the Petition of *Jacob Massey*, and others, touching the Escape of one *Feiting*, a *Dutchman*, as it appeared to the Committee; and the Resolution of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

That Mr. *Grove*, the Petitioners Counsel, opened the Petitioners Case as in the Petition; and alledged, That in case his Clients had proceeded as far as the Law would allow; yet, by the Practice of the Wardens of the *Fleet* in suffering Escapes, a Plaintiff is no nearer the Recovery of his Debt than when he commenced his Action; by reason that he must begin a new Action of Escape against the Warden, if ever any Satisfaction is expected: And proceeded to prove the Matter of the Petition.

Mr. *Rudge*, the Petitioners Attorney, said, That in June last the Petitioner *Massey* told him, That he, and the rest of the Petitioners, had delivered to one *Feiting*, a *Dutchman*, at the City of *Paris*, certain Diamonds, of the Value of 700*l.* to be by him polished for the Petitioners; and that *Feiting* had run away with the Diamonds, and was come to *England*; and desired Mr. *Rudge* to advise him what was fit to be done therein: Upon which, Mr. *Rudge* advised an Action of Trover; and accordingly *Feiting* was arrested in *London*, at the Suit of the Petitioner *Massey* only.

That *Feiting* turned himself over to the *Fleet* by *Habeas Corpus*; in obtaining which, he being brought before Judge *Powell*, the Informant prayed, in behalf of his Clients, That *Feiting* might be kept in safe Custody of the Warden of the *Fleet*; and the Judge strictly charged, That he should. And afterwards the Informant, while *Feiting* was in Custody, delivered at the *Fleet* five several Declarations in five Actions, at the several Suits of the Petitioners.

Since which, the Warden of the *Fleet* did own to the Informant, That *Feiting* had escaped from the *Fleet*: Notwithstanding which, the Petitioner *Massey* proceeded in his said Action; and, upon a Writ of Enquiry of Damages, a Jury of *Middlesex* gave him 310*l.* Damages, besides Costs of Suit: But the Petitioner cannot charge the said *Feiting* in Execution, by reason of the said Escape.

Mr. *Grove* also called one *Hall*, a Witness, to prove the other Part of the Petition; which charges, That the Warden of the *Fleet* took 20 Guineas Consideration for the Escape of *Feiting*: But, his Evidence being only Hearsay, the Committee did not think fit to examine him.

To answer which Complaint;

Mr. *Ford*, the Warden of the *Fleet*, owned, That *Feiting* was his Prisoner as aforesaid, and is escaped; but that he took all the Care he could to prevent it, having heard that *Feiting* had formerly broke Gaol, for which Reason, he not only confined him within the Walls of the Prison, but set a Waiter over him Night and Day, and designed to remove him to the *King's Bench*; which *Feiting* hearing of, proposed to give Security by Four Persons, such as he believes the Sheriff would have accepted, for his true Imprisonment; who accordingly entered into a Bond of 2,000*l.* Penalty, and a Warrant to confess Judgment

Judgment thereon; which he has entered up since *Feiting's* Escape, and believes the Security will be sufficient to answer the Petitioner *Massey's* Demands; but does not think himself obliged by law to make the other Petitioners any Satisfaction.

That a Writ of Error is brought upon *Massey's* Proceedings: To prove which he called

*Antony Grindall*, Clerk of the Inquiries to the *Fleet*, who said, That, by the Warden's Direction, he brought the said Writ of Error; and produced a Certificate thereof, under the Clerk of the Errors Hand: But owned, That he had not seen *Feiting* for Two Months last; and that he had no Directions from him to bring such Writ.

That he made Inquiry into the Sufficiency of the said Four Sureties; and was informed, That they were all Housekeepers; the First worth about 100*l.* the Second worth 300*l.* the Third about 80*l.* and the Fourth had a House well furnished, and his Wife took Pawns; but that, since *Feiting's* Escape, the First had absconded: The rest are all in being.

Mr. *Grove* alleged, That Security on mesne Process ought not to be taken; and, that a Gaoler cannot bring a Writ of Error.

To which the Warden replied;

That it was always the Practice of the *Fleet* to take Security for Prisoners upon mesne Process; and he thought himself safer in that Case than by confining *Feiting*, not having a Power to shackle or fetter Prisoners; and hopes he might bring a Writ of Error, or make what Defence he could, for his Indemnity; and believes he shall recover his Prisoner in a Week's time; but denies he ever received more from him than his bare Fees.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to the Resolution following; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Petitioners have fully proved the Allegations contained in their Petition, except that Part which charges the Warden of the *Fleet* with taking Twenty Guineas for the voluntary Escape of the said *Feiting*.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Petitioners have fully proved the Allegations contained in their Petition, except that Part which charges the Warden of the *Fleet* with taking Twenty Guineas for the voluntary Escape of the said *Feiting*.

A Complaint being made to the House, That, although a new Writ issued long since, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *St. Germans*, in the County of *Cornwall*; there is no Account of the same being brought, as yet, to the proper Officer of the said Borough;

Delay in  
St. Germans  
Writ.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to inquire where the Default has been, that the said Writ has not been delivered to the proper Officer, in order to the Execution thereof:

And it is referred to Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Edward Hungerford*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Sir *Joseph Jekill*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Vincent*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Sir *John Mordaunt*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*; and all that serve for the County of *Cornwall*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And are impowered to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to punish Governors of Plantations here, for Crimes by them committed in the Plantations: And that Mr. Solicitor General do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Governors of  
Plantations.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the more effectual Execution of an Act, intituled, An Act to restore the Market at *Blackwell-hall* to the Clothiers; and for regulating the Factors there.

Blackwell  
Hall Cloth  
Market.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Eyres* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Eyres* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the said Report be made upon this Day Fortnight.

Mr. *Blathwaite*, according to Order, presented to the House, from the Commissary General of the Musters, a List of Persons who had Half Pay, who have been otherwise provided for.

And the Title thereof was read.

And the List is as followeth; viz.

Captains, &c.	Lieutenants.	Cornets.	Quarter-masters.
The Colonel - - -	Colonel <i>Harvey's</i> Regiment of Horse.	<i>John Harvey</i> - - -	<i>Wm. Williams.</i>
Lord <i>Lovelace</i> - - -	Colonel <i>Windsor's</i> Regiment of Horse.	<i>And. Windsor</i> - - -	
<i>Walt. Leveson</i> - - -	Colonel <i>Lloyd's</i> Regiment of Dragoons.		
- - - - -	Earl of <i>Essex's</i> Regiment of Dragoons.	<i>Walter Philips.</i>	
- - - - -	Colonel <i>Leigh's</i> Regiment of Dragoons.	<i>Tho. Hodges</i>	
<i>William Coward</i> - - -	<i>Ben. Colombine</i> - - -	<i>John Feilding.</i>	
- - - - -	Earl of <i>Denbigh's</i> Regiment of Dragoons.		
Regiments.	F O O T.		Ensigns.
	Captains, &c.	Lieutenants.	
Major General <i>Erle</i> - -	Lieutenant Colonel <i>Freke</i>	<i>Robert Wind.</i>	<i>Rich. Legg.</i> <i>John Pippin.</i> <i>Robert Wandsbrough.</i> <i>Hump. Corry.</i> <i>Wm. Weddall.</i>
Late Duke of <i>Bolton's</i> -	<i>Amb. Edgworth</i> - - -	- - - - -	
Colonel <i>Brudnall's</i> - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	
Colonel <i>Saunderson's</i> -	- - - - -	<i>Geo. Hazard.</i>	
Colonel <i>Gibson's</i> - -	- - - - -	<i>Gilbert Abbott.</i>	
Colonel <i>Farrington's</i> -	The Colonel - - -	<i>John Faruham.</i>	
Colonel <i>Northcot's</i> - -	- - - - -	<i>Arth. Booth.</i>	
Colonel <i>Holt's</i> - - -	<i>Tho. Delavall</i> - - -	<i>Geo. Harrison.</i>	
	<i>Hen. Lyons</i> - - -		
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## M A R I N E S.

Regiments.	Captains, &c.	Lieutenants.	Ensigns.
Colonel <i>Seymour's</i> - -	Lieutenant Col. <i>Newton</i> .		
Colonel <i>Mordaunt's</i> - -	The Colonel - -	<i>Fran. Fowlk.</i>	—

## D E A D.

Colonel <i>Northcot.</i>	<i>Andr. Hickman</i> - -	<i>Rich. Coote.</i>
Major <i>Tho. Burrington</i>	<i>Stanly Russell.</i> - -	
- - - - -	<i>Gam. Lloyd.</i> - -	
<i>Cha. Morgan</i> - -	- - - - -	<i>Wm. Leveson.</i>
- - - - -	- - - - -	<i>Jo. Meenesse.</i>
<i>Elias Pratt</i> , Quarter Master of Dragoons.		
<i>Dennis Foy</i> , Quarter Master of Foot.		

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blaithwaite* do lay before this House an Account of all Vacancies which have happened in the Army, since the Half-pay was established; and how they have been supplied.

Committees. *Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned, except the Committee of Privileges and Elections, who are to sit this Day.

Call of the House. A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the House be called over upon *Tuesday* Sevensnight; It passed in the Negative.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the House be called over upon *Thursday* come Sevensnight; and that such Members as shall not then attend the Service of the House, be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Sir Edward Hussey*, } 103.  
                                  { *Mr. Brotherton* :

Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. Bertie*, } 79.  
                                  { *Mr. Molyneux* :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Charge by Duplicates, &c. *Ordered*, That an Account be laid before this House of the Charge by the Duplicates, and what the Produce of the several Counties of *England* and *Wales* was, to the First Aid of Three Shillings in the Pound; and also of the First and last Quarterly Poll.

Members departing without Leave. *Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Fortnight, take into Consideration how to proceed against such Members as depart the Service of the House without Leave; or stay longer than they have Leave; or that, being in Town, do neglect their daily Attendance upon the Service of the House.

And then the House adjourned till *Thursday* Sevensnight, Eight a Clock in the Morning.

*Jovis, 4° die Januarii;*

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

## P R A Y E R S.

Lacy's Estate.

A PETITION of *Arthur Lacy* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner's Father was seised of divers Manors and Lands; and, as he thought, upon the Marriage of his eldest Son *William*, sufficiently entailed the Barton and Demesnes of *Hartrow*, and other Manors, upon his Issue Male; and conveyed his Manors of *Kingston*, *Seymour*, *Doniford*, *Upton*, and *Storminster*, in the Counties of *Somerset*, *Gloucester*, and *Dorsett*, to Trustees for raising 2,400 *l.* for Portions for his Three Daughters after his Death, with divers remainders over; and died: That *Wm.* had only One Daughter; and he suffered a Recovery of all, except the Barton and Demesnes of *Hartrow*, which stands

charged with his Wife's and Mother's Jointure, and barred the Remainders intailed; so that his Daughter goes away with all that Estate; and the other Premises settled to raise Portions for the Petitioner's Sisters, and his Mother's Jointure, are all that will come to him as Heir Male of his Family; and those being Western Manors, the Income will not pay the Interest of the Portions, the same being also mortgaged for 3,000 *l.* raised to pay the said Portions; by which, and Debts contracted by the Petitioner, he is in a much worse Condition than his Sisters; though, if the said Western Manors were sold, they would yield a considerable Sum, more than sufficient to pay off the said Debt: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for the Sale of the said Western Manors, and Lands charged with the said Mortgage; and for laying out the Residue of the Money in a Purchase to the same Uses the said Manors and Lands are now settled.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Palmer* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the Borough and Avon Parish of *Chipenham*, and others adjacent, near *Bath*, in the County of *Wilts*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill depending in the House for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, if it should pass, as it now is, will be very prejudicial to the Petitioners, and no ways serviceable to the Publick: And praying, That they may be heard by Counsel, what they have to object against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of Sir *Joseph Williamson*, and the Lady *Katherine Obrian*, Baroness of *Clifton*, his Wife, only Sister and Heir of *Charles* late Duke of *Richmond* and *Lenox*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, upon the Petition of one *Thomas Wise*, the House hath ordered him to be heard by Counsel before the Committee, to whom the Bill for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretences of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other defective Titles, is committed, as to a Saving of his pretended Right to *Sutton Marsh* in *Lincolnshire*, Part of the said late Duke's Estate; out of which the said *Wise* was evicted Twenty-eight Years since, upon a Tryal at Law, without any Claim or Interruption since till now; and the said Estate is, by the Will of the said Duke, subjected to the Payment of Debts and Legacies; and, pursuant to Decrees in Chancery, the same is conveyed to the Petitioner Sir *Joseph*, as a Security for a great Sum of Money by him paid for the said Debts; and afterwards for the Benefit of the Lord *Cornbury*: And praying, That they may be heard before the said Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed, to offer their Objections against such particular Saving.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed:

committed : And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel thereupon.

Defective  
Titles.

A Petition of *Edward Lord Cornbury*, on behalf of himself and *Katherine Lady Cornbury*, his Wife, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That one *Tho. Wise*, having petitioned the House touching the Bill committed, for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretences of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other defective Titles ; it was ordered, That he should be heard by Counsel before the said Committee, as to a Saving of his pretended Right to *Sutton Marsh* in *Lincolnshire*, Part of the Estate of the late Duke of *Richmond*, deceased ; out of which the said *Wise* was evicted, upon a Tryal at Law before the late Lord Chief Justice *Hales*, about Twenty-eight Years ago, without any Claim or Interruption to the Duke, or any claiming under him, till now : And praying to be heard by Counsel before the said Committee, against any such particular Saving, and the Consequences thereof.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee : And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel thereupon.

Westminster  
Small Debts.

Ordered, That the Bill for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience in the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof, be read a Second time, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, in a full House.

Justices of  
Peace Qua-  
lification.

Mr. *Topham*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace : And the same was received ; and read the First time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Exporting  
Wool.

A Petition of the Clothiers of the City of *Coventry*, in behalf of themselves, and many hundreds that depend upon them, in and about the said City, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That, for many Years past, they have found a general Decay of the Trade in the Woollen Manufactures, to their great Impoverishment, and Increase of the Poor : The Causes whereof are, the Exportation of our Wool, the great Consumption of *India Silks*, and the prohibition of foreign Lace ; which has put the *Netherlands* upon a Necessity of setting up a Woollen Manufacture : And praying, That the Decay of the Trade in the Woollen Manufactures may be taken into Consideration, and remedied.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to examine what has been done upon the former Laws against the Exportation of Wool, and for encouraging the Woollen Manufacture ; and to report the same to the House, with their Opinions, what may be further necessary to be done.

Papists  
Protestant  
Heirs.

A Bill for the hindering Papists from disinheriting their Protestant Heirs was, according to Order, read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Richard Cocks*, Lord *Comingsby*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Rider*, Mr. *Bertie*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Hughes*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Mr. *Farrer*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Abstr. Danby*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *Barnardiston*, Sir *James Houblon*, Mr. *Duke*, Mr. *Dryden*, Mr. *Burrard*, Mr. *Bulkley*, Mr. *Thursby*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Phillips* ; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe : And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Army  
Arrears.

Ordered, That Mr. *Brewer*, Major General *Trelawney*, Mr. *Godolphin*, Mr. *Topham*, Major General *Erle*, Mr. *Mountague*, Brigadier *Trelawney*, Colonel *King*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Ogle*, Brigadier *Setwin*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred.

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Mr. *Yates*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better preserving the Navigation of the Rivers *Avon* and *Froom* ; and cleansing the Streets of the City of *Bristol* : And the same was received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read upon *Monday* Morning next.

A Petition of *Ann Savidge*, Widow of Captain *Robert Savidge*, deceased, Provost Marshal to his Majesty's English Forces in *Ireland* ; and of *William Lowther*, and others, private Horsemen in the late Troop commanded by the said Captain *Savidge* ; was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That there is due to the Widow *Savidge*, for her Husband's Pay, 110*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* ; and to the other Petitioners 244*l.* 15*s.* 10*d.* ; as may appear by a stated Account, by the Commissioners of Accounts in *Ireland*, and Mr. *Foxe's* Report ; but the Widow cannot get any Part of what is due to her ; the other Petitioners, who received a Moiety of the 244*l.* cannot, nor have not received any Part of the other Moiety since 1693, though reduced to great Necessities : And praying, That they may be paid what is respectively due to them.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred : And that they do examine the Matter thereof ; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Thomas Macmillon*, and others, late Ditto. Serjeants and Corporals in the late Queen's Regiment of Foot, commanded by the Honourable Brigadier *Trelawney*, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That they served in the said Regiment ever since the Raising of it, and were disbanded in March last ; but never could get any Account from their Officers for Sub-sistence or Arrears, without complying with their unjust Deductions for Powder, Ball, Debts in Quarters, Transportation, and other Charges allowed by the King ; whereby they cut off most of the Petitioners Arrears, and bring some in debt ; to their great Grievance and Impoverishment : And praying, That their Case may be taken into Consideration, so as they may be paid their Arrears.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred : And that they do examine the Matter thereof ; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of the Mayor, Jurats, Freemen, and chief Inhabitants, of the ancient Town and Port of *Winchelsea*, in the County of *Sussex*, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That *Rye* is the only Harbour for Ships upon the Coast of *Kent* and *Sussex*, from *Dover* to *Portsmouth* ; lies opposite to *Diep*, and other considerable French Ports ; and was a sufficient Reception for the whole Navy Royal ; but now the Harbour is so choaked up with Slub, by the Inning of Land, and making Flood-gates and Walls cross the same, that not above 20 small Ships can now lie there ; and if some speedy Care be not taken, a Ship of Burden will not be able to get in there, the Harbour yearly growing worse and worse ; to the great Discouragement of Navigation and Trade : And praying, That some Course may be taken to restore the said Harbour to its ancient Goodness, which is for the Benefit of the whole Nation.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Town of *Rye* is referred.

Ordered, That the Call of the House be adjourned till *Monday* Morning next.

Ordered, That Sir *Henry Pickering* have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, his Lady being very ill.

Ordered,



Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Burleigh* have Leave to go into the Country, his Lady being very ill.

A Member  
discharged  
from  
Custody.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Henley*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament, be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Defective  
Titles.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Abstrupus Danby* and Mr. *Stringer* be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretences of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other defective Titles, is committed.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday Morning*, Eight a Clock.

*Lunæ, 8<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;*

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Dr. Stevens  
to preach on  
30th Jan.

*ORDERED* That Mr. *Stevens* be desired to preach before this House, upon the Thirtieth of January instant, at *Saint Margaret's Westminster*: And that Sir *Rowland Gwynn* do acquaint him therewith.

Assaying of  
Plate.

A Petition of the Goldsmiths of the City and County of *Exon*, and Parts adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by reason of a Clause in an Act of Parliament made in the 8th and 9th Years of his Majesty's Reign, for making a new Standard for Silver, the Petitioners cannot exercise their Trades; for that their Plate is liable to a Seizure for want of the *Britannia* Mark, which they are incapable to fix, unless they incur the Penalty of the Law: And praying, That the said Clause may be repealed; and that Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the more effectual preventing the melting down of the current Coin of this Kingdom; and also to prevent all Manner of Frauds and Abuses in the Silver Manufacture.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same to the House; together with their Opinion, what is fit to be done in relation to the *Britannia* Mark:

And it is referred to Sir *Barth. Shower*, Lord *Corningsby*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Pagett*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Sir *Francis Windham*, Colonel *Lee*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Mounsteevens*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Nicholson*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Crane*, Mr. *Milbank*, Sir *John Maimwaring*, Mr. *Blaake*, Mr. *Shackerley*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Company of Goldsmiths, within the City of *Chester*, was also presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by a Clause in an Act of Parliament made in the 8th and 9th Years of the King, for encouraging the bringing in wrought Plate to be coined, One Mark is prescribed for all Plate, which the Company of Goldsmiths of *London* have the doing of; so that the Petitioners Plate is liable to be seized for want of the said Mark; and thereby they are debarred from exercising their Trades: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee.

Bone-lace.

A Petition of the Clothiers within the Borough of *Kinfare*, in the County of *Stafford*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, for many Years

past, the Petitioners have kept above 1,000 Persons at Work in the Cloathing Trade; which now they are forced to put a Stop to, because great Quantities of last Year's Cloth lie upon their Hands unsold; by reason, as they conceive, of the Prohibition to import *Flanders* Lace here, which has occasioned a Prohibition of our Cloths there, where they have begun to set up the Woollen Manufacture; which will bring the Petitioners to great Want: And praying, That the Cloathing Trade to *Flanders* may be opened again, and the Exportation of our Wool prevented.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Clothiers of *Salisbury* is referred.

A Petition of the Inhabitants in and about the Borough of *Chippenham*, in the County of *Wilt*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the vast Quantities of Copper Coin in those Parts are become very burdensome; the Poor paying scarce any other Sort of money, and other People refusing to take them without Allowance; whereby the Burden is like to fall on the poorer Sort of People: And praying the Consideration of the House therein.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to restrain the coining any more Half-pence, or Farthings: And that Mr. *White* and Mr. *Carter* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of the Mayor, Masters, and Burgesses, of the City of *Wells*; and also of the Gentlemen, Landholders, and other Inhabitants there, and in the neighbouring Parishes; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill depending in the House, for making navigable the River *Avon* from *Bristol* to *Bath*; will greatly prejudice the Petitioners, and others: And praying, That they may be heard by Counsel, before the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

A Petition of *Daniel Small* and *Christopher Fowler*, Ditto. Trustees for the rest of the Proprietors of the Undertaking for bringing fresh Water into the City of *Bristol*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That in 1695, the Petitioners obtained a Grant from the Mayor, Aldermen, and Council of *Bristol*, for laying Pipes and Aqueducts in their Streets; paying 150*l.* Fine, and 166*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* every Seventh Year for 200 Years: And, as the most convenient Place from whence to bring the best Water, the Proprietors fixed upon *Hannam Mills*, on the River *Avon*, Five Miles from *Bristol*, for which they paid 900*l.* Fine; and are to pay 96*l.* per Annum, for 200 Years: That, in the 7th and 8th Years of the King, they had an Act of Parliament to lay their Pipes from *Hannam Mills* to *Bristol*; and have expended near 18,000*l.* in the said Undertaking: But there is a Bill in this House, for making the said River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, which will not only destroy the said Undertaking, without making the Proprietors Satisfaction, but also subject them to the several Actions of many hundreds of their Tenants, with whom they have covenanted by Leases, to supply them with Water: And praying the Consideration of their Case; and that they may be heard by Counsel, at the Bar of the House, or be otherwise relieved, against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

A Petition of the Mealmen of the City of *Bristol*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That if the Bill, for making the River *Avon* from *Bristol* to *Bath* navigable, should pass into a Law, it will be very prejudicial to the Petitioners, for want of Meal to supply the

Copper  
Coinage.

Avon  
Navigation.

Ditto.

the said City: And praying to be heard by Counsel, against the Bill, before the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

Avon Navigation.

A Petition of several Gentlemen and Landholders of *Castlecombe, Grittleton, and Yatton*, in the County of *Wilt*s, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill depending in the House for making the River *Avon* from *Bristol* to *Bath* navigable, will not be serviceable to the Publick, as is pretended; but will greatly prejudice the Petitioners, if it should pass: And praying to be heard by Counsel, what they have to object against the same.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

Ouse Navigation.

A Petition of the Lord Mayor and Commonalty of the City of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have sustained great Damage in their Trade and Commerce, for want of a free and speedy Passage for Ships and Vessels upon the River *Ouse*, flowing to the said City, occasioned by the many Shallows and Obstructions therein; the Removal whereof would not only be a general Benefit to the said City, but a publick Advantage to all Parts adjacent: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for making and keeping the said River more navigable.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *William Robinson* and Mr. *Jenkins* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Rye Harbour.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, Bailiffs, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Liverpoole*, in *Lancashire*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Rye* is the only Harbour for Ships from *Dover* to *Portsmouth*, where many Ships have been saved in Stress of Weather; and also lies opposite to *Diep*, and several other Ports of *France*; from whence also Ships of War used to go out, and prevent Privateers from infesting the Coast; and was capable of receiving his Majesty's whole Navy: But now the Harbour is so decayed by the Inning of Land, and making Flood-gates and Cross-walls, that the Slub stops, and the Harbour grows yearly worse and worse; so that in few Years a Ship of Burden will not be able to get in; and, if some Care be not taken to remove the Flood-gates and Walls, this advantageous Harbour will be utterly lost: And praying, That such Course may be taken as may restore the said Harbour to its ancient Goodness.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Town of *Rye* is referred.

Employing the Poor.

*Ordered*, That the Committee appointed to consider of Ways for the better providing for the Poor, and setting them on Work, have Power to prepare, and bring in, a Bill or Bills for that Purpose.

Newark, &c. Elections.

*Ordered*, That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Elections for the Town of *Newark* in the County of *Nottingham*, and the Town of *Newport* in the Isle of *Wight*, be made upon Thursday Morning next.

Army Arrears.

A Petition of *Charles Bruce*, and others, Soldiers, who served in the Honourable Baron *Van Retchteren's* Regiment of *Dutch* Horse, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they, having great Arrears of Pay due to them, were forced to sign Notes for a Quarter Part of it, or they must have starved; and now the Petitioners, who are Strangers, and remote from their na-

tive Countries, and faithfully served in the late Wars, are in a perishing Condition, without Money or Friends: And praying, that their Accounts may be fairly stated; and that they may be paid what is justly due to them, the Money remaining in the Earl of *Ranelagh's* Hands.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred.

A Petition of *Richard Cumbe* and *Kenneth Alanson*, Army late Serjeants in the Regiment commanded by the Honourable Colonel *George Hamilton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is above 40*l.* due to each of them for Arrears, 2*s.* per Week being stopped out of their Subsistence for above Five Years together: 3*s.* 6*d.* per Week for Cloathing; and yet they wanted Waistcoats, Shirts, Shoes, and Cravats, and Linings for Three Coats; and the Petitioners have sought for Relief all manner of Ways; but cannot obtain any, though they are in very great Distress: And praying, That what is due to them may be stopped in the Lord *Ranelagh's* Office, the Money being in his Majesty's Hands, to clear the said Regiment.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred.

A Petition of *John Inman*, a Soldier, formerly under the Command of Sir *Francis Compton* Knight, Lieutenant Colonel, and *Thomas Rush* and *Henry Clendall*, formerly Soldiers under *Henry Boad*, Major of the Regiment of Light Horse commanded by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Oxford*, in behalf of themselves, and other Soldiers in the said Troop, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That their Officers have great Arrears due to the Petitioners in their Hands; but, while they were under Command, got several Acquittances from them, for Fear of their Officers Displeasure; to be relieved against which, the Petitioners preferred their Bill in the Exchequer against Sir *Francis Compton* and Major *Boade*, who, after Delay, put in their Answers, and thereby insist on the said Acquittances, to prevent the Petitioners from ravelling into their Accounts; and the Petitioners, being poor, are not able to prosecute the said Suit: And praying the Assistance of the House to enforce their Officers to a fair Account, and to pay what is due to the Petitioners.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred.

A Petition of *Francis Molyneux*, Citizen of *London*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, on the 7th of January 1697, a Petition of the Subaltern Officers and Troopers of the Duke of *Schomberg's* Regiment was presented to this House, complaining of Arrears due to them from the now Petitioner; which was referred to a Committee; who came to a Resolution, which was agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz. "Resolved, That there is an Arrear of Pay due to the Petitioners, which is incumbent upon the Colonel to see satisfied:" That thereupon the Petitioner stated his Accounts with the said Duke; and, by an Award of Two indifferent Persons, it appeared, That there was due to the Petitioner, from the said Regiment, 533*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*; for which the Duke gave the Petitioner a Letter of Attorney to receive the same of the Paymaster General of the Army; but he refuses to pay the same: And praying such Relief in the Premises as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Rulers, Auditors, and Assistants, of the Company of Watermen, on behalf of the said Company; and also of several Lightermen, on the behalf of themselves,

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themselves, and others; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by the Statutes of the 2d and 3d of *Phill. and Mary*, and the 1st of *Jacobi* the 1st, for preventing the Loss of Persons Lives and Goods by unskilful Watermen, it was enacted, That the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of *London* should yearly elect Eight Persons, to be called Rulers and Overseers of the Watermen, for keeping good Order amongst them, and making such others as should be thought necessary: But certain doubts have arisen touching the Construction and Execution thereof, whereby his Majesty is prejudiced in respect of Seamen in time of War, and the Lives and Goods of many Persons have been lost, and Gentlemen are daily disturbed in taking Water: To prevent which Inconveniencies, and the like which attend Lightermen also, for want of due Order and Government amongst them, the Petitioners pray, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the Explaining, and more effectual Execution, of the said Statutes; and for the providing One good Government amongst the Watermen and Lightermen for the future; subject to the Powers given by the said Statutes to the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Justices of the Peace.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Shallet* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Blackwell-hall Cloth Market.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the more effectual Execution of an Act, intituled, An Act to restore the Market at *Blackwell-hall* to the Clothiers, and for regulating the Factors there, be made upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Call of the House.

The House was, according to Order, called over: And several Members, who made Default to appear, were excused, either upon Account of Sickness, or other very necessary Occasions; and others were, upon the Question severally put, not excused; viz. *Henry Darell* Esquire, *Henry Mannaton* Esquire, and *Thomas Trenchard* Esquire.

Defaulters.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That *Ralph Freeman* Esquire, be excused; The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Mr. <i>Gwyn</i> , Mr. <i>Brotherton</i> :	} 230.
Tellers for the Noes	{ Mr. <i>White</i> , Mr. <i>Chase</i> :	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the said Mr. *Darell* be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament.

The House taking notice, That the said Mr. *Mannaton* made Default to appear upon their last Call; and that he was then ordered to be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, in respect thereof; they required the Serjeant to give an Account what he had done in Execution of the Warrant, to him directed, for that Purpose: Whereupon the Serjeant acquainted the House, That he had sent One of his Messengers to the said Mr. *Mannaton*'s House at *Calstock*; and that he was there informed, that he was gone towards *London* the 15th of December last; and that, although the Messenger stayed thereabouts several Days, he could not hear of him there, nor yet about this Town, since that Time.

Ordered, That the said Mr. *Mannaton* do surrender himself into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, by this Day Fortnight inclusive, at furthest, upon Pain of incurring the further Displeasure of this House, and of being proceeded against as this House shall think fit.

Ordered, That the said Mr. *Trenchard* be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

Ordered, That Sir *John Rogers*, Sir *Jacob Ashley*, Sir *Wm. Cook*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Woollaston*, Mr. *Osborne*, Sir *Roger Bradshaw*, Admiral *Hobson*, Sir *Hen. Bellasis*, Colonel *Webb*, Colonel *Crawford*, Lord *Cutts*, and all the Members that serve for the County of *Monmouth*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath* is committed.

Avon Navigation.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the Committee appointed to examine the Entries of the Journals, what has been done upon the former Laws against the Exportation of Wool; and for encouraging the Woollen Manufactures; be Eight.

Exporting Wool.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight of the Clock.

Martis, 9° die Januarii;

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Mayor, Burgesses, and Inhabitants, of the Borough of *Christ Church*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there was an Act of Parliament made in the 16th and 17th Years of King *Charles* the 2d, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*; and the Undertakers made several Attempts therein; but, finding no Advantage, though they did carry up some Barges, they desisted, till of late Years, they began again, but have not yet made the River navigable for any Benefit to themselves, or the Publick; nor the Haven near *Christ Church* any better than before: But now certain Persons in *New Sarum* claim a Right in the said Undertaking; and, by Colour of the said Act, and some Orders made by the Commissioners, demand many causeless and unreasonable Fines of the Petitioners, who have Lands contiguous to the said River, or have made use of the said Haven, as formerly; so that the said Act, which was designed for the Benefit of the Country, hath and is like to turn to their Prejudice; and, as the Petitioners are informed, there is a Bill depending in the House for making the said Act more effectual, which is to give the Undertakers further Power to recover such Fines as they have or shall lay: And praying, That they may be heard what they have to object against the said Bill.

Avon Navigation.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of several Gentlemen and Landholders near the River *Avon*, in the Parish of *Christ Church*, in the County of *Southampton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in King *Charles* the Second's Reign, the Undertakers of an Act of Parliament, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*, attempted the same; but the River is yet as unpassable, for any Advantage, as ever; nor is the Haven near *Christ Church* any better, but rather worse, for what they have done: But certain Persons in *New Sarum* now claim a Right to the said Undertaking; and, by Colour of the said Act, and some pretended Orders made by the Undertakers and Commissioners, have laid and demanded several great Fines and Duties upon the Petitioners, who have Lands adjoining to the said River, or have made use of the said Haven as formerly; and, in order to the Recovery thereof, there is a Bill depending in the House for making the said Act, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*, more effectual; which will increase the Undertakers Power, which has been already extended, to the Injury of

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of a great Number of People: And praying, That they may be heard what they have to object against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Avon  
Navigation.

A Petition of the Inhabitants and Landholders of the Parishes of *Box*, and *Ditcheridge*, near *Bath*, in the County of *Wilt*s, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill now in the House for the making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*; which would be very prejudicial to the Petitioners, should the same pass as it now is: And praying, That they may be heard by Counsel, to shew their Objections against the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

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A Petition of the Landholders, and other sufficient Inhabitants of the Town of *Marsfield*, in the County of *Gloucester*, near *Bath*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That if the Bill depending in the House for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, should pass, it will not only prejudice the Petitioners, but also the Inhabitants of the several Counties of *Gloucester*, *Wilt*s, and *Somerset*: And praying to be heard by Counsel against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

Exporting  
Wool.

A Petition of the Clothiers of *Wilt*s, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the late Prohibition of our Woollen Manufactures abroad, being added to the many Difficulties the Cloathing Trade labours under at home, threatens the Overthrow of their Foreign Trade, which is improved to the utmost abroad, when Men of all Occupations enter into the same here, to the Ruin of the Reputation of our Cloth abroad, and the Prejudice of the skilful Trader; and besides, they pay great Duties upon Oil, Soap, and Dyeing Stuffs, when as Foreigners are freed from that Charge, and consequently can make their Cloth cheaper; and thereby discourage the Sale of our Cloth, and encourage the Exportation of our Wool; but the Cloathing Trade was in a much more flourishing Condition in *England*, and our Manufactures much truer made, when our Cloth was sold to *English* Merchants: And praying, That effectual Means may be used to put the *English* Merchants upon the Exportation of our Woollen Manufactures, as formerly; and that a Bill may be brought in to adjust the Measure of Cloth, and to put the Petitioners upon an equal Foot in Trade with their Neighbours.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to examine what has been done upon the former Laws against the Exportation of Wool; and for the encouraging the Woollen Manufacture.

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A Petition of the Corporation of the Borough of *Leeds*, and of the Merchants, Clothiers, Clothworkers, Traders in the Woollen Manufactures, and other the Inhabitants of the said Borough, and Places adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Prohibition of our Woollen Cloths into *Flanders* has been a great Cause of the Decay of that Trade in those Parts, whereon many Thousand Families depend for a Livelihood; and, should the King of *Spain* set up a Woollen Manufacture in *Flanders*, our Foreign Trade therein will depend on the Good-will of the Governor of the *Spanish Netherlands*: To prevent which unknown Inconveniences, it is worthy the Consideration of a Parliament of *England*, to find out suitable Remedies for preserving the Trade of the Woollen Manufactures to this Nation.

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*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to examine what has been done upon the former Laws against the Exportation of Wool; and for the encouraging the Woollen Manufacture.

A Petition of the Drapers, Clothiers, and Clothworkers, on behalf of themselves, and divers other Persons employed in, and subsisting by, the Woollen Manufacture in the Corporation of *Salop*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That those Manufactures were so considerable to *Salop*, until the additional Duties upon *Flanders* Linen, and their Prohibition of our Woollen Cloth, That at least 1,500*l.* a Week was laid out therein; but since, there is not above 200*l.* weekly laid out; so that many Families, which used to be employed, are reduced to great Poverty, and become burdensome to their several Parishes: And praying the House to consider of such Methods as they shall think proper, for restoring and opening the Trade to *Flanders*, as the only Means to prevent the Calamities which otherwise must befall the Petitioners.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to examine what has been done upon the former Laws against the Exportation of Wool; and for the encouraging the Woollen Manufacture.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of *Hallifax*, and adjacent Parts, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Importation of our Woollen Manufactures was, on the 1st of April last, prohibited in the *Spanish Netherlands*, where they have set up a Manufacture, and give great Encouragement for the Carrying of it on, to the great Damage of our Woollen Trade; the high Duties in *England* upon their Linens, and the Prohibition of their Bone-lace, being the Occasion thereof: And . . . . . the House to take it into Consideration, That no further Prejudice may happen to the Cloathing Trade of *England*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Clothiers of *Salisbury* is referred.

A Petition of Captain *John Le Wright*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner hath 1,300*l.* to be adjusted, as a Subaltern Officer, by the Agents of the Lord *Cutts* and Colonel *Seymour*'s Regiments, and, for himself and Company, for the time he served as Captain in Colonel *Buchan*'s Regiment; since which he has not only distinguished himself in the Service abroad, but particularly in the Assassination Plot, by taking *Charnock* by a Warrant from his Majesty: And praying, That his Services may be considered, and his Accounts adjusted.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred.

A Petition of *George Pindar*, and others, in behalf of themselves, and others, disbanded Soldiers, lately belonging to the Regiment of Dragoons commanded by the Honourable Colonel *Edward Leigh*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is due to the Petitioners about 18*l.* a Man for Subsistence, besides the Balance of their Arrears; for which they applied themselves to their Officers, who bid them take their Course: That when their Officers heard the Regiment was to be broke, they made the Petitioners fuddled, and then compelled them to sign a Paper of they knew not what, threatening those that would not sign it; and, when they were disbanded, took the Petitioners Horses and Accoutrements from them, and made Stoppages out of their Subsistence for Saddles, Bridles, Boots, Carbines, &c. which ought, by the Establishment, to be stopped out of their Cloathing; by which, and many other unjust Dealings, the Petitioners and their Families labour under very great Hardships: And praying the House to

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give such necessary Orders for their Payment, as may relieve them against the unreasonable Accounts of their Officers.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred.

Tythes of  
Hemp and  
Flax.

A Petition of the Hemp and Flax-dressers in the County of *Warwick*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in the 3d Year of his Majesty's Reign, an Act of Parliament passed for ascertaining the Tythes of Hemp and Flax, not exceeding 4s. per Acre; which Act being expired, the Parsons, Vicars, and Impropriators, are so unreasonable in their Demands for Tythes, that the Petitioners cannot employ the Poor as before the Expiration of the said Act: And praying, That the said Act may be revived.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for reviving the said Act: And that Sir *John Mordant* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Dover  
Harbour.

A Petition of the Commissioners for the Repair of *Dover* Harbour, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Harbour is of great Importance to this Kingdom, not only in time of War, where a few Ships may command all Trade passing the narrowest Part of the Channel, and the Place where the Royal Navy, when in the *Downs*, takes in Provisions; the only Victualling Office between *Chatham* and *Portsmouth* being at *Dover*; but also in time of Peace is a safe Harbour for Ships in Distress, which hath often happened; and the rather, because the *French* King is now, with all Diligence and Expence, making a Harbour at *Calais*, the nearest opposite Port to *Dover*: And praying the Consideration of the House, That some Methods may be taken for the Repair and Preservation of the said Harbour; which is so far run to decay, that, without the Assistance of the House, it will be irrecoverably lost.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same to the House, with their Opinion what is necessary to be done thereupon:

And it is referred to Sir *James Orendon*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Sir *Steph. Lenard*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Brewer*, Colonel *Churchill*, Mr. *Mitchell*, Mr. *How*, Colonel *Lee*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *Jacob Baunck*, Lord *Cornbury*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Duke*, Mr. *Poultney*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Sir *Clo. Shovell*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Sargason*, Mr. *Foster*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *Geo. Rook*, Sir *Wm. Thomas*, Mr. *Aylmer*, Mr. *Greenhill*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Nicholson*, Mr. *Bristow*, Captain *Clayton*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Sir *Tho. Frankland*, Mr. *Yates*, Sir *Robert Cotton*; and all for *Kent*, and the Cinque Ports: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Debtors  
Petition.

A Petition of the poor Prisoners for Debt in the Gaol of *Morpeth*, in the County of *Northumberland*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a great Number of poor Prisoners in the said Gaol for Debt, who are unable to help themselves: But, being informed, there is a Bill in the House for Relief of poor Prisoners, the Petitioners pray, they may be included within the Benefit of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Prisoners of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* is referred.

Vagrants.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants, and sending them whither by Law they ought to be sent: And that Mr. *Cooke* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of the Aldermen and Burgesses of *Bury St.*

*Edmonds*, in the County of *Suffolk*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the making and keeping navigable the River *Lark*, alias *Burn*, would be a means to employ great Numbers of poor People, and improve Trade and Commerce, by affording an easy Communication between *Bury* and *Lynn Regis* by Water, and furnishing the Petitioners, and Places adjacent, with Fuel, and Sea Coal, from *Lynn*, and other merchantable Commodities: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for making the said River navigable to the River *Ouze*.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Harvey* and Sir *Robert Davers* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of the Victuallers, and divers of the Inhabitants, of the Town of *Harwich* in the County of *Essex*, in behalf of themselves, and others, Inhabitants of the said Town, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there now remains due to the Petitioners the Sum of 330*l.* and upwards, for Quarters for sick and wounded Seamen, set on shore from divers of his Majesty's Ships of War since the Year 1694: That most of the Petitioners are reduced to great Poverty, for want of what is due to them; and have often made Application to the Commissioners for the sick and wounded Seamen for their said Money; but can have no Relief therein: And praying, That their Case may be taken into Consideration; and that speedy Orders may be given, for the Payment of what is due to them.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses, of the Borough of *Portsmouth* in the County of *Southampton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Harbour of *Rye* is the only Harbour for Ships the *English* have, upon the Coast of *Kent* and *Sussex*, from *Dover* to *Southampton*, which is above a Hundred Miles by Sea; and many Ships have been saved by putting in there from Storms, and Stress of Weather: Besides, the said Harbour lies opposite to *Diep*, and several other considerable Ports of *France*, and Ships of War, of considerable Strength, used to ride there, to be ready to go in and out at any time, to hinder *French* Privateers from infesting our Coast: But now the said Harbour is so decayed, that it will not entertain above Twenty small Ships, which formerly would have received the whole Navy Royal; which is occasioned by the Inning of Land, and making Flood-gates and Cross-walls; and that yearly, by the stopping the Slubb in the Harbour, the same grows worse and worse; so that, in a few Years, a Ship of Burden will not be able to come in there, to the great Damage of Navigation and Trade; unless there be some care taken, that the Flood-gates and Cross-walls may be taken away, so as the Tide may flow and reflow as formerly: And praying, That the House will take some Course for restoring the said Harbour to its ancient Goodness, that so considerable a Harbour, for the Benefit of the whole Nation, may not be totally lost.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Town of *Rye* is referred.

A Petition of *Wm. Monson*, *Wm. Thompson*, Esquires, and others, on the behalf of themselves, and the rest concerned with them in a Lease from Sir *Tho. Grosvenor* Baronet, a Member of this House, of certain Lead Mines, and *Halken Mountaine*, in the County of *Flint*, was presented to the House.

And Sir *Thomas Grosvenor* being not in the House; *Ordered*, That Sir *Tho. Grosvenor* do attend in his Place upon *Thursday* Morning next: And that the Petition be then read.

A Bill

Justices of  
Peace Quali-  
fication.

A Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday Morning next*, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

Irregularity  
of an Election  
by Death of  
returning  
Officer.

A Petition of *John Davy* Esquire, High Sheriff of the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House; setting forth, That he having, pursuant to the Writ to him directed, sent his Precept to the Mayor and Burgesses of *Clifton-Dartmouth* and *Hardnesse*, for electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough, in the Room of *Sir Joseph Herne*, deceased; and delivered the same to Mr. *Whitrow*, the Mayor, who proclaimed the Day for the said Election, but died before the Day appointed; and that the Burgesses and Freemen, notwithstanding, proceeded to the Election; and some of them returned *Nath. Herne* Esquire, by one Indenture; and others returned *Rowland Holt* Esquire, by

another Indenture: And praying the Direction of the House, whether both, or which of the Two Indentures he ought to return to the Clerk of the Crown; or whether he can return either of them, they not coming to his Hands by the proper Officer, who died after Proclamation made, and before the Election.

*Ordered*, That the Sheriff be directed, according to his Duty, to make a Return of his Writ.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon To-morrow Supply. Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. *Loundes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of the Charges by the Duplicates; and what the Produce of the several Counties of *England* and *Wales* was to the First Aid of Three Shillings in the Pound; and also of the First and last Quarterly Poll: And the Title thereof was read:

And the said Account is affixed here.

The said ACCOUNT of the Charge by the Duplicates; and what the Produce of the several Counties of *England* and *Wales* was to the First Aid of 3*s.* in the Pound; and also, of the First and Last Quarterly Poll.

THE SEVERAL COUNTIES.	The First Aid of 3 <i>s.</i> in the Pound upon Land, granted 8 <sup>o</sup> <i>Willi.</i>					First Quarterly Poll, granted 3 <sup>o</sup> et 4 <sup>o</sup> <i>Willi. et Marie.</i>					Third Quarterly Poll, granted 9 <sup>o</sup> et 10 <sup>o</sup> <i>Willi.</i>				
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Memorandum. The Accounts for the Counties of *Breton* and *Radnor* for the last Poll, as also for *Denbigh*, *Flint*, *Montgomery*, *Carmarvon*, *Anglesey*, and *Merioneth*, for the same Poll, and the First 3*s.* Aid, are not yet made up or stated.  
H. m. Lowndes,

Ordered,

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Army  
Affairs.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of the Money remaining due to the several Officers, Ministers, and Attendants on his Majesty's Train of Artillery, employed in the Reducing of *Ireland*, from the 20th of *June* 1689, to the 30th of *April* 1692, both Days inclusive.

And the Title thereof was read.

And the said Account is in a Book by itself.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Account be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to

Mr. *Harley*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Ease of Sheriffs in passing their Accounts, and Execution of their Offices: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Blathwaite*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of all Vacancies, which have happened in the Army since the Half-pay was established; and how they have been supplied.

And the Title thereof was read:

And the said ACCOUNT is as followeth;

Vacancies.	How supplied.
	Royal Regiment of Horse:
Lieutenant <i>Geo. Mortimer</i> : Dead February 1697.	By Cornet <i>Cha. Stanley</i> , of the same Regiment; who was succeeded by <i>Andr. Windsor</i> , a Cornet upon Half-pay in Colonel <i>Windsor's</i> late Regiment.
	Brigadier <i>Windham's</i> Regiment:
Major <i>Henry Foubert</i> : Quitted his Troop February 97.	By <i>Fran. Strickland</i> , Captain Lieutenant; who was succeeded by Lieutenant <i>Geo. Robinson</i> ; he by Cornet <i>Geo. Hall</i> ; all of the same Regiment; and the Vacancy of Cornet filled up by <i>Wm. Windham</i> , who served as a Volunteer in the Regiment in <i>Flanders</i> .
	First Regiment of Foot Guards:
Lieutenant <i>The. Seymour</i> : Quitted March 97.	By <i>William Barrell</i> .
Ensign <i>Dancy</i> : Quitted March 97.	By <i>Valentine Ryces</i> .
	Colonel <i>Collingwood's</i> Regiment:
Ensign * *: Dead April 98.	By <i>Edward Atkinson</i> .
	Second Troop of Guards:
Captain <i>John Devenish</i> , Exempt: Quitted May 98.	By his Brother <i>Henry Devenish</i> .
Captain <i>James Butler</i> , Exempt: Quitted June 1698.	By <i>William Hussey</i> , a Brigadier of the same Troop; who was succeeded by the Adjutant <i>William Theophilus Wildgoose</i> ; and <i>Roger Mycod</i> made Adjutant.
	1st Regiment of Foot Guards:
Lieutenant Colonel <i>Wilson</i> : Quitted June 1698.	By Lieutenant <i>Tho. Hussey</i> ; who was succeeded by Ensign <i>Rich. Davenant</i> , both of the same Regiment; and the Ensign's Place was supplied by <i>Nathanael Hussey</i> .
Lieutenant <i>Hen. Lupincott</i> : Dead July 1698.	By Captain <i>William Berry</i> , lately disbanded.
	Coldstream Regiment of Foot Guards:
Ensign <i>John Whitehall</i> : Quitted July 98.	By <i>William Bradbury</i> :
	Major General <i>Earl's</i> Regiment:
Captain <i>Wm. Cadogan</i> : Removed to Colonel <i>Echlyn's</i> Dragoons in <i>Ireland</i> , August 1698.	By Colonel <i>Freke</i> , Lieutenant Colonel, and upon Half-pay, in the Battalion of Major General <i>Earl's</i> Regiment, disbanded.
	Brigadier <i>Selwin's</i> Regiment:
<i>Ralph Payne</i> , Ensign: Dead October 98.	By <i>Robert Wandsbrough</i> , a reformed Ensign, upon Half-pay in Colonel <i>Brudenall's</i> Regiment.
	Brigadier <i>Trelawny's</i> Regiment:
Ensign * *: Dead January 1698.	By <i>Henry Devenish</i> , Ensign, upon Half-pay in Colonel <i>Northcote's</i> late Regiment.
	Royal Regiment of Dragoons:
Cornet <i>Marsh</i> : Dead.	By <i>John Farnham</i> , upon Half-pay, as Ensign in Colonel <i>Northcot's</i> late Regiment.
	Major General <i>Lumley's</i> Regiment:
<i>John Rouse</i> , Captain Lieutenant: Dead February 1698.	By Lieutenant <i>Patrick Lisle</i> ; who was succeeded by Cornet <i>Tho. Sterrop</i> , of the same Regiment; and his Commission supplied by <i>Edward Clarke</i> .
	Duke of <i>Schonberg's</i> Regiment:
Lieutenant <i>Convers</i> : Dead February 98.	By Cornet <i>Clauds Tetefolle</i> of the same Regiment; who was succeeded by <i>John Clark</i> .
	1st Troop of Horse Guards:
Earl of <i>Scarborough</i> : Quitted March 97.	By the Earl of <i>Albemarle</i> .



Vacancies.	How supplied.
<i>Wm. Taylor</i> , Sub-Brigadier : Quitted March 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ .	3d Troop of Guards : By <i>Charles Dakin</i> , a private Gentleman of the Troop.
Lieutenant <i>Odiarne</i> : Dead March 99.	Colonel <i>Wood's</i> Regiment : By Cornet <i>John Pitt</i> of the same Regiment; and succeeded by <i>William Ashby</i> the Adjutant, lately disbanded.
Earl of <i>Westmorland</i> , Guydon : Dead April 99.	First Troop of Guards : By the Lord <i>Lovelace</i> , upon Half-pay, as Captain in Colonel <i>Windsor's</i> late Regiment.
Captain <i>d'Agar</i> , Exempt : Dead April 99.	2d Troop of Guards : By <i>John Walkenden</i> , a Brigadier; and succeeded by <i>John Denty</i> , a Sub-Brigadier of the same Troop.
Captain <i>Jacob Burr</i> : Quitted May 99.	Colonel <i>Colingwood's</i> Regiment : By <i>Humphrey Corey</i> , disbanded, and upon Half-pay in Colonel <i>Brudnall's</i> late Regiment.
Lieutenant Colonel <i>Williams</i> : Dead May 99.	Colonel <i>Lloyd's</i> Regiment. By Major <i>Francis Gore</i> , of the same Regiment; who was succeeded by Captain <i>Henry Kelly</i> , the eldest Captain; and Lieutenant Colonel <i>Williams's</i> vacant Troop given to Captain <i>Walter Leveson</i> , upon Half-pay, as Captain of One of the Troops of that Regiment lately disbanded.
Cornet <i>John Westrop</i> : Dead May 99.	By Cornet <i>Lloyd</i> , of the Earl of <i>Essex's</i> Regiment; whose Place was supplied by Cornet <i>Phillips</i> , upon Half-pay, as reduced in One of the Two disbanded Troops of the Regiment.
Ensign <i>Traherne</i> : Dead May 99.	Brigadier <i>Trelawny's</i> Regiment : By <i>Edward Harris</i> , an Ensign in One of the Companies of that Regiment, disbanded, and upon Half-pay.
Ensign <i>Pelotiers</i> : Quitted May 99.	Major General <i>Churchill's</i> Regiment : By <i>William Forbes</i> , a reformed Lieutenant of Colonel <i>Geo. Hamilton's</i> Regiment.
* <i>Gally</i> , Chaplain : Quitted April 99.	Earl of <i>Macclesfield's</i> Regiment : By <i>Thomas Sandys</i> .
Lieutenant Colonel <i>Yelverton</i> : Dead June 99.	1st Regiment of Foot Guards : By Colonel <i>Geo. Villiers</i> , Colonel of a Regiment of Foot lately disbanded.
Lieutenant Colonel <i>Christopher Codrington</i> : Quitted.	By Lieutenant Colonel <i>John Newton</i> , on Half-pay, as Lieutenant Colonel to Colonel <i>Seymour's</i> late Regiment of Foot.
Captain <i>Walkenden</i> , Exempt : Dead June 99.	2 Troop of Guards : By Captain <i>Byng</i> , a Brigadier in the same Troop; succeeded by Captain <i>Masclary</i> , a Sub-Brigadier; and he by <i>Peter Hardsty</i> , a private Gentleman of the Troop.
Captain <i>Harry Devenish</i> , Exempt : Quitted June 99.	2d Troop of Guards : To <i>Leonard Holmden</i> , a Brigadier; who was succeeded by <i>John Bridger</i> , a Sub-Brigadier; both of the same Troop.
<i>Wm. Fitz-Jeffrys</i> , Adjutant and Quarter-master : Dead June 99.	Royal Regiment of Horse : By <i>John Harcey</i> , Cornet and Adjutant, upon Half-pay in Colonel <i>Harcey's</i> Regiment.
<i>Nath. Bird</i> , Quarter-master : Dead.	By <i>William Williams</i> , a Quarter-master, upon Half-pay in Colonel <i>Harvey's</i> late Regiment.
The Colonel : Dead June 99.	Colonel <i>Collingwood's</i> Regiment : By Lieutenant Colonel <i>Fox</i> ; who is succeeded by Major <i>Broughton</i> ; and the Major by Captain <i>Musgrave</i> , the eldest Captain; all of the same Regiment; and the Colonel's vacant Company by Captain <i>Delaval</i> , Reformed Captains, upon Half-pay
Captain <i>Harbin</i> : Dead September 99.	By Captain <i>Hen. Lyons</i> , in Colonel <i>Holt's</i> late Regiment.
Captain <i>Forbes</i> : Dead September 99.	By Captain <i>Fr. Feulks</i> , a reformed Lieutenant, upon Half-pay in Colonel <i>Mordant's</i> Regiment.
Lieutenant <i>Adams</i> : Dead September 99.	By Lieutenant <i>Arthur Booth</i> , upon Half-pay in Colonel <i>Holt's</i> late Regiment.
<i>Thomas Bew</i> , Brigadier : Quitted October 99.	Third Troop of Guards : By <i>Francis Savage</i> , a Sub-Brigadier of the Troop.

Colonel

Vacancies.

How supplied.

Colonel Fox's Regiment:

*James Ruthin*, Captain Lieutenant:

Dead November 99.

Lieutenant *Thornton*:

Advanced to Captain Lieutenant November 99.

Lieutenant *Vize*:

Dead.

Ensign \* \*:

Dead.

Ensign \* \*:

Dead.

Ensign \* \*:

Dead.

By Lieutenant *Robert Thornton*, of the same Regiment.

By Lieutenant *Geo. Harrison*, upon Half-pay in Colonel *Holt's* late Regiment.

By Ensign *Degeou*, of the same Regiment; who was succeeded by *James Colyear*.

By Lieutenant *Wm. Cook*, of Colonel *Lillingston's* Regiment, lately disbanded.

By *Henry Brookes*.

By *Francis Tyrrell*.

1st Regiment of Foot Guards:

Lieutenant *Saurency*:

Quitted November 99.

By Ensign *Villeneuf*, of the same Regiment; who was succeeded by *Laurence St. Loe*.

Troop of Grenadier Guards:

*Henry Pagett*, Chaplain:

Quitted December 99.

By *John Brady*.

Coldstream Regiment of Guards:

Lieutenant *Hen. Catwrikte*:

Quitted December 1699.

By *Butler Ramsden*.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Westminster  
Small Debts.

Ordered, That the Bill for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience in the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof, be read a Second time upon *Friday* Morning next, in a full House.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii*, 10° die Januarii;

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Jobber's  
Half-pay.

A PETITION of *Francis Jobber*, late Cornet in the Regiment of Horse, formerly commanded by Colonel *Richard Hamilton*, and lately by Colonel *Coy*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner served several Years in the said Regiment, until the 9th of March 1695, when he was barbarously shot into the Body, whereby he was disabled from Service to the End of the War: And praying, That he may be admitted to have Half-pay for his Support.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Matter of Half-pay to the Officers of the Army be considered.

Army  
Arms.

A Petition of Captain *John Wildman*, late of Major General *Stewart's* Regiment, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner served in the said Regiment until the last of October 1697, at which time he was on the Muster Roll; and there was then due to the Petitioner, and his Company, above 600*l.* for Subsistence and otherwise; which the said Colonel *Stewart*, and Mr. *Weeks*, his Agent, keep from them; besides the Petitioner's Half-pay, which he thinks himself intitled to, being on the Muster Roll, as aforesaid; but he cannot get any Account of what is due to him from the said Agent, although often demanded: And praying, That the said Colonel or Agent may be compelled to give the Petitioner a general Account of his Subsistence and Clearings; and that he may be added to the List of Officers who are to have Half-pay.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they

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A Petition of the Mayor and Burgesses of the Borough of *Limington*, in the County of *Southampton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Harbour of *Rye* is a very commodious Harbour for Ships of War, and Merchant Ships, both in War and in Peace, and the only Harbour on the Coast of *Kent* and *Sussex* for above an Hundred Miles; but the same is so decayed by the Inning of Land, and making Flood-gates and Cross-walls, which stop the Flux and Reflux of the Tide, that, unless the same be taken away, the Harbour, which yearly grows worse and worse, is in Danger of being useless: And praying, That some Course may be taken to restore the said Harbour to its former Goodness.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Town of *Rye* is referred.

A Petition of *Thomas Shea*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in February last, he caused *Robert Cecill* Esquire to be arrested for 80*l.* who removed himself to the *Fleet*, and hath his free Liberty granted by the Warden of the *Fleet*; notwithstanding *Shea* is a responsible Man of 400*l.* per Annum, and would have paid the Petitioner, had he been confined: And praying Relief therein.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Journals for the last Session, what was done upon the Petition of *John Goodall*, and others, relating to the Abuses of the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of the High Sheriff, Deputy Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Gentlemen, Freeholders, and others, of the County of *Gloucester*, in behalf of themselves and others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the making Rivers navigable hath been always looked upon as a Work of great Advantage to the Publick: And there being a Bill in the House for making the River *Avon* from *Bristol* to *Bath*, navigable, the Petitioners pray, That the same may pass into a Law; it being for a general Good, and the Increase of Trade in those Parts.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard before the said Committee thereupon.

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A Petition

Rye  
Harbour.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

Avon  
Navigation.

Avon  
Navigation.

A Petition of the Inhabitants and Landholders of the Parishes of *Ditchet*, *Shepton Mallet*, and *Castle Cary*, near *Bath*, in the County of *Somerset*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill now depending in the House for making the River *Avon*, from *Bristol* to *Bath*, navigable, will be very prejudicial to the Petitioners, if it should pass, and no Advantage to the Publick: And praying to shew their Objections, by Counsel, against the same.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, Burgesses, and Inhabitants of the Borough and Town of the *Devizes*, in the County of *Wilts*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, if the Bill that is depending in the House, for making the River *Avon*, from *Bristol* to *Bath*, navigable, should pass as it now is drawn, it will be a great Wrong and Injury to the Petitioners, and no Advantage to the Publick: And praying, That they may be heard by their Counsel, what they have to object against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

Dorrell's  
Claim.

The Lord *Coningsby* acquainted the House, That, he having, according to Order, acquainted Colonel *Collumbine* with the Contents of the Petition of *John Dorrell* Gentleman, presented to the House the 11th of December last, Colonel *Collumbine* had sent an Answer in a Letter to him; which he delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; setting forth, That he referred to the Report from the Committee, to whom the Affair of the *Tower Hamlets* was referred, who were to examine Mr. *Dorrell's* Complaint against the Colonel in 1697; to which Report this House agreed: But Mr. *Dorrell*, being not satisfied therewith, addressed himself to the Treasury, and thence to the Officers at the Horse Guards; at all which Places it appeared to be no Debt due to *Dorrell* from the Colonel, but from Mr. *Maddox*, Agent of the Regiment, who has given him his Bond for the Money due to him: But *Maddox* broke about Three Months after, considerably in Debt to the Colonel, and the Regiment; so that there was no Occasion to promise Payment of any Sum to *Dorrell* before the said Committee, as he alleges in his Petition: But *Dorrell*, being sensible of his base Desertion of the Regiment in Time of Service, requested at that Committee, that the Colonel might not prosecute him as a Deserter; the which that the Colonel would not do, and that all the Service in his Power should be used for getting *Dorrell's* Money, was all that the Colonel ever promised, or was desired to do, either before the Committee, Treasury, or General Officers: And, as to that Part of *Dorrell's* Petition, wherein he mentions Arrears for his Service to be received by the Colonel, he says, there has been none paid; and that he never promised Payment thereof: But that, since the said Proceedings, Mr. *Dorrell* hath arrested him at Law; to which Action Bail is given; and *Dorrell* unjustly proceeds therein: And that, if what Account is here given be not satisfactory, he desires the Matter may be referred to a Committee; and that he may have Liberty and Time given him to come over from *Dublin*, to justify himself.

And the Journal of March 1697, relating to the said Mr. *Dorrell*, was also read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to a Committee, to examine whether Colonel *Collumbine* hath, since the said Report, received the Money due to the said Mr. *Dorrell*, and promised Payment thereof; and to report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Trelawney*, Lord *Coningsby*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr.

*Worsley*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Hughes*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Hurley*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Henley*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Howe*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Palmes*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Freht*, Mr. *St. Johns*, Mr. *Perry*, Mr. *Ireton*, Mr. *Lowther*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And are to give Colonel *Collumbine* Notice to make his Defence.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable his Majesty's natural-born Subjects to inherit the Estate of their Ancestors, either lineal or collateral, notwithstanding their Father or Mother were Aliens: And that Sir *Edward Hussey* and Mr. *Thursby* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Sir *Edward Stradling*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Ship *Martha* of *Margam* to trade as a free Ship: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

A Petition of *Thomas Austen* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the House having referred a Petition of *Robert Pellican* Gentleman, to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretence of Concealments and defective Titles is committed, upon Suggestion, That the Crown settled several Demesne Lands upon Trustees, to pay off himself and others, a Debt due for naval Stores and other Provisions; and that they shall be deprived of their Right to those Lands, if the said Bill should pass; the Petitioner shews, That his Ancestors purchased Part of the said Lands above 60 Years ago, for a valuable Consideration, from the said Trustees; and have enjoyed them ever since: And obtained several Dismissions of the Creditors Bills preferred in Equity against the Petitioner, about 30 Years since: And praying, That the said *Pellican's* Petition may not have any Countenance to obstruct the said Bill; and that the now Petitioner may be heard by Counsel before the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that they do hear the Petitioner, by his Counsel, thereupon.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petitions of the Soldiers are referred, who were to consider of the Case of the Soldiers in general, and what was fit to be done for their Relief, be made upon Friday Morning next.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Monday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

Mr. *Eyre*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the more effectual Execution of an Act, intituled, An Act to restore the Market at *Blackwell-hall* to the Clothiers, and regulating the Factors there, was committed, the Amendments, which they had made to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one: And, upon the Question severally put thereupon, several of them were agreed unto by the House.

Clause B being read a Second time, That all Clothiers shall, at the Milling of their Cloths, set a Seal at the Head-end of every Cloth, shewing the true Water-mark of every Cloth, in such Manner as is used on *Salisbury* Cloths, under a Penalty;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

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It passed in the Negative.

Then the rest of the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some Amendments to some of them, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That the Clothiers, or their Agents, shall have the same free Access to their Standings in the said Hall, as before the making of the Act; and the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Then an Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, Folio 2. l. 7, 8. to leave out "or to his Order" in the Clause for the Note to be given for the Cloth sold, and Money to be paid:

And the Question being put, That the said Words do stand Part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir Thomas Davall, } 186.  
                                  { Mr. Eyres: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Wynne, } 103.  
                                  { Mr. Bristow: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Twelve a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty: And that all other Business be then adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Jovis, 11<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Avon Navigation.

A BILL for making the Act, for making the River Avon navigable from Christ Church to the City of New Sarum, more effectual, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Mompesson, Sir Richard Farrington, Mr. Clark, Mr. Hunt, Sir Sam. Barnardiston, Mr. Burrard, Sir John Phillips, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Jarvis, Mr. Ro. Eyres, Mr. Egerton, Sir Ja. How, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Lowther, Mr. Yates, Sir Row. Gwyn, Mr. John Eyres, Mr. Machell, Sir Richard Onslow, Mr. Harley, Mr. Freke, Mr. Etterick, Lord Cornbury, Sir Jacob Banks, Mr. Gwynn, Sir Robert Edon; and all that serve for the Counties of Wilts and Southampton: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Ordered, That the Petitions, which were ordered to lie upon the Table until the said Bill was read a Second time, be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon: And that the Committee do take care, That timely Notice be given for that Purpose.

Newark Election.

Sir Rowland Gwyn, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the Borough of Newark in the County of Nottingham; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Upon the several Petitions of John Rayner Esquire, and the Inhabitants of Newark, complaining of an undue Election of Sir Francis Molineux Baronet to serve for the said Borough;

That, upon the First Poll delivered to the Petitioner, and signed by the Town Clerk, the Numbers stood thus:

For Sir Francis Molineux - - - 158.  
For Mr. Rayner - - - 146.

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But afterwards, the Petitioner had another Copy of the Poll delivered to him; on which the Numbers stood thus:

That for Sir Francis - - - 156.

For Mr. Rayner - - - 141.

However, the First Poll, at last, was admitted by the Sitting Member.

The Petitioners Counsel insisted, That 50 Persons, that had a Right of Voting, and would have voted for the Petitioner, were refused; which they ranked under these Qualifications; viz.

20, that were in the Poor's Book for 97, and 98.

3 others, who were rated for 98 only.

8 others, rated for 97, and fraudulently left out for 98.

15 others, neither in one Rate nor the other; but were

Men of Substance, and who ought to pay.

4 others, who did pay; but their Tenements were in others Names.

That the Petitioners Counsel also complained of the Partiality of the Mayor, Town Clerk, and others, concerned in the said Election.

That it was admitted, That by the Charter, which impowers the Corporation of Newark to send Members to Parliament, the Right of Election was in the Inhabitants paying, and which ought to pay, Scot and Lot.

That, as to the Partiality of the Mayor, Town Clerk, and others, in the said Election, the Petitioners Counsel called several Witnesses; viz.

Gilbert Cozens said, That he was at one Stow's the Day before the Election; where were present the Mayor, Alderman Snell, Mr. Morris, Mr. Read, and Mr. Ellis the High Sheriff, and Sir Francis Molyneux; and that the Mayor said to Sir Francis, Be not daunted; right or wrong, we will have you: And that Alderman Snell said, If the others had as many more, he should have it.

John Lee said, That Sir Francis' Friends had desired the said Lee to be for him; but, having promised Mr. Rayner, he offered his Vote for him, and was put by.

Rich. Snow said, That the Mayor, at the Election, took hold of him, and said, He was glad to see him, he having promised to vote for Sir Francis Molineux; and the Mayor then told him he had a good Vote: But, after he had declared he was for Mr. Rayner, the Mayor said, He had no Vote; and bid the Officers turn him down: Which they threatened to do, if he did not go down willingly: That he lived in Part of a House not inhabited by any body else; had a Shop in the Market-place; and paid Scot and Lot, both in respect of his Habitation and Stock; and had voted before for Sir Richard Erle.

William Cork, Rich. Cook, John Clayton, Paul Hare, John Robinson, Rob. Wootton, William Pace, being severally examined, said, They had been solicited by the Mayor, Sir Francis Molineux, Mr. Morris, and one or more of the Aldermen, to give their Votes for Sir Francis Molineux and Mr. Saunderson; yet, when they came to poll, and voted for Mr. Rayner, they were told, They had no Vote, and turned down by the Order of the Mayor, Town Clerk, Alderman Snell, Alderman Morris, Mr. Ellis, and Doctor Yarborough, or some of them, who all concerned themselves in a very partial Manner for the Sitting Member, Sir Francis Molineux; and were also further affronted by their Officers: And the several Persons, so refused, declared, That they lived in distinct Tenements, and paid Scot and Lot; but Clayton acknowledged, he was excused from the Window Tax, upon his Oath, That he did not live in an entire House.

Richard Parker said, That, at the Time of the Election, he heard Alderman Snell say, That he, that did not vote aright, should have Shackles, and Fetters, and Incumbrances.

Bryan Cumberland said, That Mr. Snell, the Town Clerk, and he, met, and went to an Alehouse: That, upon the said Cumberland's telling the said Town Clerk That he heard Mr. Rayner stood fair, the Town Clerk said, No Matter; let him have the Majority never so much, Mr. Saunderson and Sir Francis Molineux must be returned at this time.

Wm. Glover junior said, That one Hacker asking Mr. Morris,



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*Morris*, What he thought of the Election; the said *Mr. Morris* answered, Do not fear; all our Party shall have Votes.

*Tho. Hackenfield* said, He was at the Election, and would have polled: Whereupon they asked him, Who he was for: And the said *Hackenfield* answering for *Mr. Sanderson*, then they asked him, Who he was for else: And the said *Hackenfield* answering, For *Mr. Rayner*, they bid him go down; for he had no Vote: Though the Collector then said, He was in the Church Books; and, in fact, he had paid Scot and Lot about 9 Years, and had voted for *Sir Francis* against *Sir Richard Erle*: However, he acknowledged, that *Richard Bakeman* lived under the same Roof; but he said, his was a distinct Dwelling; and each of them had a Door.

*Mr. Robert Banks* said, He went into the Chamber to give his Vote; and, at the Door, he met with *Doctor Yarborough*, who said to him, Damn you! what do you come for? Take the Oaths: Whereupon *Banks* offered to take the Oaths; but they thrust him away: And *Doctor Yarborough* did run his Cane at him; so he was forced to go away without polling, though he has paid Scot and Lot 18 Years, and is a Housekeeper, and had voted for *Sir Francis Molineux* at 2 or 3 former Elections; and, at this time, *Doctor Yarborough* had sent to him, to desire his Vote for *Sir Francis*.

*Barth. Martin* said, That he was at the Place of Election, and had his Vote; but there was one *Hall*, who paid Scot and Lot, turned down by *Alderman Ellis*, then High Sheriff, without being permitted to give his Vote; and the Reason the said *Mr. Ellis* gave for it, was, That he had had his Tryal before. It was acknowledged, That the Chamber was full; and *Sir John Bolles* and *Mr. Clerk* were there on the behalf of *Mr. Rayner*.

*Robert Pocklington* said, He was denied his Vote; and told, It was so agreed by the Company; though he had been a Trader 27 Years, and pays Scot and Lot, and has borne all Offices in the Borough, but those of Mayor and Alderman, and was never denied before: That though *Alderman Morris* before had importuned him to be for *Sir Francis Molineux*, they now thrust him down; and told him, He was an Inmate; though he paid 10 *l.* a Year for his Dwelling and Shop, and 40 or 50 *l.* a Year for Lands besides: That he had lived where he now does these 5 Years; but acknowledged, That *Samuel Wilson* lived in the Back Part of his House.

*John Bransdale* said, That there was Three of them working for *Alderman Ellis* the Day before the Election: The said *Bransdale* said, He did not pay to Church and Poor; but *Mr. Ellis* desired their Votes for *Sir Francis Molineux*; and told them, He could not tell but if they would vote for *Sir Francis*, they might have a Right; and accordingly, the said *Bransdale* said, he was permitted to vote for *Sir Francis Molineux*.

*Bernard Wilson*, *John Hobman*, said, That they were in the Chamber, where they did see a great many of *Mr. Sanderson* and *Mr. Rayner's* Friends turned down; and, at the same time, those that voted for *Sir Francis Molineux* were treated fairly. *Wilson* further said, That he complained to *Mr. Hewet* of it; and *Mr. Hewet* threatened to break his Head; and that *Mr. Rayner* himself was thrust down Stairs.

That the Petitioners Counsel also insisted, That some indirect Practice had been in the making and delivering out of the Poors Rate; and called *John Hobman*, who said, That the usual Time for delivering out of the Poors Book was about *Midsummer*: And *Gabriel Alby*, who was Overseer for 98, said, He did not receive the Poors Rate till the Morning of the Election; and that it was signed by the Justices that Morning: But the said *Alby* did not see it signed; but it was dated, as signed by the Justices, the 4th of June: But nothing else was made out further, with respect to that Matter.

As to the 20 Persons, insisted on by the Petitioners Counsel to be in the Poors Rate, as well for the Years 97, as 98, and refused to be polled; it did appear, That

*Mr. Banks*, *John Booth*, *John Leeson*, *James Wharton*, *Tho. Hopkinson*, *Rich. Cook*, *Jo. Doubleday*, *John Farley*, *Rich. Lovet*, *Robert Pocklington*, *Mr. John Clayton*, *Ri. Heppinstall*, *Wm. Stevenson*, *John Comyns*, *Wm. Corke*, *John Lees*, *Steph. Martin*, *John Shackleton*, *Cha. Stratham*, *Wm. Elston*,

Were all severally charged to the Poor in 98, and most of their Names were found in the Rate for 97, also

As to the 4 Persons insisted on to have paid, though their Tenements were charged in others Names;

*Bernard Wilson* said, That *Robert Forckes* paid both in 1697, and 98, though his Mother's Name remains in the Books.

*Mr. Clark* said, He received of *Robert Forckes*, in his own Name and Right, in 98.

That he received of *Robert Wootton*, though he is not named in the Books. And

*Robert Wootton* himself said, He paid to *Clark* in 98, for the Church and Poor, in his own Right; but believes, his Father *Fox's* Name only is in the Books, though they live in Two distinct Dwellings.

*Samuel Spragging* said, He received of *Wm. Pace* to the Poor in 98, though *John Pace's* Name is in the Book. And

*William Pace* himself said, That he paid to the Church and Poor 13 *s.* 4 *d.* in his own Right in 1698: That his Father paid Ten Years before, under the Title of *Stanger's* Name.

As to the Three charged only in 1698, it did appear, That

*Geo. Jackson*,  
*Paul Hare*,  
*Paul Hare*, } were charged to the Poor in 1698.

Though the Counsel, upon the Opening, alleged, There were 8 that were charged in 97, and fraudulently left out in the Poors Rate in 98; yet there was Evidence given only as to Seven; and it appeared, by the Book, That

*Mr. Snow*,  
*Mr. Robinson*,  
*Tho. Knight*, } were charged in 97.

But the Poors Book of 97, for one Part of the Town, not being produced; they called the then Collectors, *Mr. Clark* and *Mr. Spragging*, who said, They received of *Robert Hall* in 1697, for a little Close:

That *Francis Dixon* and *Nic. Gaddard* are in the Book for 97; but they could not receive of them, being poor:

That *Thomas Hackenfield's* Wife paid them.

As to the 15 others, insisted on to be left out of the Poors Rate fraudulently, the Petitioners Counsel called *Bryan Cumberland*, *B. Bilson*: Who said, That *Edward Pierson* rents about 38 *s.* a Year, and believe him able to pay; though cannot say he ever did:

That *Richard Poe*, being one of the Town Waits, lives as well as most in Town, and rents an House of 28 *s.* a Year:

That *Tho. Rawlins* is a Carpenter, has a good Trade, and lives in a House of 30 *s.* a Year; but could not say he ever paid:

That *John Ragsdale* is a labouring Man, and lives in a House of 15 *s.* a Year:

That *William Hilton* lives in a House of 21 *s.* a Year, believe him very able; but cannot say he ever did pay:

That *Henry Tuxford's* Rent is 20 *s.* a Year, is a Tapster; and believe him able to pay:

That *Tim. Jackson* is a Carpenter, and lives handsomely, in a House, at least, of 20 *s.* a Year:

That *John Wilson* is a Carpenter; and his House about 20 *s.* a Year:

That *John Holland* is a Flax-dresser, and maintains his Family very well:

That *Richard Naylor* is a Labouring-man, his House about 12 *s.* a Year; but could not say whether able:

That *Richard Alcock* is a Joiner by Trade, and lives very handsomely in a little House; but could not say whether he was able:

That *William Gabitas* lives in a House of 19 *s.* a Year; and believes him able:

That

That *Ro. Hoyes* is a Rope-maker; cannot tell his Rent; but they believe him able:

*Gilbert Cozens*, the Witnesses spake not to.

*Richard Hodson* was found in the Book for 98.

That, to prove, That the several Persons, above insisted on to have a Right, demanded their Poll, and were refused, the Petitioners Counsel called

*Bryan Cumberland*: Who said, He was in the Chamber where the Poll was taken, at the time of taking the Poll: That he could not say the Persons refused demanded to be polled in the Hearing of the Mayor; but, in his Hearing, they did: That the Mayor knew who they were for, and would presently bid them be put down; and, as they went down, he asked them, Who he was for:

And that 1. *Robert Banks*, 2. *John Booth*, 3. *John Leeson*, 4. *James Wharton*, 5. *Tho. Hopkinson*, 6. *Richard Cook*, 7. *John Doubleday*, 8. *John Farley*, 9. *Rich. Lovet*, 10. *Robert Pocklington*, 11. *John Clayton*, 12. *Ri. Hipinstall*, 13. *Will. Stevenson*, 14. *John Comyns*, 15. *Cha. Statham*, 16. *Will. Corke*, 17. *John Leeze*, 18. *Steph. Martin*, 19. *John Shackleton*, 20. *Wm. Elson*, 21. *Robert Fawkes*, 22. *Robert Wootton*, 23. *Wm. Pace*, 24. *Geo. Jackson*, 25. *Paul Hare*, 26. *Paul Hare*, 27. \* *Snow*, 28. \* *Robinson*, 29. *Ro. Hall*, 30. *Fra. Dixon*, 31. *Tho. Knight*, 32. *Nic. Goddard*, 33. *Tho. Hackensfeld*, 34. *Edward Pierson*, 35. *Richard Poe*, 36. *Tho. Rawlins*, 37. *Jo. Ragsdale*, 38. *Wm. Hilton*, 39. *Hen. Tuxford*, 40. *Richard Hodson*, 41. *Tim. Jackson*, 42. *Jo. Wilson*, 43. *Jo. Holland*, 44. *Richard Naylor*, 45. *Rich. Alcock*, 46. *Wm. Gabitas*, 47. *Robert Hoyes*, were severally in the Chamber, and would have polled for Mr. *Saunderson* and Mr. *Rayner*, or, at least, for Mr. *Rayner*; and were severally refused.

That the next thing the Petitioners Counsel proceeded on, was to take off 17, that were put down on the Sitting Member's Poll: And for that they called

Mr. *Peate*, Mr. *Clark*. Mr. *Peate* said, That he had been an Officer in 1697, and 98; and that he knew *Richard Kitchin*; and he did not pay; but was excused upon giving up the Accounts.

That *Thomas Sutton* was a Child, and received 1 s. 6 d. a Week for Charity, in 97:

That *Tim. Lilly* lives at *Kelham*, with his Father, about Two Miles off from *Newark*: That he took a House; but never brought his Family to it; and was discharged, for want of giving Security, the Year before the Election:

That *Christopher Surft* was not of Age, and an Apprentice; and they produced a Certificate, by which it appeared, he was baptized the 18 January 78:

Said, He was present in the Chamber during the whole Time of taking the Poll, and did not see *Richard Hunt*; but they entered his Name upon the Poll out of a Paper, that was given in.

*Edward Randolph* said, That he was in Company all the time of the Poll with *Rich. Hunt*, in the Bell Chamber; but he being for Mr. *Rayner*, and *Hunt* for Sir *Francis Molineux*, they both agreed not to come down; and they were locked up by the Sexton.

*Wilson* said, That the Mayor ordered him to take down *Hunt's* Name, though he did not see him there.

Mr. *Clark* said, That *John Cheesman* lives in the next Yard to him; and he never knew him to be a House-keeper: That he used to employ him to weed Woad; and, he believed, he never paid; and that he has been discharged the Town, by reason of his Poverty, since *Michaelmas*.

Mr. *John Hern*, Mr. *Wilson*: Who, or One of them, at least, testified, That they could not find \* *Billing's* Name in the Poors Book, either for 97 or 98: That the Rent of his House is 11 s. a Year:

That *Tho. Lupton* is not in the Poors Book: His Rent is 15 s. a Year:

That *Roger Hewet* is not in the Poors Book: His Rent 7 s. a Year; and he was excused his Rent for his Poverty, and had Charity, before the Election:

That *Scorer* is not in the Books; is Bell-man; and believes he may be able:

That *Francis-Bland* is not in the Books, and very poor: His Rent 8 or 9 s. a Year.

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*John Barnsdale* was present before the Committee; and said, He was not in the Book in 1698: Newark Election.

That *Roger Oxfringe* was in no Levy till 98:

That *Steph. Middlebanks* was in no Levy till 98: His Rent but 5 s. a Year, and he lives in an Alms-house now:

That *Robert White's* Rent is but 9 s. a Year; which they reckon not taxable:

That *Tho. Read's* House is but 18 s. a Year; and not rated till 98:

That *Wm. Gill's* Rent is but 10 or 11 s. a Year; and was not charged till 98.

And *Gill* himself was present, and said, He did not pay to Church and Poor before this Election: That Alderman *Hering* and Sir *Francis* desired his Vote: though he told his Master he had no Vote.

*William Wilson* said, He voted for Mr. *Rayner* and Mr. *Sanderson*; and they set him down for Sir *Francis Molineux*: That he heard Alderman *Snell* say, Right or wrong, Gentlemen, we will have it, speaking to all the Company.

To answer which Evidence, the Sitting Member's Counsel insisted,

That it would be hard to put the Sitting Member *ex-tempore* to justify so many Votes as the Petitioners had excepted to: But they said, They should very much rely upon an Agreement made by the Candidates at the time of the Election; which was to this Effect:

That none of the Candidates should be present; but there were to be Two Persons present on each Candidate's behalf, who were to determine, among themselves, what Persons were qualified to vote; and accordingly the Mayor was to direct the Clerk to set them down:

That none, who did not pay to Scot and Lot, should poll:

That none, who were paid for by the Parish, or received Alms, should have any Vote:

That only One Person should vote for One House.

They further insisted,

That the Place of Polling was the same as usual; viz. in the Chamber; and that now, as formerly, they came up Stairs to the Chamber; and, when they went away, were let down by a Ladder into the Church-yard.

That, if any Riot or Disorder was, it was begun by Mr. *Rayner*, and his Party.

As to the Riot, they called

*John Henly*, *John Scorer*: Who said, They were Constables at this Election. *Henly* said, The Poll was taken at the usual Place, in the Chamber over the South Porch: That now, as at other Elections, they went up a Pair of Stairs, and went from the said Chamber, by a Ladder, into the Church-yard. The said *Henly* and *Scorer* said, They were placed to keep the South Door of the Church: That, before the Church Doors were shut up, the Voters were generally let in; and they were appointed to keep out the Rabble: But, after the Poll was over, Mr. *Hern*, and others of Mr. *Rayner's* Party, encouraged by Mr. *Rayner* at the Head of them, joining with some others without, endeavoured, by Violence, to force open the Door; and pressed upon *Henly* and *Scorer* in a most violent Manner; and One threw a Stone at *Henly*, and hit him on the Neck: And *Scorer* said, His Arms were like to be pulled from his Body; and that several Persons whipped off their Cravats, and put themselves into a Posture of Fighting; and cried out, A *Rayner*!

*William Killinger* said, That, almost at the End of the Poll, he heard some say, That Sir *Francis Molineux*, and all there, should not come down alive: That *Joseph Gibson*, and several others that voted for Mr. *Rayner*, had their Cravats off, and Sticks in their Hands, before the Election was declared: That he voted for Sir *Fra. Molineux*; and, before he came to the Bottom of the Ladder, *Gunter* beat him off, and called him Villain and Rogue, because he voted for Sir *Fra. Molineux*; and that those for Mr. *Rayner* were not used so ill: That Stones were thrown into the Chamber before the Poll was ended, and others in the Market-place, when Sir *Francis* was in the Chair.

Mr. *John Clay* said, He was in the Chamber all the time of the Poll, except a Quarter of an Hour; and that he did not observe any illegal Proceedings.

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*Henly* said, That Sir *Francis Molineux* desired him to let Mr. *Smith* the Parson in at the North Door, there being a great Croud; but Mr. *Rayner* put his back against the Door, and said, if any let him in, he would break his Pate.

\* *Henly*, *Sam. Blunt*, Mr. *Jo. Stow*, said, That one *Farrer* going up Stairs to the Chamber to vote, Mr. *Rayner* held up his Cane at him, and would not let him go up, telling him, He had no Vote: And *Blunt* said, Mr. *Rayner* struck at *Farrer*, and called him a Son of a Whore, though he did not observe any Provocation given for it.

As to the Agreement;

Mr. *Clay*, Mr. *Read*, *James Potter*, Mr. *Clarke*, said, That it was agreed before the Poll, that none should have Votes but what were in the Town's Book of Assessment to the Poor:

That such as received Parish Collection should have no Vote:

And that there should be no more than One Vote for One House, according to the late Act of Parliament.

And this Agreement was made by those they called the Triers, no One of them opposing it; and the Triers were Two Persons appointed on behalf of each Candidate, to see Things fairly carried on; none of the Candidates themselves being in the Chamber where the Poll was taken: And that, accordingly, they believed, several that lived Two in a House, who were for Sir *Francis Molineux*, were turned down, without giving their Votes; and several were turned down, because they were not in the Assessment Books: And Mr. *Read* said, when the Poll was over, Mr. *Rayner* asked Sir *John Bolles*, how it went: And Sir *John Bolles* answering, He had lost it by Two, Mr. *Rayner* bid him proclaim the other Two.

As to those the Petitioner would have added to his Poll, the Sitting Member's Counsel insisted,

That they were generally Inmates, and others not of Ability: And for that they called several Witnesses.

*Gabriel Ally*, *Wm. Killinger*, *John Henly*: One or more of which gave the following Account:

That *John Booth* went about a begging, though he was upon the Books:

That *John Leeson's* Wife goes about a begging at *Christmas*, and such Times; and did so both before and since the Election.

*James Wharton* was not spoken to.

That *Tho. Hopkinson* lives in *Henry Reynold's* House, and has a Chamber there:

That *Richard Cook*, at the Time of the Election, lived in Part of Mr. *Hobman's* House: That it has been distinct several Years; but they go both into one Yard, to which they have but one Door; and make use of one Brewhouse:

That *John Doubleday* lived in a House of Mr. *Robert Eastland's*; where he had some Back-rooms; and they had but One common Door: But it was acknowledged he kept a Mercer's Shop, and had paid to Church and Poor, and borne Parish Offices:

That *John Farley* lived in Part of a House, with one Hall; but it was divided 12 Months before the Election; one being an Innkeeper, the other a Joiner:

That *Richard Lovet* tabled with *Richard Bradshaw*, a Weaver; but could not say whether he had paid to Church and Poor: Yet acknowledged, he was a Butcher, and had a Shop at a Distance from the House where he tabled:

That *Robert Pocklington* lived in a House with *Samuel Wilson*; and *Pocklington* was refused, because *Wilson* had voted: Yet acknowledged, that they were distinct Dwellings, and had been so One Year before the Election: That *Pocklington* rented a great deal of Ground; paid to Church and Poor; and had been Chamberlain of the Town.

As to \* *Clayton*, *Rich. Hippenstall*, *Wm. Stevenson*, *John Comyns*, *Cha. Statham*; there was no Answer.

That *William Cork* lived in Part of an House with *John Comyns*: That each go into one common Door, though

each had a Door to his Dwelling; and *Cork* kept a Shop: That *John Loe* lived only in Part of an House; but it has been divided as long as the Witness had known it; and he has a distinct Door:

That *Stephen Martin* was poor, and would not pay to the Poor; and was excused by the Justices:

That *John Shackleton* lives in a little Tenement in a Yard: But the Witness acknowledged, he received 2½ d. a Quarter of him:

That *William Elston* is very poor.

As to those charged in 1697, and not 98;

The Counsel insisted, That the Books were the Measure to go by; and no Fraud was proved: However it was testified by,

*Ally*, *Henly*, *Killingham*, That *Robinson's* Name was not in the Pours Rate, till after the Election; but he did, upon his Brother's Death, contract for his Brother's personal Estate; and hired the House some time before the Election: That he had Part of *George Wilkinson's* House, who did not vote:

That nothing was answered as to *Hall*:

That *Thomas Knight* lived with his Father; and his Father had a Vote:

That *Nicholas Goddard* was very poor, and nobody would trust him 2 d.:

That *Thomas Hackenfeild* and *Francis Dixon* were likewise very poor.

As to the Persons said to have paid, though the Tenements were charged in others Names;

It was testified, That *Robert Fawkes* is a Tabler, and lives with his Mother: and his Mother paid the Assessment in 98: But it was acknowledged he kept a Sadler's Shop 12 Months before the Election:

That *Robert Wootton* was an Inmate with his Father at the time of the Election; and said he neither did nor would pay:

That *William Pace* lived with his Father.

As to the Persons not admitted to poll, though in the Assessment for 98:

It was testified, That *Geo. Jackson* was a drunken idle rambling Fellow:

That *Paul Hare* senior, though he was in the Book, told the Overseers, he was not able to pay; and has a weekly Allowance, though the Witness could not say, at the time of the Election:

That *Paul Hare* junior lives with *Wm. Herring*; but the said *Paul Hare's* Dwelling was divided a Year or Two before the Election: And that they have Two Doors to the Street.

As to the 15 pretended to be fraudulently left out in 1698;

That *Edward Pierson's* Circumstances were very mean at the Time of the Election:

That *Richard Poe* is able to pay:

That *Thomas Rawlins* is a Carpenter, but a mean Man, newly come out of his Time:

That *John Radsgale* was poor, and his Mother and he lived in One Room:

That *Wm. Hilton* is an Inmate, and rents a Room of 10 s. a Year of Mr. *Rawson*:

That *Henry Tuxford* was a Tapster, and lives in a little dark Place.

*Richard Hodson* was found in the Pours Book; but said to be a very poor Man:

That *Timothy Jackson* was very poor, and not able to pay; and his Goods were lately seized for Rent:

That *John Wilson* is run away, and was very poor at the Time of the Election.

That *John Holland* is so poor, that, if he was dead, his Wife must beg:

That *Richard Naylor* was the shallowest Creature in the whole World:

That *Richard Alcock* was the same:

That *Wm. Gabitas* and *Robert Hoyes* were poor, and not able to pay:

That then the Sitting Member's Counsel proceeded to the Justification of the 18 Votes, that were excepted to by the Petitioner: As to whom.

*Ally*,

*Alby, Killinger, Henley*, or one of them gave the following Evidence:

1. That *Richard Kitchin* did pay in 98; is a Grasier; and was taxed for his Employ, returning about 1,000 *l.* which was in Hogs:
  2. That it was acknowledged, That *Tho. Sutton* had 8*d.* a Week Collection for his Child:
  3. That *Timothy Lilly* paid the King's Assessment for a Malt-house he took in *Newark*; which he soon after left, because he did not thrive upon it: And the Witness could not say that he had lain at *Newark*.
  4. It was admitted that *Christopher Smith* was not of Age:
  5. That *John Cheesman* rented a House, which he left but last *Lady-day*: That he did not receive Collection in 98: but has since.
  6. They could not say, *Billings'* Name was in the Poors-rate for 98; said, he had been married to a Widow about 4 Years, and drove a pretty Trade:
  7. 8. 9. 10. That *Tho. Lupton, Roger Hewet, Francis Bland*, were allowed to be very poor; and they, as well as *John Scorer*, not to be in the Poors Book.
  - 11, 12, 13, 14, 15. That *John Barnsdale, Roger Oxspring*, and *Steph. Middlebrook, Tho. Read*, and *William Gill*, were all able to pay the Poor; and *Oxspring* had voted all along.
  16. *Roger White* said, He did pay to the Poor; and had paid before the Election.
  17. As to *William Willson's* Vote; it rested upon the Poll, and the Evidence given by the Petitioner.
- Then the Sitting Member's Counsel took Exception to Twelve of the Petitioners Voters: But the Witnesses spoke but to Eleven.
- Henry Alby* and *Killiner*, or one of them, testified, That *Hutchinson, Wilson*, and another, live all in one House:
- That *Matth. Armstrong* lives with another Person; and his Children beg.
- That *John Bellamy* is past his Work, and very poor:
- That *Tho. Greggs* is an Inmate with one *Burton*:
- That *William Brown* is a Maltster; but his Wife goes a begging at *Christmas*:
- That *John Booth* goes a begging every Day:
- That *John Drew's* Wife and Girl go a begging every Day.
- That *John Bridgman* is very poor:
- That *Richard Arnold* lives in Part of *Hobland's* House, but asunder:
- That *James Goddard* is poor, and goes about with Nails:
- That *John Clark* is an Inmate with one *Lamb*:

Then the Petitioner's Counsel, by way of Reply, called *Mr. Alexander Clark*: Who said, He was present at the Election and an Inspector, with *Sir John Bolles* for *Mr. Rayner*. He acknowledged, it was agreed amongst them, That none should poll, but such as paid Scot and Lot, according to the Charter; and that none should vote, that received Collection. As to the Third Point, That there should be but One Vote for One House; he said, the Act in that Case was brought before them; but he did not know of any particular Agreement relating to the Matter. And he said, After the Election, the People were in a great Outrage, because they thought themselves abused: And *Mr. Rayner* desired them to be quiet; and said, he would see to do himself and them Right; and did not agree to the Return.

*Sir Matthew Jenson* said, That, after the Poll was over, he apprehended, that Alderman *Snell* endeavoured to get a Consent from *Mr. Rayner*; but *Mr. Rayner* said, He would consent to nothing: And that he was in the Church, and *Mr. Hewet* came down, and said, He believed they would knock *Sir Francis Molineux* on the Head.

The Petitioner, to justify the Votes excepted to by the Sitting Member, called

*Sam. Spragging*: Who said, That *John Hutchinson* paid Scot and Lot at the time of the Election:

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That *Matth. Armstrong* is on the Book to the Poor; but is excused to the Church, being a Ringer; Newark Election.

That *John Bellamy* was in the Poors Book for 98:

That *William Brown* paid in 98; and he never knew any of his Family beg.

That *John Booth* has paid in 1698; but acknowledged, that he has begged some Years, both before and after the Election:

That *John Drewry* paid in 98; but acknowledged, his Children did beg:

That *John Bridgman* paid in 98; and is a House-keeper:

That *Richard Arnold* senior paid in 98; and has paid for Two Years; goes into his Dwelling-house at one common Door; but has a distinct Tenement:

That *James Goddard* has paid in 98; and is an House-keeper:

That *John Clark* junior has paid in 98; and is a Housekeeper; but could not say, if more in the same House:

*John Clark* said, That *Thomas Gregg* is charged; and is at present a Head Churchwarden: and hath not been denied a Vote these 10 Years.

And, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That all the Inhabitants within the Borough of *Newark upon Trent*, in the County of *Nottingham*, who pay, or ought to pay, Scot and Lot within the said Borough, have a Right to vote at the Election of a Member to serve in Parliament for the said Borough.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Sir Francis Molineux* Baronet is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Newark*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *John Rayner* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Newark*.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, after the Word "That," to insert "the Mayor, Aldermen, and;"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That the Mayor, Aldermen, and all the Inhabitants within the said Borough of *Newark upon Trent*, in the County of *Nottingham*, who pay, or ought to pay, Scot and Lot within the said Borough, have a Right to vote at the Election of Members to serve in Parliament for the said Borough.

The Second and Third Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the Crown do attend this House To-morrow Morning, to amend the Return for the said Borough, by rasing out the Name of *Sir Francis Molineux* Baronet, and inserting the Name of *John Rayner* Esquire, instead thereof.

*Ordered*, That *Edward Hobson*, late Mayor of the Borough of *Newark*, in the County of *Nottingham*, for his irregular Proceedings at the Election for the said Borough, be taken into Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Sir Rowland Gayn* also, according to Order, reported, from the said Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the Borough of *Newport* in the Isle of *Wight*; and the Resolution of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Upon the Petition of *John Acton* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election, and Return, of *Henry Greenhill* Esquire to serve for the said Borough.

That



Newport  
(Isle of  
Wight)  
Election.

That the Right of Election was agreed to be in the Mayor, Aldermen, and capital Burgesses :

That, upon the Poll, there was,

For the Sitting Member - - - 12.

For the Petitioner - - - 10.

But the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That the Sitting Member's Votes were gained by Promises of Places, and by sending great Quantities of Junk, to be made into Oakum by the poor People of *Newport*; which, the Petitioner's Counsel alleged, was on Purpose to gain himself Votes; which, they conceived, would vacate the Sitting Member's Election: And to make good the said Allegations, they called several Witnesses :

Mr. *Mathews*: Who said, Mr. *Greenhill*, the Sitting Member, being but little known in *Newport*, made use of Mr. *Smith's* Interest, who was Clerk of the Rope-yard: And that Mr. *Smith*, before the Election of my Lord *Cutts* and Sir *Robert Cotton*, to serve for the said Borough, did propose Mr. *Greenhill*; and that, if they would vote for Mr. *Greenhill*, he would employ the poor of *Newport*, by sending over Junk: That Mr. *Smith* particularly pressing him, the said *Mathews*, he answered, He would be for him, if he could get a Recommendation from the Lord *Cutts*: And it was discoursed how to engage the Mayor, and the Corporation; and it was proposed to engage the then Mayor, by helping his Son to a Purser's Place, from which he had been before discharged; and the Corporation was to be obliged, by sending Junk for the Poor to pick: That, after, he received a Letter from Mr. *Smith*, dated the 28 July 1698; and writ in these Words following; viz.

Dear Sir,

I most humbly thank you for the particular Service you have done me, in respect to Commissioner *Greenhill*, who is wonderfully pleased at the Letter you sent my Lord *Cutts*, on his behalf: He orders me to send his most humble Service to you, and let you know, That on Monday, about Four a Clock in the Afternoon, he will wait on, and give you his most hearty Thanks.

I am still to pray the Continuance of your Favour in this Affair; and that you will please to let Mr. Mayor know, that, for the Respect that is designed him by the Corporation, he will forthwith make his Son *John* Purser of a Third-rate Ship; an Employment now-a-days hard to be gotten: And for my Brother *Rookley*, upon your Request to him, on his behalf, will immediately proceed to get him a very good Post; and also will do you, and the Town, any other Service that shall be desired of him.

The Commissioner has this Day wrote to the Earls of *Orford* and *Scarborough*, to request of my Lord *Cutts* his Recommendation to your Corporation, according as I hinted to you; and I hope, in few Days, to hear a good Account of that Matter: However, whether the Commissioner does obtain his Ends, or not, he assures me, that his Zeal to serve the Town will be not a Jot the less; and that now he will forthwith employ all the Poor.

I most earnestly beg your best Endeavours to promote his Interest, against he comes over; and will please cunningly to intimate the Commissioner's Design to serve the Mayor's Son, as also my Brother *Rookley*; which he positively resolves to do. I hope, by your prudent Management, the Commissioner will find from the Corporation, a civil and candid Reception; which will be most gratefully acknowledged by him to you all; particularly to yourself; as also by, Sir,

Your most faithful humble Servant,  
*W. Smith.*

*Portsmouth Dock-yard,*

28 July 1698.

I have sent the Coffee by the Bearer, Nurse *Dart*; which humbly prays your Acceptance.

My Service attends you, and my Cousins.

And the said *Mathews* said, That afterwards he received a Second Letter from the said Mr. *Smith*, upon the said Subject; which he did not produce: And there-

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upon he went and acquainted the then Mayor with what Mr. *Smith* had wrote, concerning his the said Mayor's Son, the Mayor's Wife being present; who said, The Good of her Son was more to them than any Parliament-man: And that afterwards Mr. *Greenhill* lay at the said Mr. *Keblewright's*; and he espoused his Interest: That afterwards Mr. *Mathews* discoursed with Mr. *Greenhill* about the Subject-matter of Mr. *Smith's* Letter; and told him, That if *Keblewright's* Son was not preferred, and Junk sent to the Town, he could not expect to succeed; but did not shew him Mr. *Smith's* Letter: And Mr. *Greenhill* said, it should be done: And that, about September, some Junk was sent, and so continued to be sent for Six or Seven Months, in the King's Boat; but he could not say, by the Commissioner's Means or Order: And that some of the poor People said, That they must have had Relief but for the said Oakum:

That *John Read* said, He would not have voted for Mr. *Greenhill*, but for the Preferment of his Brother, and the Importunity of his Sister; his Brother being promised to be head Carpenter of a Yard:

That he attended Mr. *Greenhill*, on behalf of Mr. *John Rookley*; who was discharged from being Surgeon of a Ship: And that Mr. *Greenhill* promised him to be his Friend: And that since, the said *Rookley* is employed as Surgeon of a Ship; but he could not say, by Mr. *Greenhill's* Means.

*James Farrington* said, That he received 35 Ton of Junk from *Portsmouth*, and delivered it to the Poor of *Newport*, to pick; and there was a Warehouse taken for it at the Rate of 40s. a Year: That he was employed by Mr. *Smith* and allowed 3s. 4d. per C. which, for the 35 Ton, comes to 115*l.*; whereof he allowed the Poor 3s. 2d. per C.; and received his Money at 10*l.* a time: That about Six C. Weight remained at the time of the Election; but he could not say, by whose Order the Junk was sent; but it was brought in the King's Boat; but none had been sent since August last.

Mr. *Wm. Prescott* said, That *John Keblewright* has been Purser of the *Nassau* since September 1699: That he was formerly Purser of the *Josiah*, a Fourth-rate, which being made a Hulk, he was discharged from the same: That, on passing his Accounts for the *Josiah*, he was indebted 77*l.* 7s. which he has given Security to pay; and his Wages is also stopped till the same is cleared.

Mr. *Tho. Read* said, That he has heard *John Read* say, the Reason of his voting for Mr. *Greenhill* was, because his Brother-in-law was promised some Preferment; but did not say by whom: That the Junk sent to *Newport* was an Ease to the Electors, in Point of the Poors Rate; for that a great many must have been relieved by the Town, if not for the Benefit they had by picking of Oakum; and some were taken off the Rate upon that Account; particularly one *Francis Taunt*; but he could not remember any other: And believes, some did vote for Mr. *Greenhill* upon Account of the general Benefit of the Town: But, at the same time, he acknowledged, That he, being Mayor, did make Mr. *Greenhill's* Return, and made no Objection to his being elected:

*Edward Hales* said, He was Town-clerk, and Master-gunner of *Carisbrook-Castle*, by a Warrant from the Lord *Rumney*: That he was present at the Election of my Lord *Cutts* and Sir *Robert Cotton*; and, after the Election was over, Mr. *Smith*, who was very active for Mr. *Greenhill*, and desired his Interest particularly, which he excused, came into the Town-hall, and told them, it was believed the Lord *Cutts* would make his Election to serve for *Cambridgeshire*; and therefore he desired their Votes for Mr. *Greenhill*.

Colonel *Dudley* said, He discoursed with Alderman *Webb* Three Days before the Election, and asked him, Who he was for: That he said, That he, and his Son *Rudge*, were for Mr. *Greenhill*; for his Grandson had a Promise of some Clerk's Place, near Mr. *Greenhill*, of 30*l.* per Annum; which would, in a little time, be worth 50*l.* a Year: That he could not say positively, that Alderman

Alderman *Webb* said, Mr. *Greenhill* had made the Promise; but he understood it so by the Discourse.

Mr. *Robert Lee* said, That Alderman *Webb* told him, That he would not promise his Vote till the Day of Election; but his Son had given it for Mr. *Greenhill*, Mr. *Greenhill* having promised him a Place for his Son, which was worth 30*l.* a Year; and, in a little time, would be worth 50 or 60*l.*

That the Counsel for the Sitting Member insisted, That taking it upon the Petitioner's Evidence, The Promise of Junk being made before the Vacancy, it was not within the Words of the Act of Parliament, nor within the meaning of the same; it not being given to the Voters:

That what Mr. *Smith* did, was without Mr. *Greenhill*'s Privity:

That Mr. *Keblewright* was not Mayor at the time of Mr. *Greenhill*'s being elected:

And that, instead of Promises on behalf of the Sitting Member, there were Promises and Threats made use of on behalf of the Petitioner: And called several Witnesses.

Mr. *William Smith* said, That there was a Want of Oakum in the Dock Yard at *Portsmouth*, occasioned by the poor People's refusing to pick it, they in War-time finding Ways better to employ their Time; and that formerly they have had Oakum sent to *Portsmouth* from *Deptford*, which costs the King 3*s.* 8*d.* per C. Weight picking, besides the Charge of carrying it to *Portsmouth*; whereas that picked at *Newport* cost but 3*s.* 4*d.*: That formerly they had made use of *Fareham*, and other Places, for the Picking of Oakum: That, when he did understand the Lord *Cutts* was elected for *Cambridgeshire*, he went over to *Newport*, and proposed Mr. *Greenhill*; presuming the Lord *Cutts* would stand for *Cambridgeshire*, and decline *Newport*; and did say, the People of the Town might receive Benefit by the Picking of Oakum; and that Junk was sent to *Newport* to Mr. *Farrington*, till it was contradicted: But it was Mr. *Cowper*'s Office to direct it; and Mr. *Greenhill* was not concerned in sending it there:

That the Junk was carried in the King's Boat, with two Men, which were kept to look after the Buoys; and, when they could be spared from that, they carried the Junk:

That Mr. *Keblewright*'s Son, and he, having been Clerks several Years together in the Dock-yard, he wrote him a Letter, to speak to Mr. *Greenhill* on his behalf: and accordingly he did speak to Mr. *Greenhill*, for his Letter, for young *Keblewright*: But whether he had such Letter, Mr. *Smith* could not tell.

Mr. *Francis Hosier* produced an Account of 26 Tons and an half, sent from *Deptford* to *Portsmouth*, for the Year 1696, 97, and 98; and he said, It cost picking at *Deptford* 4*s.* per C.; which he supposes was sent to *Portsmouth* from *Deptford*, because they could not be supplied fast enough at *Portsmouth*.

Mr. *Wm. Keblewright* denied, That he had any Promise, that his Son should be made a Purser; or that he gave his Vote upon any such Account.

Mr. *John Keblewright* himself, being examined, said, That he was Purser of the *Josiah* in 1695; which being rendered unserviceable, he got a Certificate from the Officers of *Portsmouth* Yard; and, after a Year and Half's Attendance, was, by the Lords of the Admiralty, made Purser of the *Nassau*, his Father and Brother being Security for his Arrears; and that he had a Promise of being Purser, Two or Three Months before the Election: And he produced his Certificate, dated the 13 July 1694; and Warrant to be Purser of the *Nassau*, dated the 2d October 1699.

Mr. *Edward Webb* said, He never was offered any thing by Mr. *Greenhill* to vote for him; but voted for him out of Judgment: That he knows of no Clerk's Place, or other Place of Profit, that his Grandson has; nor is he like to have any, that ever he heard of.

*John How* said, That Mr. *Acton* came to *Newport*

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some time before *Christmas* last, and sent for him, and told him, my Lord *Cutts* had ordered him some Money, that was owing him, and desired his Vote; and, if he would give him his Vote, he should have his Money when he pleased: And accordingly he received Money of him twice; and Mr. *Acton* promised him both my Lord's and his own Favour, if he would vote for him:

That afterwards my Lord *Cutts* came down, went to Mr. *Hales*, and sent for him, and pressed him for his Vote; but, he not being willing to promise, my Lord asked him, What he would have: Who saying, He would have his Money, and his Bill signed; accordingly his Bill was signed: That my Lord bid him come the next Morning, which he did; and then my Lord whispered, and told him, That if his Wife, who was then with Child, was brought to-bed of a Son, he would take care of it as soon as he was able to go abroad.

But Colonel *Dudley*, being called in to confront *John How*, said, He was present all the time that *How* was with the Lord *Cutts*; and that he did not observe my Lord whisper him: That he desired his Account should be passed; and that he would use him as a Freeman, and a Burgess of the Town.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to this Resolution:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Henry Greenhill* Esquire, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Newport*, in the Isle of *Wight*.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Henry Greenhill* Esquire, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Newport*, in the Isle of *Wight*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the Petition of the Corporation of *Leeds*, be transferred from the Committee for the preventing the Exportation of Wool; and referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Clothiers of *Salisbury* is referred.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Veneris, 12<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;*

11<sup>o</sup> *Gulielmi Tertii.*

#### PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Mayor, Bailiffs, Aldermen, Common Council and Inhabitants, of the Borough of *Weymouth*, and *Melcem Regis*, in the County of *Dorset*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Rye* is the only Harbour the *English* have upon the Coast of *Kent* and *Sussex*, for above 100 Miles; and lies very commodious for Ships of War, as well as Merchant Ships, either in War or Peace; whereby many Ships have been saved in Stress of Weather; but the said Harbour is in Danger of being lost by the Inning of Land, and making Walls cross the same with Flood-gates; whereby the Tide is checked; the Slub stopped, and the Harbour yearly worse and worse: And praying, That some Course may be taken for restoring the said Harbour to its ancient Goodness.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Town of *Rye* is referred.

A Petition of the Freeholders, Clothiers, Serge-makers, and others, Inhabitants of the Town of *Taunton*, and Parts adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Way to raise the Value of our Land, to lessen the Number and Charge of the Poor, and to increase the Riches and Strength of the Nation, is, to give the greatest Encouragement to the Woollen and other Manufactures of this Kingdom; to abate the

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Interest of Money; destroy all Monopolies; discourage all Companies that restrain Trade, especially the *East India* and *Hamborough*; to repeal the Act for prohibiting of Bone-lace from *Flanders*; to make the Acts for Burying in Woollen to extend to the Plantations; and to make *England*, as much as may be, a free Market for all Buyers: And praying the Consideration of the House in the said Matters.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, who are to examine what has been done against the Exportation of Wool; and for encouraging the Woollen Manufacture.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of *John Key*, late Captain in the Lord *Strathnaver's* Regiment, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That he raised a Company in the said Regiment, at his own Charge, on the *Irish* Establishment, which was since put upon the *English* Establishment; and the Petitioner served therein faithfully, till the latter End of 1696; when he was deprived of his Command, without any just Ground; although there is a considerable Sum due to him, of which he can obtain no Account or Payment; whereby he, and his numerous Family, are reduced to great Distress: And praying, that he may be admitted to have Half-pay, or be otherwise relieved in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Bone-lace,  
&c.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses, and of other the chief Inhabitants, of the Borough of *Newbery* in the County of *Berks*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by reason of the Act for prohibiting the Importation of foreign Bone-lace, and the Prohibition of *English* Woollen Manufactures in *Flanders*, occasioned thereby, many of the chief Clothiers have quitted their Trades; and the Trade of those that carry it still on, is so much lessened, that their Poor are greatly increased, for want of Employment: And praying, That the said Act may be repealed, their chiefest Trade being to *Flanders*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Clothiers of *Salisbury* is referred.

Avon  
Navigation.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses, and other the principal Inhabitants, of the Corporation of *Taunton* in the County of *Somerset*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are highly sensible of the great Advantage navigable Rivers bring to this Kingdom in general: And praying, That the Bill depending in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, may pass into a Law.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

State of the  
Fleet.

Sir *George Rook* presented to the House a State of the Fleet: And the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England, Ireland, &c.*

A List of what ships and Vessels are now abroad, and going abroad; with their several Stations; and by what time they may be expected home.

Rate.	Ships.	Men.	Stations, and Number of Men respectively employed therein.
4 — —	Winchester	197	Cruising against the Pirates of <i>Sallee</i> , which take up 812 Men.
	Adventure	160	
5 — —	Rye	115	
	Lyme	115	
	Penzance	95	
6 — —	Dunwich	95	
	Spy, Brigantine	35	

Rate.

*Ordered*, That no Petition for or against the said Bill be received after this Day Sevensnight.

A Petition of the several Commanders of his Majesty's Ships, in behalf of themselves, and others, who served in the late Wars against *France*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That in 1693, an Establishment was made by his Majesty in Council, giving Half-pay to the Officers therein mentioned, when on shore, in time of Peace, to be settled on the ordinary Estimate of the Navy, and paid quarterly; whereby a Retrenchment was made of a great Number of their Servants, and other Allowances usually made; but the Petitioners have received no Benefit by the said Establishment, or the Provision intended them by the Vote of this House in 1697; but hath faithfully served, and attended the publick Service, not expecting any Settlement for the future, but from the Bounty of this House: And praying, That their Case may be taken into Consideration; and that they may be granted what was graciously intended them by his Majesty, and this House, in time of Peace, for Half-pay; That they may be enabled to attend on the publick Service, and not be obliged to seek for other Service for their Maintenance.

*Ordered*, That the Petition do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

*Ordered*, That the Earl of *Ranelagh* do lay before this House the particular Account of 296,806*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.* for disbanding, mentioned in the Account of the Disposition of 561,014*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.* received out of the 600,000*l.* appropriated last Session of Parliament for Land Service, presented to the House the Nineteenth of December last.

A Bill for the better preserving the Navigation of the Rivers *Avon* and *Froome*, and cleansing the Streets of the City of *Bristol*, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Monday Morning next.

The Clerk of the Crown attended; and, according to the Order of Yesterday, amended the Return for the Borough of *Newark* in the County of *Nottingham*.

Mr *Cook*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants, and sending them whither by Law they ought to be sent: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Mr *Harcourt*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to apply all the forfeited Estates, and Interests, in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Rate.	Ships.	Men.	Stations, and Number of Men respectively employed therein.
4 - - -	{ Harwich - - -	197	In the <i>East Indies</i> with Captain <i>Warren</i> , and cannot be back till near this time Twelvemonth, which take up 604 Men.
5 - - -	{ Anglesey - - -	197	
6 - - -	{ Hastings - - -	115	
6 - - -	{ Lizard - - -	95	
4 - - -	{ Gloucester - - -	278	In the <i>West Indies</i> with Rear Admiral <i>Benbow</i> , - - -
5 - - -	{ Falmouth - - -	197	
6 - - -	{ Lynn - - -	115	
6 - - -	{ Germoon Prize - - -	50	
5 - - -	{ Saudadoes Prize - - -	150	Ordered from { <i>Jamaica</i> - - - <i>Barbadoes</i> - - - <i>Leeward Islands</i> - - - <i>Virginia</i> - - -
6 - - -	{ Maidstone - - -	95	
5 - - -	{ Speedwell - - -	115	
6 - - -	{ Queenbrough - - -	95	
6 - - -	{ Essex Prize - - -	60	Gone to the <i>Canaryes</i> - - -
4 - - -	{ Crown - - -	149	
5 - - -	{ Betty - - -	115	
4 - - -	{ Hampshire - - -	197	
5 - - -	{ Lowstaffe - - -	115	Coming from <i>Newfoundland</i> - - - Ditto from the <i>Isle of May</i> - - - Attends on <i>Barbadoes</i> - - -
5 - - -	{ Ludlow - - -	115	
6 - - -	{ South Sea Castle - - -	115	
6 - - -	{ Biddeford - - -	95	
5 - - -	{ Margate - - -	95	Ditto <i>Jamaica</i> - - - Ditto <i>Leeward Islands</i> - - - Ditto <i>New England</i> - - - Ditto <i>New York</i> - - -
6 - - -	{ Arundell - - -	115	
6 - - -	{ Newport - - -	95	
6 - - -	{ Messenger Advice Boat - - -	40	
5 - - -	{ Shoreham - - -	115	Ditto <i>Maryland</i> - - - Ditto <i>Virginia</i> - - - Gone to the <i>Isle of May</i> - - -
5 - - -	{ Poole - - -	115	
5 - - -	{ Dolphin - - -	90	
5 - - -	{ Roebuck - - -	50	
6 - - -	{ Rupert Prize - - -	70	On private Services - - -
6 - - -	{ Paramour Pink - - -	20	
4 - - -	{ Tilbury - - -	197	
5 - - -	{ Mary Galley - - -	115	
5 - - -	{ Experiment - - -	115	Designed for <i>Newfoundland</i> - - -
4 - - -	{ Advice - - -	197	
4 - - -	{ Advice - - -	197	
4 - - -	{ Advice - - -	197	
Men abroad	-	4901	Gone to <i>New England</i> for <i>Kidd</i> , and cannot be back before June next: And if <i>Kidd</i> comes with Rear Admiral <i>Benbow</i> , she is to stay and attend on <i>New York</i> .

Having thus set down the Number of Ships and Vessels employed, and to be employed, abroad, we shall, in the next place, insert

A List of such Ships and Vessels as will remain in Pay at home, and on the Coast of *Ireland*, when those are laid up which are already ordered to be paid off, and that the Ships designed abroad are sailed.

Rate.	Ships.	Men.	Stations, and Number of Men respectively employed thereon.
3 - - -	{ Expedition - - -	293	Employed in the Channel, and take up 2,108 Men.
	{ Kent - - -	293	
	{ Revenge - - -	293	
	{ Carlisle - - -	149	
	{ Plymouth - - -	206	
	{ Salisbury - - -	149	
	{ Severne - - -	149	
4 - - -	{ Worcester - - -	149	
	{ Windsor - - -	278	
	{ Portland - - -	149	
5 - - -	{ Mary - - -	80	Guard-ships, and take up 685 Men.
	{ Mountague - - -	80	
	{ Romney - - -	80	
	{ Feversham - - -	80	
	{ Winchelsea - - -	80	
	{ Griffin Fireship - - -	45	
4 - - -	{ Three, 80 Men each - - -	240	
5 - - -	{ Bridgwater - - -	90	
6 - - -	{ Love - - -	90	
6 - - -	{ Solebay - - -	90	
	{ 7 Sloops and One Advice Boat, at 35 Men each - - -	280	Cruising on the Coast of <i>Ireland</i> , pursuant to an Act of Parliament, for intercepting <i>Wool</i> , which take up 530 Men.



Rate.	Ships.	Men.	Stations, and Number of Men respectively employed therein.
	Flambrough - -	70	Attend the Lords Justices of <i>Ireland</i> . Attends on <i>Jersey</i> . Ditto on <i>Guernsey</i> . Ditto on the Isle of <i>Wight</i> . In the River. Attends the Admiral of the Fleet.
	Soesdike Yacht -	35	
	Isabella Yacht -	20	
	Seaford - - -	70	
	Isle of Wight Yacht	5	
	Six Yachts more -	150	
	Blackwell-hall Sloop	12	
	Storeships.		
	Katherine - - -	30	Follow the Navy Board's Order.
	Canterbury - - -	35	
	Men at home -	3,750	
	Men abroad -	4,901	
		8,651	Men in Pay. Voted by Parliament.
		7,000	
	To be retrenched	1,651	

So that there being now in Pay 1,651 Men more than 7,000, we do propose the following Ships as the most proper to be paid off, for reducing them to near that Number; viz.

Rate.	Ships.	Men.
3d. - - -	Expedition - - - - -	293
	Kent - - - - -	293
	Revenge - - - - -	293
4 - - -	Windsor - - - - -	278
	Plymouth - - - - -	206
	Carlisle - - - - -	149
		1,512

But, when these Ships are laid up, there will then remain at home no more than the Four Ships hereafter mentioned, but of 50 Guns each; viz.

Rate.	Ships.	Men.
4 - - -	Salisbury - - - - -	149
	Severne - - - - -	149
	Worcester - - - - -	149
	Portland - - - - -	149
		596

J. Bridgwater, G. Rooke.  
D. Mitchell, Geo. Churchill.

By Command of their Lordships,  
J. Burchett.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Consideration of the said State be now referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Blaake, } 79.  
                                  { Mr. Parckhurst :

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Godfrey Copley, } 249.  
                                  { Mr. Scobell :

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the said State do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. Gilbert Kendall, a Public Notary, do lay before this House the Books and Papers he hath relating to the Sailing of the Ship *Dolphin*.

Dolphin  
Ship.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That

they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Mr. Conyers also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

Ordered, That the Bill for erecting and establishing a Westminster Court of Conscience in the City of *Westminster*, and Small Debts. Liberties thereof, be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next, in a full House.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Sabbati, 13<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Dunwich  
Election.

**O**RDERED, That Sir *Henry Johnson* have Leave to withdraw his Petition touching the Election for the Borough of *Dunwich* in the County of *Suffolk*.

Dunwich  
Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Dunwich* in the County of *Suffolk*, in the Room of Sir *Robert Rich* Knight and Baronet, deceased.

Vander  
Tijde's Nat.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to naturalize Mr. *Francis Vander Tijde*: And that Mr. *Clark* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Aliens  
Children.

Sir *Edward Hussey*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable his Majesty's natural-born Subjects to inherit the Estate of their Ancestors, either lineal or collateral, notwithstanding their Father or Mother were Aliens: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Lacy's  
Estate.

Mr. *Palmer*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for Sale of several Western Manors and Lands, the Estate of *Arthur Lacy* Esquire, for discharging a Mortgage thereupon; and for laying out the Surplus-money in the Purchase of Demesne-lands, to be settled to the same Uses: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read upon Monday Morning next.

Woollen Ma-  
nufactures.

A Petition of the Clothiers of the County of *Gloucester* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Cloathing Trade is very much discouraged by the Prohibition of our Woollen Manufactures into *Flanders* and *Brabant*; the Dearness of Dyeing Stuff, Oil, and Soap, consumed here, and the Drawback upon Exportation, chiefly by Foreigners; which will endanger the Supplanting of the Woollen Trade into foreign Countries, to the Loss of it here, by the Weakness of the Stock of Foreigners; it being our Advantage to encourage *English* Merchants, who employ far greater Stocks therein: And praying, That some Course may be taken for regaining the Trade to *Flanders* and *Brabant*, and all Encouragement given to *English* Merchants to export our Woollen Manufactures thither; and that the Petitioners may be put on an equal Foot with their Neighbours in the Materials of Soap, Oil, and Dyeing Stuff.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

Martha  
Ship.

A Bill for the Ship *Martha*, or *Margam*, to trade as a free Ship, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Tuesday Morning next.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

A Petition of *Thomas Johnson* Gentleman, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *John Bradshaw*, a Lighterman, against whom the Petitioner obtained a Verdict and Judgment for 40*l.* is become Turnkey in the Fleet Prison, for a Protection from his Creditors; whereby he is not only Master of his own Liberty, but also of others: And praying, That he may be debarred from being Turnkey, and Debtor, and Prisoner, and, at the same time, Prison-keeper.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee relating to the Abuses of the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*.

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A Petition of *John James* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner served Two Campaigns in *Flanders*, in the Horse Grenadiers of the Second Troop of Guards; and had his Horse, which he brought into the Troop, shot under him; for which Captain *Warren* received Satisfaction from the King, but refuses to make any to the Petitioner, or to account for what is due to him for his said Service: And praying, That Captain *Warren* may be ordered to account with, and pay, the Petitioner what is due to him.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Report be made from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, was referred; and who were to consider what is necessary to be done for the Relief of the Soldiers in general.

A Petition of the disbanded and reduced Men, who lately served in a Regiment of *Dutch* Horse, commanded by Colonel *Steinbock*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in 1696, the Petitioners, being Roman Catholics, were reduced at *York* from the said Regiment for *Flanders*, and their Horses and Accoutrements taken from them, without any Satisfaction, though they had paid for them; nor could they ever get any Account from their Officers of their Cloathing, for which there is great Arrears; but, upon their being disbanded, Major *Goulstein* forced several of the Troopers to sign Papers, as if they had been paid in full, which they were not: That *Jacob Vander Esch*, the *Dutch* Paymaster, has all the Petitioners Accounts: And praying, That he may account with them, and pay what is due, the Petitioners being very poor, and coming into *England* on purpose to solicit this Affair.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Report be made from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, was referred; and who were to consider what is necessary to be done for the Relief of the Soldiers in general.

A Petition of *William Paine*, and others, on behalf of themselves, and others, late Soldiers, reduced out of the Troop of Horse commanded by Captain *Robert Millington*, and Captain *Charles Eyton*, successively, in the Regiment under the Command of the Right Honourable the Earl of *Oxford*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they cannot get any Account of their *Irish* Arrears from Captain *Millington*, besides 4*l.* 5*s.* per Man for Respites; and 2*d.* per Day, amounting to 3*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.* out of their Subsistence, has been unjustly stopped from them, for which they can obtain no Relief: And praying the House to grant them some Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Report be made from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, was referred; and who were to consider what is necessary to be done for the Relief of the Soldiers in general.

A Petition of *Thomas Pink* and *William Joanes* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners served as Dragoons in Colonel *Floyd's* Regiment during all the late Wars; and have obtained their Discharges, and delivered their Accounts to their Colonel, there being considerable Sums due to them; but they can get none of it, whereby they are reduced to great Streights; And praying the Assistance of the House therein, not knowing how to get what is due to them.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Report be made from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, was referred; and who were to consider what is necessary to be done for the Relief of the Soldiers in general.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Gilbert Kendall* attended, according to Order; he was called in: And, at the Bar, presented to the House a Book relating to the Sailing of the Ship *Dolphin*.

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And

And then withdrew.

Ordered, That the said Mr. *Kendall* do lay before this House the Transfer Book, and all other Books and Papers, relating to the said Ship.

Treaty of  
Altona, &c.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* presented to the House a *Latin* Copy of the Treaty of *Altona*, the 20th of June 1689: And also,

A Translation of the Treaty of *Altona*: And also,

A Copy of his Majesty's Guarantee of the Treaty of *Altona*: And also,

The 6th and 7th Articles of the Treaty of Marriage between the Prince and Princess of *Denmark*: And also,

Copies of Two Letters of the Earl of *Nottingham*: One to Mr. *Ludolfe*, the 9th of July 1689; the other to the Lord *Godolphin*, the 18th of June 1694.

The Titles whereof were read; and the Copies are as follow; viz.

The said *Latin* Copy.

Treaty of *Altona*, 20th June 1689.

NOTUM sit omnibus, qua ratione graves controversiæ, quæ ab aliquo abhinc tempore inter suam Regiam Majestatem Daniæ & Norvegiæ, ac Domini Ducis Sleswicensis Holsatiæ Celsitudinem, agitatæ fuerunt per sollicitam meditationem Sacræ Cæsareæ Majestatis, ac suarum Serenitatem Electoralium Saxonie & Brandenburgii, in sequentes leges compositæ, atque in perpetuum abolitæ fuerunt:

1. Sit maneatque generalis amnestia, & æterna oblivio, omnium illorum, quæ hucusque ab utraque parte, earumque ministris, subditis, & adhærentibus, invicem suscepta atque patrata fuerint; quorum nomine nemo utrinque ad reddendas rationes vocabitur, nec eadem cuiuspiam fraudi aut damno cedent: Vicissim, inter suam Regiam Majestatem Daniæ & Norvegiæ, ejusque hæredes, & in regno successores, ac Domini Ducis Sleswicensis Holsatiæ Celsitudinem, ejusque successores, æterna atque insolubilis amicitia & unio, hoc ipso, restaurata atque stabilita sit.

2. Sua Regia Majestas Daniæ & Norvegiæ Celsitudinem suam Ducalem in omnes ipsius dictæ Celsitudinis ditiones, terras, insulas, & bona; atque in specie in prædium *Gottesgabe* dictum, simul in ejusdem soværitatem, regalia, jura collectarum, fœderum, munimentorumque extruendorum & possidendorum; denique, in universum, in omnia illa jura, eminentias, & quævis competentia, prout sua Celsitudo isthæc, ante & post pacem *Westphalicam*, & *Borealem*, usque ad annum 1675, obtinuit atque possedit; tum & quicquid suæ Celsitudini per pacificationem *Fontisbellaquensem* competere potest; quarum pacificationum leges contentæ, hoc ipso, iterum confirmantur: Nec minus sua Regia Majestas suæ Celsitudinis ministros atque subditos in quævis horum bona & pecunias creditas restituit.

3. Cum etiam sua Celsitudo, inter alia postulata, id requisiverit, ut sua Regia Majestas Femeram insulam, una cum præfecturis *Steinhorst*, *Tremsbüttel*, & *Trittau*, ab hypotheca in ejusdem constituta, ac ea pecuniæ summa, cujus nomine obnoxie tenentur, liberare, ac suæ Celsitudini absque ullo onere reddere velit: Sua Regia Majestas, quo de sincera sua in suam Celsitudinem, velut consanguinitate & affinitate sibi conjunctam, benevolentia, eo luculentius testetur, hypothecam & actionem, quam ipsa in præfecturam *Trittau* habet, cedit atque remittit; dictamque præfecturam, una cum aliis ejusdem terris, restituit: Sed quod Femeram insulam, & præfecturas *Tremsbüttel* & *Steinhorst* spectat, cum istæ non in suæ Regiæ Majestatis, sed in suæ Celsitudinis Regiæ Domini *Georgii* Principis Daniæ manu sint, Sacræ Cæsareæ Majestatis, & Dominorum Electorum Saxonie & Brandenburgii Serenitates, velut circa componendas hasce controversias meditatorum officio fungentes, & eo melius pax & tranquillitas in regnis Borealibus, & Circulo Inferioris Saxonie, firmetur atque conservetur, quam inconcussam subsistere publici boni magnopere interest, in se receperunt ejusmodi media procurare, quibus suæ Celsitudini Regiæ

pro ista summa, ob quam dicta loca ipsi tenent, absque onere & præjudicio suæ Regiæ Majestatis, satisfiat; simul alte memoratæ Regiæ Suæ Celsitudinis consensum impetrare, ut dictæ insula & præfecturæ pariter suæ Celsitudini Ducali, libere ac gratuito, atque ab antehac inhærente debito & hypotheca immunes, reddantur.

4. Vice versa, sua Celsitudo renunciat omnibus actionibus & prætensionibus, quas non solum suæ Regiæ Majestati eo nomine, quod hæc aliquandiu ipsius ditiones detinuerit, earumque fructus perceperit, movere possit; sed & pariter eos processus, quos in judicio *Aulico Cæsareo* contra domum Dominorum Ducum *Holsatiæ* in *Ploen* impetravit, remittit, aique iisdem plane desistit.

5. Quod uniones, pacta familiæ, & alias, usque ad annum 1675, initas conventiones, ut & communionem attinet, circa eas firmas, permanet ad istud usque tempus receptus usus, non minus atque illa quæ pace *Westphalica*, *Boreali*, & *Fontisbellaquensi*, huc spectantia, diserte & literaliter disponentur, sed & quicquid reddituum camerarium, & contributionum, e ditionibus suæ Celsitudinis reliquum, & nondum perceptum fuerit, id a sua Regia Majestate prorsus non exigetur.

6. Cætera gravamina ad amicam transactionem, aut, si ea non succedat, ad viam juris remittunt; ac neutra pars adversus quælibet superius adducta quidquam, via facti, suscipiet.

7. Ratihabitiones hujus transactionis intra quatuordecim dies a facta subscriptione hic *Altonæ* permutabunt; ac dehinc conventa protinus, aut ad summum intra octiduum post eandem factam, bona fide, citra tergiversationem, reipsa executioni dabuntur.

In fidem actorum, duo ejusdem tenoris exemplaria confecta, subscripta, ac sigillis firmata, utrique partium tradita fuerunt.

Actum *Altonæ*, die 20 Junii, anno 1689.

The Translation of the Treaty of *Altona*.

BE it known to all, by what means the great Controversies, which have been a long time between his Royal Majesty of *Denmark*, and *Norway*, and his Highness the Duke of *Holstein Sleswick*, by the earnest Mediation of his Imperial Majesty, and their Electoral Highnesses of *Saxony* and *Brandenburgh*, have been composed, and for ever abolished, upon the following Conditions:

1. That there shall be a General Amnesty, and a perpetual Oblivion, of all that hath been hitherto undertaken on both Sides, done or acted by each, or other Party, their Ministers, Subjects, or Adherents; none of either Side shall be called to an Account, nor shall any body be brought into Danger or Charge for it: But an eternal and indissoluble Friendship and Union shall hereby be restored and established betwixt his Royal Majesty of *Denmark* and *Norway*, his Heirs and Successors, in his Kingdoms, and his Highness the Duke of *Holstein Sleswick*, and his Successors.

2. His Royal Majesty of *Denmark* and *Norway* shall restore to his Ducal Highness all his said Highness's Dominions, Lands, Islands, and Goods; but especially the Lordship of *Gottesgabe*, together with the Sovereignty of the same, Royalties, Rights of raising Monies, making Leagues and Alliances, of building and possessing Fortifications; in fine, all those Rights and Prerogatives whatsoever that his Highness did hold and enjoy before and after the Treaties of *Westphaly*, and of the North, to the Year 1675; as likewise whatever his Highness may claim by the Pacification of *Fountainbleau*; the Conditions and Contents of which Treaties are confirmed hereby: And also his Royal Majesty will restore to his Highness's Officers and Subjects all their Goods and Debts.

3. Whereas his Highness, amongst other Demands, hath required, That his Royal Majesty would free the Islands of *Femeren*, together with the Governments of *Steinhorst*, *Tremsbüttel*, and *Trittau*, from a Mortgage, pay that Sum of Money they are engaged for, and restore them, without any Charge, to his Highness: His

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Royal Majesty, to give the greater Mark of his Favour to his Highness, as being nearly related to him in Blood and Affinity, doth give up the Mortgage, and remit the Action he hath against the Government of *Trittau*; and restores it, with its Dependencies: But, as to what concerns the Island of *Femeren*, and the Governments of *Tremsbuttell* and *Steinhorst*, these being not in the Hands of his Majesty, but of his Royal Highness Prince *George of Denmark*; his Imperial Majesty, and their Electoral Highnesses of *Saxony* and *Brandenburgh*, in Quality of Mediators for composing these Differences, to the end that Peace and Tranquillity may the better be established and settled in the Northern Kingdoms, and the Circle of *Lower Saxony*, it being of great Importance to the publick Good, that it should subsist inviolably, they have undertaken to find out such means to make Satisfaction to his Royal Highness for that Sum of Money for which he holds those Places, without any Charge or Prejudice to his Royal Majesty; as likewise to obtain the Consent of his said Royal Highness, That the said Island and Governments be restored again to his Highness the Duke of *Holstein*, exempt and free from the Debt and Mortgage they formerly lay under.

4. On the other Side, his Highness doth renounce all Actions and Pretensions he might have, not only against his Royal Majesty, for having detained his Dominions for some time, and enjoyed the Revenues thereof; but also doth release, and wholly desists from, those Proceedings he had obtained from the Imperial Chamber against the House of the Dukes of *Holstein-Ploen*.

5. As to what belongs to Unions, Family Agreements, and other Conventions made to the Year 1675; as also the Communion; the Custom used to that Day shall remain in Force, no less than what hath been expressly and literally determined, in relation to this Matter, by the Treaties at *Westphaly*, of the *North*, and of *Fountainbleau*; and whatsoever remains, and is unreceived, of the Revenues of the Chamber, or Contributions in his Highness's Dominions, shall by no means be demanded from his Royal Majesty.

6. They do remit other Grievances to be made up in a friendly Transaction; and, if that doth not succeed, they leave it to the Law: And neither Party shall undertake any thing, by way of Force, against what is above settled.

7. The Ratifications of this Agreement shall be exchanged here at *Altena*, Fourteen Days after the Subscribing of it; and the Agreement shall immediately, or, at furthest, within Eight Days after the Exchange, be strictly put in Execution, *bona fide*, and without Delay.

In Witness whereof Two Copies of the same Tenor, subscribed and sealed, have been delivered to each Party.

Done at *Altena* the 20th Day of June, in the Year 1689.

The said Copy of his Majesty's Guarantee of the Treaty of *Altena*.

*WILLIAM* the Third, by the Grace of God, of *England*, *Scotland*, *France*, and *Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. To all, to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting. Whereas the late Differences arisen between our Good Brother the King of *Denmark* and *Norway*, and the Duke of *Holstein Sleswick*, have been adjusted and composed by a Treaty concluded at *Altena* the 20th Day of June last past; whereby likewise an everlasting and firm Friendship and Union is settled and renewed between the said King of *Denmark* and *Norway*, and the said Duke of *Holstein*, and their Successors; a Copy of which Treaty, translated out of the *German* Language, in which it was signed, into *Latin*, does here follow;

*Notum sit omnibus, &c.*

And whereas it is of very great Importance for the Good and Benefit of Christendom, and for maintaining in Peace and Tranquillity the Kingdoms and States in the North, That the said Treaty should be inviolably

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kept and observed: We have thought fit, for that Reason, and in regard of the Friendship and Affection which We bear unto the said King and Duke, to grant our Guarantee of the same; that so it may appear how ready and desirous We are to contribute our Endeavours, for preserving and maintaining that Part of Christendom in Peace and Quietness: And we do accordingly, by these Presents, give and grant our Guarantee of the said Treaty, concluded at *Altena* between the King of *Denmark* and *Norway*, and the Duke of *Holstein Sleswick*, and of every Article therein contained: And We do hereby promise, and engage our Royal Word, That We will employ our best Endeavours to prevent any Violation or Infringement thereof; and not only interpose our Offices, wherever it shall be necessary for this End, but also make use of our Forces, if need be, in Conjunction with those of the Party injured, and with those of our Allies, who shall likewise be concerned in this Affair, against all such as shall, by open Force or Violence, attempt any thing against the said Treaty; which We will preserve, as far as in us lies, according to the true Intent and Meaning thereof. In Witness whereof, we have caused our Great Seal of *England* to be affixed to these Presents. Given at our Court at *Whitehall*, the 30th Day of January 1689-90, in the First Year of our Reign.

*WILLIAM R.*

The said 6th and 7th Articles of the Treaty of Marriage between the Prince and Princess of *Denmark*.

Article the 6th.

The aforesaid King of *Denmark* and *Norway*, and his Brother Prince *George*, by their respective Commission granted, agree and consent, That, Five Months after the Marriage already designed is solemnized, they shall constitute, and, according to the Laws of *Denmark*, ascertain, and confirm, for a Dowry, a certain Revenue, of the yearly Value of 25,000 Crowns, out of the Government of *Wahrenburgh*, and the Isle of *Femeren*, to the Use and Benefit of the said Prince *George*, and Princess, during their Lives: And in case the said Prince *George* shall die first, the full Revenue of the aforesaid Government of *Wahrenburg*, and of the Island of *Femeren*, with all the Rights which the Prince now enjoys, shall belong to the Princess during her Life.

Article 7th.

And whereas the most Serene King of *Great Britain*, and the Duke of *York*, have promised, That all the Estate, which the said Princess brought with her, shall descend to the Children which the Prince shall have by the Princess; in like manner the most Serene King of *Denmark* and *Norway* agrees, on his Part, and the said Prince *George* promises, That all the Estate of the said Prince shall remain in the Possession of the Children born of the said Prince and Princess: Provided nevertheless, that the Succession thereto shall be according to the Laws of *Denmark*; that is to say, That a Son shall always have Double the Portion of a Daughter.

The said Articles in *Latin*.

Art. 6th.

Prædicti Dominus Rex Daniæ & Norvegiæ, ac frater ejus Dominus Princeps Georgius, per commissiones suas respective interpositas, conveniunt & consentiunt, quod infra quinque menses, postquam nuptiæ jam designatæ celebratæ fuerint, constituent, & juxta leges regni Daniæ assecurabunt, & confirmabunt, nomini doarii, certum redditum ad annum valorem viginti quinque millium imperialium ex præfectura Wahrenburgensi, & insula Femeria, ad usum & beneficium dictorum Domini Principis Georgii, & Domine Principissæ, durantibus eorum vitis: & casu quo præfatus Dominus Princeps Georgius prædecesserit, plenus ususfructus modo dictæ præfecturæ Wahrenburgensis, & insulæ Femeriæ, cum omnibus juribus, quibus Princeps jam fruitur & gaudet, ad Principissam, quoad vivit, pertinebit.

Art. 7.

Quandoquidem quoque Serenissimus Dominus Magnæ Britannię Rex, atque Dominus Dux Eboracensis, omnia a Domina



Treaty of  
Altena, &c.

a Domina Principissa illata bona ad liberos a Principe de corpore Principissæ procreandos descensura promiserunt; itaque vicissim Serenissimus Dominus Rex Daniæ & Norvegiæ consensit, & Dominus Princeps Georgius promittit, omnia dictæ Principissæ bona penes liberos e Principe & Principissa natos permansura: ita tamen ut successio in iis fiat jure Danico; nimirum, ut filius duplicem portionem filiæ semper percipiat.

The said Copy of the Earl of Nottingham's Letter to Mr. Ludolf, the 9th of July 1689.

Sir,

I have sent you the Papers I received from you Yesterday; and desire you to procure his Highness the Prince of Denmark to sign them both; and then be pleased to give them to the King, who will send them away by this Night's Post, with Instructions not to deliver the last, which contains his Highness's actual Release and Discharge of the Baillages, unless there be an absolute Necessity for it; which the Prince may be more assured of, because it is the King's Interest, his Majesty having engaged himself to procure the Payment of the Money due to his Highness, or to pay it himself, and also in the mean time to satisfy his Highness for the Interest of it. This Affair presses very much; and therefore I must again desire you to get it dispatched. I am,

Sir,

Your most humble Servant,

Nottingham.

The said Copy of the Earl of Nottingham's Letter to the Lord Godolphin, the 18th June 94.

My Lord,

I have read the Papers which your Lordship put into my Hands, relating to the Prince of Denmark's Debt, and of which you desired some Account from me: This I shall do very faithfully, and as fully as my Knowledge and Memory of that Matter will enable me.

In the Negotiation of the Adjustment between the King of Denmark and the Duke of Holstein, the Debt due to Prince George, and secured by Mortgage of some Baillages intended to be restored, was a very great Obstruction to the Conclusion of the Treaty, which, at that time, was thought very necessary for the Allies; inasmuch that Monsieur Schmettau, the Envoy of Brandenburg, was very pressing, that some Expedient might be found; which could be no other than the Payment of the Money to the Prince by the Allies, that he might quit his Pretensions to those Mortgages: The King and the States were so sensible of the Necessity of it, that his Majesty resolved to pay himself the Moiety of it; and ordered me to speak to Monsieur Dickvelt about the Method of paying the other Moiety: And he assured me, That, if the King took upon him the Discharge of the one, the States would pay, or procure to be paid, the other Moiety. It is true, he did say, The States would willingly pay a 4th Part of the Whole; and that it was just and reasonable, that the Emperor, and some other Princes, should pay another Fourth: But, because the Matter required a speedy Resolution and Dispatch, and because it could not be expected, that the Prince should be troubled with adjusting the Proportions, and much less with soliciting the Payment, from several Hands: The Result of what passed between Mr. Dickvelt and me was as I have told you. Hereupon the King commanded me to speak with the Prince; and, by his Majesty's Order, I writ that Letter of July 9th, 89, to Monsieur Ludolph; and his Highness immediately and generously signed the Release of his Mortgages; telling me, He desired no better Security than the Assurance his Majesty had given him.

After this, it was necessary, that this Debt should be stated and settled; and I believe, Monsieur De Plessen insisting too rigorously upon his Calculation of it, did a long time delay the Adjustment of it: For, by his Majesty's Command, I often writ to my Lord Duresly, to press this Matter to a Conclusion; and, by the like Command, I spoke to the Pensioner, when I attended the

King in Holland, that it might be speedily determined: Which Circumstances I mention, that your Lordship may see his Majesty looked upon himself as engaged to procure Satisfaction to his Highness; and that you may be better informed of the Result by my Lord Duresly: For either it was not finished while I was in the Office of Secretary, or I cannot recollect the stated Sum, if any has been agreed upon.

This being all that occurs to me, I return to your Lordship the Papers I received from you; and am

Your Lordship's

Most humble Servant,

Nottingham.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Papers be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

The House being informed, That Mr. Kendall attended again; he was called in: And, at the Bar, presented to the House a Transfer Book relating to the Ship *Dolphin*; which, he said, were all the Papers he hath, or had, relating to the said Ship: And then withdrew.

Dolphin  
Ship.

Ordered, That the said Books do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Petition of the Mayor, Burgesses, Freemen, and other Inhabitants, of the ancient Town of *Lyme Regis*, in the County of *Dorset*, in behalf of themselves, and many other Dealers and Workers in Bone-lace, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, since the Making of the Act for prohibiting the Importation of foreign Bone-lace, the Petitioners have found such Relief thereby, that many of them have supported their Families in the Making of Bone-lace, who otherwise must have been chargeable to their Parishes: And praying, That the said Act may be continued, notwithstanding the Petitions presented to the House for repealing the same.

Bone-lace.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Clothiers of *Salisbury* is referred.

Mr. Parkhurst, from the Commissioners of Prizes, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of such Ships and Goods taken and condemned as Prize, from the Commencement of the late War with *France* to the End thereof, which have been delivered into the Prize-office, or come to their Cognizance; together with their net Proceed, and how that Proceed hath been disposed of: And the Title thereof was read.

Account of  
Prizes.

The Account is in a Book by itself.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Petition of divers Yarn-makers, Combers, Dyers, Pressers, Callenders, and others concerned in the Woollen Manufacture in the City of *Norwich*, on behalf of themselves, and many poor People who have their Dependence upon those Employments, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by reason of the vast Quantity of *East India* wrought Silks, Bengalls, and printed and stained Calicoes, imported, and worn in this Kingdom of late Years, the Petitioners Trades are very much decayed; and, unless some Restraint be laid upon the Importation or Consumption of those Commodities, there will be such vast Quantities thereof imported, as will much more impoverish the Petitioners, if not utterly ruin them: And praying the Consideration of the House, and Relief therein.

Importing  
wrought  
Silks.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

A Petition of *Thomas Cudmore* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, having

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having a Judgment for 100*l.* against *William Miller*, a Prisoner in the *Fleet*, charged Mr. *For*, the then Warden, with an *Habeas Corpus*, to bring *Miller* up to the King's Bench Bar; but he returned a *Tarde* thereon, and an Escape to another *Habeas Corpus*; so that the Petitioner is like to have no Satisfaction from *For*, who is insolvent, who only was nominal Warden, and acted for Mr. *Tilly*, a Prisoner there at large, who said, *Miller* should be forthcoming; and that he had good Security for him: And praying, That Mr. *Tilly* may answer the Premises, and that the Petitioner may be relieved therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee relating to the Abuses of the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*.

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and Fleet  
Prisons.

A Petition of *Daniel Golding* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in *Trinity Term* last, he took *Mary Manly*, alias *Brown*, in Execution for 100*l.*; who, the same Day, turned herself over to the *Fleet*; and the Warden hath ever since granted her free Liberty; who, had she been confined, would have paid the Petitioner, she being a responsible Person: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee relating to the Abuses of the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*.

Employing  
the Poor.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom it was referred to consider of Ways for the better providing for the Poor, and setting them on Work; and who are to prepare, and bring in, a Bill or Bills; have Power to prepare, and bring in a Bill or Bills, for any particular Place or Places.

Impartial  
Proceedings  
in Parlia-  
ment.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of a Bill for the more free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Thomas Day* have Leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Serjeant *Coward* have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Bonds for  
Customs.

Mr. *Godolphin*, from the Commissioners of the Customs, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of Bonds taken for Customs in *London*, and the Out Ports, before *Christmas* 1699, and standing out the 11th of January:

And also, a Report from the Custom-house Board, relating to the same.

And the Titles were read:

And the Account and Report are as follow; viz.

The said Account:			
In the Receiver General's Hands;—			
	£.	s.	d.
For additional Duty on Wine	24,024	10	6
For additional Duty on Tobacco	78,974	6	5½
<i>Mord. Abbott.</i>			
In the Solicitor's Hands to be pro- secuted	5,096	11	10
<i>John Bridger.</i>			
In the Plantation Receiver's Hands:			
Additional Duty for Tobacco	60	1	11
<i>Hen. Wolstenholm.</i>			
In the Wine Receiver's Hands:			
Additional Duty for Wine	6,499	14	1
<i>Tho. Cooke.</i>			
In the Grand Receipt:			
For Subsidy from the <i>East India</i> Company, and additional Duty:			
For Silk and Linen from ditto	28,461	11	2
<i>Chr. Tower.</i>			

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	£.	s.	d.
Remaining for like Bonds for Wine and Tobacco, in the Out Ports, as by Accounts received from the seve- ral Collectors	23,298	3	8½
By Bills from the Out Ports in the Receiver General's Hands, not yet received	6,596	16	11½
<i>Mord. Abbott.</i>			
Total of all	£. 173,011	16	8

The said Report:

To the Honourable the Commons of *England* as-  
sembled in Parliament.

The Commissioners of the Customs, in Obedience to an Order of this Honourable House, of the 7th of December last, requiring them to lay before this House an Account of what Bonds are standing out upon the Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage, granted to his Majesty for Five Years ending the 25th of December 1699, humbly present the Abstract hereunto annexed, containing the total Sum on such Bonds standing out in the Port of *London*; and also of what remains in the Out Ports, as near as they have been informed, by their Letters from the several Collectors; amounting, together with the Bills in the Receiver General's Hands, to 173,011*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*; which appearing to be a great Sum, the said Commissioners crave Leave to acquaint this Honourable House, That the Bonds for additional Duty on Tobacco, making more than Half of the Whole, are generally given on Prospect of exporting the Tobacco of those Entries; in which Case no Money will be paid on any such Bonds, but the Merchants will discharge them, by the Debentures they are intitled to, on the Exportation of their Goods.

And, as to the Wine Bonds; though there be very little Wine exported, the Certificates of Allowances for Damages and Outs will make some Deductions from those Bonds.

Moreover it is to be observed, That the Merchants having Twelve Months time to export their Goods, the Exportations for Six Months next, will, by a Medium, bear wholly upon the Importations of the last Year, the Debentures of which will amount to a very considerable Sum: And there being no Bonds admitted for any Subsidy, but from the *East India* Company, and none standing out for the additional Duty on Silk or Linen, but from the said Company; all other Debentures for additional Duty and Half Subsidy must be paid in ready Money; for which there is no Allowance reserved in this Account, but what may be received on the Bonds: And the Debentures for Goods actually exported before *Christmas*, and not yet paid, appear, by an Inquiry the Commissioners have made upon this Occasion, to amount to near 60,000*l.* in the Port of *London* only; and, by the nearest Estimate they can make from the Accounts of the Out Ports, may be about One Tenth of that Sum: To which if there be added the Charge of the Establishment and Incidents to *Christmas*; and also the Over-payments on the Customs in several of the Out Ports, by Money borrowed from other Branches, and some Allowances made for Insolvencies; it will be found, that the Sum here appearing to be accounted for to the Customs, before the new Appropriation of the 1 took place, will but suffice to discharge the Debts that Account is subject to. However, it has been thought fit, that this Account of all Money receivable before *Christmas* be kept distinct; whereby it will appear, if there be any further Surplus, over and above the Payments here mentioned to be due out of the same, and the 218,000*l.* already paid into the Exchequer, on that Account, from this Branch of Customs.

All which is most humbly submitted to this Honourable House.

*Sam. Clark,*      *C. Godolphin,*  
*Walt. Yonge,*    *Wm. St. Quintin.*  
*T. Newport,*

*Ordered*, That the said Account and Report do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

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A Bill

Supply Bill;  
Irish For-  
feitures.

A Bill to apply all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick, was, according to Order, read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Thursday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That all the Members of the House do then attend the Service of the House.

Avon  
Navigation.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Larkner*, Mr. *George Pitt*, Colonel *Byerly*, Mr. *Saunderson*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the Act for making the River *Avon*, from *Christ Church* to the City of *New Sarum*, more effectual, is committed.

Defective  
Titles.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hysham* and Mr. *Lake* be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretences of Concealments, or other defective Titles, is committed.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Lunæ*, 15° *die Januarii*;

11° *Gulielmi Tertii.*

#### PRAYERS.

Howland's  
Estate.

A PETITION of *Benjamin Hudson* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That in February 1688, *Edward Hudson*, deceased, the Petitioner's elder Brother, purchased of his Grandfather and Father, deceased, several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, in *Leicestershire*, subject to a Mortgage for 2,150*l.* payable to *Jeffrey Howland* Esquire, and *Sam. Howland*, who are dead; and their Interest therein is descended to the Marquis of *Tavistock*, in Right of his Wife; and, the Petitioner's Brother being dead without Issue, his Title to the said Premises is descended upon the Petitioner: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill to take the Estate in Law, in the said several mortgaged Premises, out of the said Marquis of *Tavistock*, and his Wife, the Heir of the *Howlands*, they being Infants, and consenting thereto.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Ekins* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Exporting  
Wool.

A Petition of *William Woodford* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That he hath some Proposals to offer of a most sure and effectual Way of hindering the Exportation of Wool: And praying Leave, That he may make them appear, in such manner as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to examine what has been done against the Exportation of Wool; and for encouraging the Woollen Manufacture; and to report their Opinion what may be further necessary to be done.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of *George Ansley* and *Peter Lander*, Corporals to Captain *Cooper*, in the First Marine Regiment, lately commanded by the Right Honourable the Marquis of *Carmarthen*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there are severally due to them, for Subsistence and Arrears, considerable Sums of Money; and the Petitioner *Ansley* arrested Captain *Cooper*; who produced the said Marquis's Protection; and was thereupon discharged, though Application was made to the Marquis; and now pretends, that *Ansley* was a Deserter; though it appears, by the Muster-roll, that he was fairly discharged; and he can prove, that he never absented the Service: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Report be made from the Committee, to whom

the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, was referred; and who were to consider of, and report to the House, what they conceive fit to be done for the Relief of the Soldiers in general.

A Petition of *Thomas Woodward*, Joiner, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner charged *Thomas Young* in Execution in the *Fleet* for 450*l.*: But the Warden lets him have his Liberty; and the Petitioner is not able to prosecute the Warden of the *Fleet* upon an Action of Escape: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee relating to the Abuses of the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*.

A Bill for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants; and sending them whither, by Law, they ought to be sent; was read a First time.

Vagrants.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time, upon *Friday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Barnardiston*, Sir *Tho. Cook*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Kent*, Mr. *Guy*, Mr. *Henly*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath* is committed.

Avon  
Navigation.

A Petition of *Ambrose Thelwall* Gentleman, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in 1621, King *James* the First granted certain Lands in the Isle of *Wight*, called *Brading Haven*, then lately inned from the Sea, to Sir *Hugh Middleton* and others, in Fee; who conveyed the same to the Petitioner's Grandfather; who enjoyed the same till 1630, when the same was again overflowed; but, in 1657, the same was near regained by the Petitioner's Father; but not perfected, by reason of some Neglect of the Workmen: And, about Eleven Years since, the Right of the said Haven descended to the Petitioner, being then an Infant of about Ten Years old, whose Infancy hitherto hath delayed the Petitioner's Endeavours to regain the said Lands: That the Petitioner is advised, the Bill in the House for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretence of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions of the Sea, and other defective Titles, will prejudice his Right: And praying, That a Clause may be inserted therein, for saving the Petitioner's Right to the said Premises.

Defective  
Titles.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioner be heard before the said Committee thereupon.

A Petition of several Gentlemen and Landholders of *Keinton*, *Nettleton*, and *Wraaxall*, in the County of *Wilts*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill depending in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, will greatly prejudice the Petitioners, and noways be an Advantage to the Publick: And praying, That they may be heard, by their Counsel, what they have to object against the said Bill.

Avon  
Navigation.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard, by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

A Bill to enable his Majesty's natural-born Subjects to inherit the Estate of their Ancestors, either lineal or collateral, notwithstanding their Father or Mother were Aliens, was read a Second time.

Aliens  
Children.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Edward Hussey*, Sir *Abstrupus Danby*, Mr. *Dryden*, Mr. *Yates*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Thursby*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Lee*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Gurdon*, Mr. *Campion*, Mr. *Hancock*,

*Hancock*, Mr. *Rourney*, Mr. *Bullock*, Sir *John Cope*, Mr. *Osborne*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Sevenokes Roads.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen, Freeholders, and other Inhabitants, of the Counties of *Kent* and *Sussex*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Road from *Sevenokes* to *Tonbridge* in *Kent*, being the Post-road to *Rye*, *Hastings*, and *Tonbridge*, by reason of several wet Years, and the heavy Carriages constantly passing the same, are become almost impassable, though the Inhabitants have used their utmost Endeavours for preserving the same; and the Inhabitants of *Tonbridge* have, of late Years, been at great Charges in repairing the said Roads; but are utterly disabled to do the same: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for repairing the Highways from *Sevenokes* to *Tonbridge* aforesaid.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Campion* and Mr. *Brewer* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Employing the Poor.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better Relieving and Employing the Poor of this Kingdom: And the same was received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Pontefract Election.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Pontefract* in the County of *York*, be made upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Judicature for Relief of Officers and Soldiers.

Mr. *Thursby* reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Richard Nicholls*, and others, was referred; and who were, in the First Place, to consider of, and report, what they conceived fit to be done, for the Relief of the Soldiers in general; That they had considered the same accordingly; and had directed him to move, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the erecting a Court of Judicature, for the hearing and determining all Differences between the Soldiers and their Officers, touching their Pay, or other Injuries by them complained of.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the erecting a Court of Judicature, for the hearing and determining all Differences between the Soldiers and their Officers, touching their Pay, or other Injuries by them complained of: And that Mr. *Thursby* and Mr. *Hancock* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Avon and From Navigation.

A Bill for the better preserving the Navigation of the Rivers *Avon* and *Froom*; and cleansing the Streets of the City of *Bristol*; was, according to Order, read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Haw*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Freke*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Burrard*, Sir *Henry Gough*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Blake*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Mr. *Lowther*, Colonel *Lee*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Aylmer*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Duke*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Buller*, Mr. *Gerard*, Mr. *Traverse*, Mr. *Bridges*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Gloucester*, *Somerset*, and *Wilts*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Privilege—Libellous Publication.

A Complaint being made to the House of a printed Book, intituled, "An Inquiry into the Causes of the "Miscarriage of the *Scots* Colony at *Darien*; or an Answer to a Libel, intituled, A Defence of the *Scots* abdicating *Darien*;"

And a Motion being made, That the Address of the Lords and Commons to his Majesty, relating to an Act

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of Parliament passed in *Scotland* for erecting a Company trading to *Africa* and the *Indies*, be now read;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question being put, that the Debate be adjourned till *Friday* next;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Tredenham*, } 191.  
                                  { Mr. *Foley*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *White*, } 190.  
                                  { Mr. *Carter*: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Book being brought up to the Table; several Paragraphs therein were read.

Resolved, *Nemine contradicente*, That the said Book, highly reflecting upon the Honour of his Majesty, and both Houses of Parliament; and tending to create Jealousies and Animosities betwixt the Two Kingdoms of *England* and *Scotland*; is a false, scandalous, and traitorous Libel.

Ordered, That the said false, scandalous, and traitorous Libel, be burnt by the Hands of the common Hangman upon *Friday* next, at Twelve a Clock, in the *Palace Yard*: And that the Sheriffs of *London* do see the same performed.

Resolved, *Nemine contradicente*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, That he will please to issue his Royal Proclamation for the discovering and apprehending the Author, Printer, and Publisher, of the said false, scandalous, and traitorous Libel; promising a Reward to such as shall discover or apprehend such Author, Printer, or Publisher.

Ordered, That Candles be brought in.  
And they were so.

Candles.

Ordered, That the Serjeant do go into *Westminster-hall*, and Court of Request, and Places adjacent, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House.

And he went accordingly:

And afterwards returned with the Mace.

Members summoned.

The House took Notice, That the Honourable *Cha. Mountagu* Esquire, on *Saturday* last, in the Debate upon the Bill for selling the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, had said, That he had heard some Members of this House had written dishonourably of his Majesty, to the Commissioners for the Forfeitures in *Ireland*: And it being moved, That, for the vindicating the Honour of the House, the said Mr. *Mountagu* should name the Person by whom he had heard it said; and Mr. *Mountagu*, being often called upon to name the Person, did, in his Place, desire to be excused for so doing; for that the same was told him as a Secret, in private Conversation; and declared, That nothing but an Order of the House should constrain him so to do. But it being insisted, That it was for the Vindication of the Honour of the House, every Member's Reputation being concerned in so general a Report; and,

Irish Forfeitures—Words spoken by a Member reflecting on the House.

A Motion being made, and a Question proposed, That Mr. *Mountagu* should name the Person; he was heard thereupon in his Place; and insisted upon the Irregularity of such a Question, so long after the said Debate; which Matter was long debated: And afterwards other Questions were proposed, That whereas it had been suggested, or reported, that some Members, or a Member, of this House, had written dishonourably of his Majesty, to the Commissioners for *Irish* Forfeitures, That the said Report is false and scandalous.

And an Amendment or Amendments being proposed, as if the said Suggestion or Report within the House was false;

Mr. *Mountagu*, of himself, rather than have any Question to that Purpose put, for the vindicating himself, and doing Right to the Members of the House, often asserted the Truth of his being so informed; thought fit to name the Person who informed him of what he said; and



and the Person by him named was the Right Honourable *John Methuen* Esquire, Lord Chancellor of *Ireland*, a Member of the House.

And thereupon the said Mr. *Methuen* was called upon, to give an Account of what he had said to the said Mr. *Mountagu*.

Whereupon he said, That he never did tell Mr. *Mountagu*, That there was a Letter from any Member of this House containing those Expressions by him mentioned; viz. That they should not omit putting the private Estate in the Report, because that would reflect more, or most, on his Majesty, or any Expressions to that Effect; but that, indeed, he did tell Mr. *Mountagu*, That he had heard, That, amongst the Commissioners themselves, Words were spoken, to persuade the mentioning the Grant of the private Estate in the Report, to the Effect following:

That it was a villainous Grant, and would reflect more than any other.

And a Debate being in the House concerning the said Report, That a Member of this House had written dishonourably of his Majesty to the Commissioners for *Irish* Forfeitures;

*Resolved*, That the said Report is false and scandalous.

Motion in  
favour of  
Commission-  
ers.

A Motion being made, That the Four Commissioners for *Irish* Forfeitures, who signed the Report presented to this House, have acquitted themselves in the Execution of that Commission with Understanding and Integrity;

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

*Resolved*, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow, Twelve a Clock.

*Ordered*, That all the Commissioners for *Irish* Forfeitures who are in Town, and their Secretary, do attend this House To-morrow, at Twelve a Clock.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Ten a Clock.

*Martis*, 16<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

Avon Navi-  
gation.

A PETITION of his Majesty's Tenants of the Manors of *Stratton super Foss*, *Midsomer*, *Norton*, *Farringdon*, *Gurny*, *Westharptree*, *Inglescombe*, *Widcombe*, and *Laverton*, Parcel of the Duchy of *Cornwall*, near the City of *Bath*, in the County of *Somerset*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have purchased their Lands for great Fines from the Crown, and made great Improvements; but the Bill depending in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, will greatly prejudice as well his Majesty, as Lord of the said Manors, as the Petitioners: And praying, That they may be heard by Counsel, against passing of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard before them thereupon.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Inhabitants and Landholders of the Parish of *Lacock*, and Places adjacent, near *Bath*, in the County of *Wilts*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, if it should pass as now it is drawn, will be a very great Prejudice to the Petitioners, and no Advantage to the Publick: And praying, That they may be heard by Counsel, what they have to object against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard before them thereupon.

A Petition of the Merchants and Traders to *Newfoundland*, and in the Herring-fishery, living in *Bideford*, in *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by several Acts of Parliament, there is a Duty of 6s. 8d. per Bushel laid upon all Salt imported, payable within Six Months, unless exported again within that time; for Payment whereof, the Petitioners give Bonds at the Custom-house: But, by reason of the Shortness of the Time for Payment, the Petitioners are greatly prejudiced in their Trade; for that, when any Salt is imported after March, they cannot again export it till February following; so that their Bonds, being thereby forfeited, are often put in Suit against them: And praying, That the Time may be enlarged for discharging the said Duties.

Salt Duties.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Woolaston* have Leave to go into the Country for Ten Days, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Leave of  
Absence.

An ingrossed Bill for the more effectual Execution of an Act, intituled, an Act to restore the Market at *Blackwell-hall* to the Clothiers; and for regulating the Factors there; was read the Third Time.

Blackwell-  
hall Cloth  
Market.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the more effectual Execution of an Act, intituled, an Act to restore the Market at *Blackwell-hall* to the Clothiers; and for regulating the Factors there.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Eyre* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Petition of *John Dennis*, on the behalf of several Thousand Seamen, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That he being employed . . . . . Seamen and their Wives, to receive their Wages, found many unreasonable Objections made to the Payment thereof; which he is ready to make appear: And, for that Purpose, he applied to the Commissioners of the Admiralty for Redress; who referred it to the Commissioners of the Navy; but they will not meddle therewith, because the Seamen's Case is before this House: And praying, That they may be heard and relieved touching their Grievances.

Seamen's Ar-  
rears.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to such Members of this House, as are Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy: And that the Petition of the Marines, relating to the Q's and R's, be transferred from the Committee, to whom the same was referred, and also be referred to the Consideration of the said Commissioners: And that they do report to the House, how the Petitioners Cases stand.

Mr. *Jervois*, from the Committee, to whom it was referred to consider of the Petition of the Commissioners for preventing the Exportation of Wool, acquainted the House, that a Letter had been produced to the Committee, as wrote by one Mr. *Crisp* in the Country, concerning the great Charges of the Committee-rooms; which Letter the said Mr. *Crisp* owned; and said, One Mr. *Haines* had told him thereof: And that Mr. *Haines*, being examined thereto, denied the same before the Committee.

Privilege—  
Letter re-  
flecting on  
the House.

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Arthington* have Leave to withdraw his Petition, touching the Election for the Borough of *Aldborough*, in the County of *York*.

Aldborough  
Election.

Mr. *Conyers* reported, from the Committee of the Supply, whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Sum of Eighteen thousand Pounds be allowed for Bounty-money to the Officers of the Fleet.

*Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Sum of 184,342*l.* be allowed for the Ordinary of the Navy, exclusive of the Charge for registering Seamen.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Ninety Thousand Pounds, be allowed for the extraordinary Repairs of the Navy.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Commissioners of Irish Forfeitures.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate of Yesterday: And the House being informed, That Sir *Richard Leving*, Sir *Francis Brewster*, Mr. *Annesly*, Mr. *Trenchard*, and Mr. *Langford*, and Mr. *Hooper* their Secretary, attended, according to Order;

Sir *Richard Leving* was called in; and examined.

And then withdrew.

Then Sir *Francis Brewster*, Mr. *Annesly*, Mr. *Trenchard*, Mr. *Langford*, and Mr. *Hooper*, were called in; and examined.

And then withdrew:

There having been divers groundless and scandalous Aspersions cast upon *Francis Annesly*, *John Trenchard*, *James Hamilton*, and *Henry Langford*, Esquires, Four of the Commissioners for the Irish Forfeitures;

Resolution in favour of same.

*Resolved*, That the said Four Commissioners have acquitted themselves in the Execution of that Commission with Understanding, Courage, and Integrity.

*Resolved*, That Sir *Richard Leving*, One other of the said Commissioners, has been the Author of the said groundless and scandalous Reports upon the Four Commissioners before-mentioned.

One committed to the Tower.

*Resolved*, That the said Sir *Richard Leving* be committed Prisoner to the Tower of London, for the said Offence: And that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrants for that Purpose.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii*, 17<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Avon Navigation.

A PETITION of Sir *James Ash* Baronet, and Sir *Cha. Duncomb* Knight, on behalf of themselves, and divers others, whose Lands are bordering upon the River *Avon*, within the Counties of *Wilts* and *Southampton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill depending in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable between *Christ Church* and the City of *New Sarum*, will be a great Prejudice to the Petitioners Properties, and otherwise, if the same should pass: And praying, That they may be heard, by their Counsel, against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the Navigation of the River *Avon* between *Christ Church* and the City of *New Sarum* more effectual, is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

Ditto.

A Petition of the High Sheriff, Deputy Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, near the City of *Bristol* in the County of *Somerset*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, for the publick Good, the Promoting of Trade, and the many other publick Advantages, that may arise by the Bill

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depending in the House for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, they pray, That the said Bill may pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

*Ordered*, . . . . the Bill for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience within the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof, be read a Second time, upon *Friday* Morning next, in a full House.

A Petition of the Justices of the Peace, and Grand Jury, at the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace held for the County of *Gloucester*, the Ninth Day of January 1699, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Measure called Water-measure, is so incertain, that many Inconveniencies and Law-suits have arisen thereby: And praying, That a Bill may be brought in for ascertaining the same.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine, and report the Matter to the House; together with their Opinion, whether they do think it fit, That a Bill should be brought in for the Purpose aforesaid.

And it is referred to Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Stratford*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Roseland Gwyn*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Jervois*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Child*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Henly*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Lord *Cheny*, Mr. *Freke*, Mr. *Poultny*, Mr. *Whitchcot*, Mr. *Phillips*, Sir *Richard Far- rington*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Vane*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Sir *Robert Jenkinson*, and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe; and all that serve for the City of *London*, and Port Towns: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

A Petition of *Robert Colepepyr* Gentleman, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner gave Information to his Majesty, by what means the Harbour of *Rye*, and many other Harbours, are decaying; and how further Decay might be prevented, without any Charge; and that *Rye* Harbour might be much improved, if some Obstructions were removed out of a navigable Chanel there: That the Matter of the said Information was referred to the Surveyors of the Navy Board; who have reported in the Petitioner's Favour: Which Report is now before the Committee of this House, to whom the Petition of the Town of *Rye* is referred: And praying the House to consider his Services.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Town of *Rye* is referred.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to consider, and report to the House, whether it be fit, That a Bill be brought in for the ascertaining the Measures of Beer and Ale, according to sealed Measures, to be kept in every Town.

And it is referred to Mr. *Pierpoint*, Sir *Richard Far- rington*, Sir *Rowl. Gwyn*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *York*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Jervois*, Doctor *Davenant*, Mr. *Palmer*, Sir *Wm. Robinson*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Thorn- hagh*, Sir *Robert Jenkinson*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Phil. Butler*, Mr. *Dormer*, Sir *Fran. Child*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Vane*, Mr. *Dyot*, Lord *Chenie*, Sir *Cha. Windham*, Mr. *Cocks*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Perry*, Mr. *Blomefield*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Nottingham*, *Derby*, *York*, *Stafford*, *Lincoln*, *Wilts*, *Cheshire*, and *Cornwall*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, of the

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Copper  
Coinage.

the City of *Worcester*, in Council assembled, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by reason of the great Quantities of Half-pence and Farthings amongst them, great Damage is done to Trade in general; several of the Petitioners being seldom without an Hundred Pound Value of them; and younger Traders having more than Half their Stock in that useless Money, which should be employed in buying fresh Goods; but nobody will take in that Coin to any considerable Value: And praying, That there may be a Stop put to the coining any more Farthings and Half-pence, until the great Redundancy of them be something over.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill, for the restraining the coining any more Half-pence and Farthings, be brought in.

Lacy's  
Estate.

A Bill for the Sale of several Western Manors and Lands, the Estate of *Arthur Lacy* Esquire, for discharging a Mortgage thereupon; and for laying out the Surplus-money in the Purchase of Demesne Lands, to be settled to the same Uses; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Baldwin's  
Estate.

The Lord *Cheine*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better enabling *Anne Baldwin* Widow, to make Sale of a Capital Messuage and Lands called *Willons*, and other Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in the County of *Bucks*, devised to her by her late Husband's Will: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Martha Ship.

A Bill for the Ship *Martha* of *Margam* to trade as a free Ship, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Edward Stradling*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Probert*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *Abstru. Danby*, Mr. *Ryder*, Mr. *Henly*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Gerrard*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Bulkly*, Mr. *Eyres*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Pleydall*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Sayer*: And all that serve for *South Wales*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Vexatious  
Suits in  
Wales.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, That the Act of the 22d and 23d *Car. II<sup>d</sup>*, for giving no more Costs than Damages, may extend to the Principality of *Wales*, and Counties Palatine of *Chester*, *Durham*, and *Lancaster*: And that Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Morgan*, and Sir *Robert Edon*, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Avon  
Navigation.

A Petition of the Grand Jury, impanelled to serve for the Body of the County of *Wilts*, at the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace held at *Salisbury* in and for the said County, on the 10th Day of January 1699; together with the Justices of the Peace, Gentlemen, and other Freeholders there; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill depending in the House, for making the Act for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to the City of *New Sarum* more effectual, may be of great Advantage to the Country, by giving such Power to the Commissioners of the said Navigation as Commissioners of Sewers have for removing Obstructions, and preventing Inundations of the said River, whereby the Owners and Occupiers of the Lands bordering thereon have suffered great Damages; and that their Power be extended to several Parts of the several Rivers in and about *Salisbury*, running into the said River; and also that the Undertakers of the Navigation may not be suffered to mitigate the Fines imposed by the Commissioners; without which Restraint, the Petitioners are well assured, the Powers already granted the Commissioners by the former Act will become ineffectual: And praying, That the said additional Powers may be inserted in the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the City of *Westminster*, *Westminster Small Debts.* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Number of their Poor daily increaseth, by the great Decay of Credit amongst the poorer Sort of People, for want of a cheap and speedy Way of recovering small Debts, and the chargeable and vexatious Suits brought against them for the same; the Charge whereof is so great, that often the Creditor loseth both Debt and Costs, and the Debtor is thrown into Prison, and his Family falls to the Parish: To remedy which, the Petitioners conceive, the Bill now depending in the House, for the erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience within the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof, will be an effectual Means: And praying, That the said Bill may pass into a Law.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate of Yesterday, upon the Report relating to the Letter touching the Charge of the Committee Rooms. *Privilege—Letter reflecting on the House.*

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections to examine the Matter of the said Report, so far as the same relates to the Honour of the House, and of the said Committee; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Bill for the better relieving and employing the Poor of this Kingdom was, according to the Order of the Day, read the First time. *Employing the Poor.*

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon this Day Sevensnight.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to the Committee, touching the Election for the Borough of *Pontefract* in the County of *York*; and the Resolution of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz. *Pontefract Election.*

Upon the Petition of *Robert Moncton* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of *John Bright* Esquire, to serve for the said Borough:

That the Right of Election was agreed to be in such Persons as have an Inheritance or Freehold of Burgage Tenure within the said Borough:

That, upon the Poll, there was,

For Mr. <i>Bright</i>	-	-	-	72.
For Mr. <i>Moncton</i>	-	-	-	70.

But the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That, as to Eight; viz. *John Symonds*, *Sam. Hoyle*, *Ant. Hornby*, *Leonard Staples*, *Richard Franke*, *Robert Moore*, *Tho. Taylor*, *Robert Lowther*; that they ought not to be allowed upon the Sitting Member's Poll:

And that one *Edward Foster* had Right to vote, and would have voted for the Petitioner; and was refused:

That, as to the Three first, the Objection by the Counsel was, That they had lately bought their Estate of one *Routh*, which was One Burgage; but divided, upon the Purchase, to make several Votes: And for that they called

*Benezer Hebwood*: Who said, That *Symonds*, *Hoyle*, and *Hornby*, were brought to him by Mr. *Keptyn*, Steward to Mr. *Bright*; which said Mr. *Keptyn* told Mr. *Hebwood*, That Mr. *Bright* was the Purchaser; and that he must draw a Lease from the said *Symonds*, *Hoyle*, and *Hornby*, to Mr. *Bright*, for 1,000 Years; for that the Deeds were only to enable them to vote: That, accordingly, Mr. *Hebwood* said, He did prepare Three Conveyances from one *Routh*, for each Person one, the Consideration being 60, 40, and 20 *l.*: That the Conveyances were not executed before he went to *London*, which was the 22d June; but they severally paid for their Deeds: And he could not give any further Account about the Lease.

*Robert*

*Robert Ward* said, That the Grounds bought of *Rooth* lay intire together, and was but One Burgage: That there is but One House on it; and he never knew but One Vote for it.

*William Staples*, Son of *Leonard Staples*, said, That all the Freehold Lands his Father had within the Borough was conveyed to him 15 Years since.

*Hebwood* said, That *Richard Frank's* Deeds of Purchase were not intended at the time of the Election; but since, upon making his Fealty, he produced them, and they were then indented.

*Robert Ward* said, That *Mr. Bright's* Steward sent for *Mrs. Moor* to an Alehouse, and told her, He would give her 40s. if she would promise her Husband should vote for his Master; and accordingly he gave her the Money: But it was acknowleged, That *Mr. Kephyn* did say something to her of a desperate Debt; and that a Receipt was given by her for it, which was writ by one *Gargrave*, an Attorney.

*Doctor Johnson* said, That *Thomas Taylor* left all his Estate to his younger Children by his Will; but he acknowleged, That *Tho. Taylor* the Son, who voted, was an Alderman of *Pontefract*.

*Robert Ward* said, That *Lowther*, and one *Burman*, voted for One Burgage.

*William Staples* said, That *Edward Foster's* Deeds of Purchase were produced in Court at the Election; but he was refused his Vote, because his Deeds were dated Three or Four Days after the Teste of the Writ; though he yet enjoys the Estate.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel insisted, That there were Persons present at the time of the Election, on behalf of each Candidate; and that none of the Persons now excepted to, but *Staples*, were excepted to at the time of the Election: And that they would justify the Sitting Member's Votes, and disqualify 12 that voted for the Petitioner; viz.

*Thomas Picker*, *Hen. Rushworth*, *Wm. Crow*, *Rich. Nettleton* Esquire, *Jouath. Adaman*, *Elkanah Hatherwright*, *Jonath. Cressy*, *Geo. Downes*, *John Thwaytes*, *Rich. Green*, *Jos. Rothwell*, *William Watson*.

That, as to the Eight excepted to by the Petitioner, *Mr. Edmund Abbot* said, That he is Town Clerk of *Pontefract*, and took the Poll for the Mayor: That, before the Poll began, the Counsel agreed, that what Votes were excepted to, should be marked, and disputed afterwards; and that accordingly some Queries were made: But *Mr. Moncton*, as he apprehended, being satisfied with the Election, went away, without disputing them:

That there was no Exception, at the Time of the Election, to *Symonds*, *Hoyle*, or *Hornby*; and that the Estates bought by them were several Burgages, and paid several Rents: To prove which, they brought their Writings into Court, and proved them fairly executed:

That *Leonard Staples* did pay 2s. Rent for a Freehold he had; and there is no such Rent paid, but for Burgage Tenure:

That the Counsel insisted, That, in Point of Law, *Frank's* Deeds were effectual to convey the Estate, without being indented:

That *Taylor*, who voted, was an Alderman, and had been Mayor; and could not have been so, unless he had a Burgage: And that he pays Burgage-rent for his House, which he bought of his Father's Trustees:

That *Robert Lowther* and \* *Burman* bought Two several Burgages of one *Austin*; and that they paid several Rents: And that Estate had been in Two Persons before, who voted severally for it.

*Mr. Kephyn* said, That *Rooth* told him, He had Three Burgages to sell, and had great Occasion for Money; and desired him to help the said *Rooth* to a Purchaser: And that he acquainted *Symonds*, *Hoyle*, and *Hornby*, and others, with it; and did make a Bargain with the said Three Persons, without mentioning it to *Mr. Bright*: And that there was no Trust in the Case, nor any Mention made by him of any Lease to be made to *Mr. Bright*: But acknowleged, That he sold to *Mr. Rooth* certain

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Lands called the *Or Closes*, and received of *Mr. Routh* 250 l. for them

Pontefract Election.

As to the 40s. by him paid to *Moor's* Wife, he said, It was in part of Payment of a Debt owing by one *Ralph Middleton*, a Servant to his Master, which had been owing Eight or Ten Years, and was paid by the said *Mr. Kephyn*, at the said *Middleton's* Request, about a Month or Six Weeks before the Election, the said *Middleton* allowing him to deduct it out of his Wages: And the said *Mr. Kephyn* said, That, upon Paying of the said 40s. he did not ask *Moor's* Wife for her Husband's Vote, nor had any Expectation of it:

That *Edward Foster* declared himself as well for *Mr. Bright* as *Mr. Moncton*; but his Deeds being of late Date, he was not admitted to vote:

That, as to 7 of the 12 of the Petitioner's Voters impeached by the Sitting Member's Counsel; they insisted they had no Burgage Right: And called

*Thomas Taylor*: Who said, That *Thom. Picker* told him since the Election, That he had no Burgage Estate, but only to serve a Turn: Though it was acknowleged he had voted before, and was not objected to; and hath the same Burgage now that he then had; nor was any Objection made to his Vote at this Election.

*Mr. Abbott* said, That *Thomas Picker* is not entered in the Mayor's Book, as a Burgher; nor ever paid any Rent: But he acknowleged he had formerly produced his Deeds of Purchase:

That *Henry Rushworth* pays 6d. a Year; but it has been said to be for an Incroachment; and his Vote was always disputed:

That *Wm. Crow's* Burgage is in, his Mother, by way of Jointure; and was put down with a Q: But it was acknowleged, he had voted once before:

That *Richard Nettleton* Esquire, produced his Deeds at the time of the Election; which were for Part of an House that paid an intire Rent, and had not been before divided:

That *John Adaman* voted in Right of his Wife; and that the Estate was devised by her former Husband to his Children:

That, as to *Elkanah Hatherwright*; the Mortgagee was in Possession of his Burgage, and he had only an Equity of Redemption:

That *Cressy's* Mother had Half the House, and his Title always disputed:

That, as to Five others, the Sitting Member's Counsel charged them with Bribery; And called

*Thomas Smallwood*: Who said, That by one *Ward's* Order, who appeared for the Petitioner, he gave to *Elkanah Hatherwright* the Day of the Election, after the Election was over, 10 s.: That he had promised the said 10 s. before the Election, and had been repaid the same by the said *Ward*:

That *Thomas Shepley*, Steward to the Petitioner, told him, That what Money he laid out for the Petitioner, he would repay him: And that, upon the said Promise, he had laid out, in Money and Entertainments, upon *Hatherwright*, *Cressy*, *Rothwell*, *Green*, and *Watson*, the Sum of 20s.: That particularly he gave *Green* Money for his Vote: That he has demanded the 20s. by him laid out, of *Mr. Shipley*; who said, He would pay the said *Smallwood* some time or another.

*Samuel Medley* said, That, about Four Days before the Election, *Mr. Shepley* gave him 10 s.; and desired him to give it to *Geo. Downe*; and press him for his single Vote for the Petitioner: And that he did accordingly give him, the said *Downe*, the 10 s.; and pressed him for his Vote; and the said *Downe* did vote for the Petitioner.

That the Petitioner's Counsel, by way of Reply, called

*Hebbworth*: Who said, That *Thomas Picker* has a Burgage; and he had seen him do Fealty, and pay Rent; and that he drew *Picker's* Deeds of Purchase about Three Years since:

That *Stone*, who sold the Estate to *Hen. Rushworth*, had voted for that Estate:

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That



That Mr. *Crow* had voted several times.

As to *Richard Nettleton* there was no Answer.

That *John Adaman* voted, as having married *Loryman's* Widow; and is in Possession of the Estate:

That *Hatherwight's* Father made a Lease for 99 Years; and *Hatherwight* voted, as having the Fee, which he has since the Election, and sold to *Routh*: And he was not objected to:

That *Cressy's* Father died seized of  $\frac{1}{4}$  Burgage; and *Jonathan Cressy* is his Heir: But it was acknowledged, that his Mother had Two or Three Rooms in the House, separate, by his Father's Appointment.

Mr. *Tho. Shepley* denied, That he was any Steward, or other Servant, to the Petitioner; or that he ever gave *Smallwood* any Orders to lay out any Money; but, on the contrary, did receive a Letter from the Petitioner to discharge the said *Smallwood* from laying out any Money: But acknowledged, That he did give *Medly* the 10s. for *Downe*; but said, it was not for his Vote, but of his free Will, his own Money, and after the Election.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to this Resolution:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *John Bright* Esquire, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Pontefract*, in the County of *York*.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *John Bright* Esquire, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Pontefract*, in the County of *York*;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas:	{ Lord William Powlet,	} 143.
	{ Mr. Clark:	
Tellers for the Noes:	{ Mr. Freeman,	} 157.
	{ Mr. Tredenham:	

So it passed in the Negative.

The Question being put, . . . *Robert Moncton* Esquire, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Pontefract*;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Pontefract*, in the County of *York*, in the Room of *John Bright* Esquire, who is adjudged not to be duly elected.

Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Jovis, 18<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;*

11<sup>o</sup> *Gulielmi Tertii.*

#### PRAYERS.

Avon  
Navigation.

A PETITION of the Grand Jury impanelled to inquire for the Body of the County of *Wilts*, at the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, held at the City of *Salisbury* the 10th Day of January 1699; together with the Justices of the Peace, Gentlemen, and other Freeholders, then and there assembled; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners conceive, the Bill depending in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, will greatly lessen the Markets in the County of *Wilts*; and consequently lessen the Value of Lands there; the City of *Bath* being supplied by the Growth and Product of those Lands, in great measure; which the Passing of the said Bill will obstruct: And praying, That the said Bill may not pass;

it being such a Prejudice and Discouragement to the Inhabitants of *Wilts*, that their Damage will be much more considerable, than any Persons or Places can be advantaged by it.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

A Petition of several Gentlemen and Landholders in the Parish of *Bathford*, in the County of *Somerset*, near *Avon Navigation*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill depending in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, will greatly prejudice the Petitioners, if it should pass; and be no Advantage to the Publick: And praying, That they may be heard by Counsel, what they have to object against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

A Petition of the Inhabitants and Landholders of the Parishes of *Cold Ashton*, near *Bath*, in the County of *Gloucester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That if the Bill in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, should pass, it will greatly damage the Petitioners, and be no ways serviceable to the Publick: And praying to be heard by Counsel against the same.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

A Petition of the Inhabitants and Landholders of the Parishes of *Mounton Farly*, near *Bath*, in the County of *Wilts*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in the House for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*; which, if it should pass, will be a great Injury to the Petitioners; and not serviceable to the Publick, as is pretended: And praying, That they may be heard by their Counsel, what they have to object against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

A Petition of several concerned in the Woollen Manufacture, in the City of *Bristol*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That if the Bill depending in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, should pass as it now is, it will be a great Prejudice and Wrong to them: And praying, That they may be heard by Counsel against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

A Petition of the Inhabitants and Landholders of the Parishes of *Katherine*, and *Batheston*, near *Bath*, in the County of *Somerset*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill depending in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, will be to the great Wrong and Prejudice to the Petitioners, if it should pass; and not serviceable to the Publick: And praying to be heard by Counsel, what they have to object against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

A Petition of the Inhabitants and Landholders of the Parishes of *Bideston*, and *Slaughterford*, near *Bath*, in the County of *Wilts*, was presented to the House, and read; setting

setting forth, That the Petitioners are informed, there is a Bill in this House for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*; which Bill, if it should pass, as it now is, will be very prejudicial to the Petitioners; and not serviceable to the Publick, as is pretended: And praying, That they may be heard by Counsel, to shew their Objections against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

Avon  
Navigation.

A Petition of several Gentlemon and Landholders, of the Hundred of *Mahmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are informed, there is a Bill now depending in the House for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*; which Bill, should it pass, would be very prejudicial to the Petitioners, and no ways serviceable to the Publick, as is suggested: And praying, That they may be heard by their Counsel, what they have to object against the said Bill, before the same be suffered to pass this House.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

Bone-lace.

A Petition of the Mayor, Recorder, capital Burgesses, with the principal Inhabitants and Dealers in Bone-lace, within the Town of *Shafton* in the County of *Dorset*, was presented to the House, and read; . . . . . since the late Act of Parliament for the more effectual prohibiting the Importation of foreign Bone-lace, the Petitioners have found a great Increase of their Trade, to the Employment of the Poor; and that above 600 Persons in *Shafton* wholly depend on the said Manufacture; so that, if the said Act should be repealed, their Livelihood will be taken from them, and the Substance of the said Corporation will not be sufficient to supply the Wants of their Poor: And praying, That the said Act may be therefore continued.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Clothiers of *Salisbury* is referred.

Order for  
preventing  
Annoyance  
from Foot-  
men.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do take care, the Footmen, and all others, be removed from standing upon the Stairs in the Passage to the House, to prevent any Annoyance by them: And this to be a standing Order of the House.

Irish Trans-  
port Debt.

A Petition of *John Traverse*, and several Owners and Masters of Ships, on behalf of themselves, and others concerned in the Debt due for Transport Service in Reducing of *Ireland*, and other Transport Services performed in the Years 1693, and 1697, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That for the said Services, there is due to the Petitioners, in the whole, the Sum of 445,035*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.*; and no Provision is made for Payment of any Part of it, as the Petitioners conceive; only Interest at 5*l.* per Cent. for Part thereof, which will soon determine: That the Petitioners, for Want of their Money, are great Sufferers, and many of them reduced to great Extremity: And praying the House to make Provision for the Payment of their said Debt.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Answer to  
Address.

The Lord *Coningsby* acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That he would please to issue his Royal Proclamation for the discovering and apprehending the Author, Printer, and Publisher, of a false, scandalous, and traitorous Libel, intituled, "An Inquiry into the Causes of the Miscarriages of the *Scots* Colony at *Darien*; or, An Answer

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"to a Libel, intituled, A Defence of the *Scots* abdicating *Darien*;" and promising a Reward to such as shall discover or apprehend the Author, Printer, or Publisher thereof; his Majesty was pleased to say, That he would take care therein.

Mr. *Stratford*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better encouraging and settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company: And the same was received. Hamborough  
Company.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read upon *Saturday* Morning next.

A Petition of *Nathanael Hern* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Clifton Dartmouth Hardnesse* in the County of *Devon*, in the room of Sir *Joseph Herne*, deceased; and was returned by an Indenture, signed by all the capital Burgesses, save One, and most of the rightful Freemen: But *Rowland Holt* Esquire hath procured himself to be returned by another Indenture, signed by One of the capital Burgesses only, and some others not duly qualified: Both which Indentures, with the Writ for an Election, the Sheriff of *Devon* hath returned into the Crown Office: And praying the Consideration of the House therein. Dartmouth  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of all the Magistrates, save One, all the Common Council, and the greater Number of the free Burgesses, of the said Borough of *Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardnesse*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That it hath been the ancient Usage of the said Corporation for the Magistrates, or first 12 Masters, or the greater Number of them, with the Mayor, to make Freemen; which, by Vote of this House in 1689, was declared to be the Right of the said Magistrates, or Masters: Yet one *Joseph Bully*, the last precedent Mayor, with one *John Whitrow*, a Magistrate, on the 25 July last, on Pretence of a *Mandamus* out of the King's Bench Court, swore 13 Freemen of the said Borough, though protested against by all the rest of the Magistrates; by which means *Whitrow*, in a few Days after, not only got himself to be elected Mayor, and other annual Officers of his Party chosen, but did not doubt to make himself, or whom he pleased, a Parliament-man for the said Borough, in the room of Sir *Joseph Hern*, then dead; since which *Whitrow* is also dead: And though the said *Bully* hath been served with several *Mandamuses* to swear one *Caleb Rocket* Mayor, and other Officers, who were duly elected; yet he refuseth so to do, on Pretence he was not personally served with the said *Mandamus*; nor indeed could he, because he absconded till after the Returns; by which Means he not only hopes to evade the due Course of the Law, but to keep the said *Rocket*, and other Officers, from their respective Offices: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and Relief therein. Ditta.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. *Meredeth* and Sir *Richard Holford*: Barlow's  
Estate.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for confirming the Sale of the Manor of *Stansall*, and certain Tenements, in the County of *York*, made by *Tho. Barlow* Gentleman; and for settling other Lands, of greater Value, to the same Uses; and for vesting other Lands and Hereditaments in Trustees, to be sold, for purchasing other Lands, to be settled to the same Uses: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

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*Ordered*,

A Member  
discharged  
from Custody.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Trenchard*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament, be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Copper  
Coinage.

Mr. *White*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to restrain the coining any more Halfpence or Farthings: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

Mr. *Carter* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred, to state the Account of the Incumbrances upon the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, That they had stated the Incumbrances upon the Prison of the *King's Bench* accordingly; which State he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
To Charles Bodville Earl of Radnor, principal Money - - - - -	19,227	16	5½
Interest thereof - - - - -	912	6	7½
In all - - - - -	20,140	3	1

To Thomas Sevear, who hath obtained Three Judgments against Mr. *Lenthall*, subsequent to the Incumbrance of the Earl of *Radnor*, for

*Ordered*, That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

Martha  
Ship.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Richard Cocks*, Sir *John Rogers*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Sir *Edw. Hungerford*, Mr. *Lewis*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Freke*, Mr. *Blake*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Ship *Martha* of *Margam*, to trade as a free Ship, is committed.

Baldwin's  
Estate.

A Bill for the better enabling *Anne Baldwin* Widow to make Sale of a capital Messuage, and Lands, called *Wiltons*, and other Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in the County of *Bucks*, devised to her by her late Husband's Will, was, according to Order, read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Supply Bill;  
Irish Forfeitures.

A Bill to apply all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

Members  
summoned.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant do go with the Mace into *Westminster-hall*, and Court of Requests, and Places adjacent, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House.

And he went accordingly.

And, being returned, with the Mace;

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they be empowered to receive a Clause for reserving a Proportion of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland* to the Disposal of his Majesty;

It passed in the Negative.

Resolution  
respecting  
passing  
Grants.

*Resolved*, That the advising, procuring and passing the Grants of the forfeited and other Estates in *Ireland*, hath been the Occasion of contracting great Debts upon the Nation, and laying heavy Taxes on the People.

*Resolved*, That the advising and passing the said Grants is highly reflecting on the King's Honour; and the Officers and Instruments concerned in the procuring and passing these Grants have highly failed in the Performance of their Trust and Duty.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Veneris*, 19° *die Januarii*;

11° *Gulielmi Tertii.*

## PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Adventurers, Miners, and Workmen in the Coal-mines, within his Majesty's Manors of *Stratton super Fosse*, and *Farrington Gurney*, Parcel of the Duchy of *Cornwall*, in the County of *Somerset*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners hold several Coal-mines within the said Manors, by Grants from the Crown, under great Fines, and annual Rents; have been at great Charges in opening the Mines, and making Engines for draining the Water; and daily employ Hundreds of poor People in the said Works, and carrying Coals, on Horses, about into the Country, whose sole Livelihood depends thereon: But the Bill depending in the House for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, if it should pass, will utterly destroy the said Mines, and undo the said poor People: And praying, That they may be heard by Counsel against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

A Petition of the Inhabitants and Landholders of the Parish of *Bradford*, near *Bath*, in the County of *Wilt*s, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill depending in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, will, if it should pass, greatly prejudice the Petitioners; and not be serviceable to the Publick, as is pretended: And praying, That they may be heard by Counsel, what they have to object against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

A Petition of Sir *Nathanael Curson* Baronet, and *John Kent* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That King *Charles* the II<sup>d</sup>, in the 15th Year of his Reign . . . grant unto *John Harvy* and *John Coell* Esquires, and their Heirs, Two Markets, to be holden on every *Monday* and *Wednesday*, in the *Hay Market*, in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*, for the buying and selling of Cattle and Sheep: That afterwards the late King *James* the II<sup>d</sup> did grant, That the said Markets might be held on *Tuesday* and *Thursday* weekly, for ever, in *Great-Brookfeild*, in the aforesaid Parish of *St. Martin's*; the Freehold and Inheritance of which Markets is, for a valuable Consideration, vested in the Petitioners; who quietly enjoyed the same until the 13th of February last; when the City of *London*, suggesting, That King *Edward* the III<sup>d</sup>, in the First Year of his Reign, by his Charter, granted to the said City, That no Market should from thenceforth be granted *Infra septem lucas in circuitu civitatis predict'*, brought a *Scire facias* to repeal the said Grants of King *Charles*, and King *James*; That the Suppression of the said Markets will not only be a Damage to the Petitioners, who have been at great Charges in building, paving, and making other Preparations for the same, but also a very great Inconvenience to the Inhabitants near the said Market: And praying the House to take their Case into Consideration, and relieve them therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter of Fact; and state the same to the House:

And

Cattle  
Markets in  
the Hay  
Market.

And it is referred to Mr. Paget, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Cook, Serjeant Wogan, Sir Wm. Drake, Mr. Pierpont, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Eyre, Mr. Mountstevens, Mr. Osborne, Sir Robert Cotton, Mr. Carter, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. How, Mr. Gwyn, Mr. Pye, Mr. Campion, Sir John Fleet, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Cotton, Mr. Vernon, Mr. Proby, Mr. Shackerly, Sir Sam. Barnardiston, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Newport, Mr. Dyot, Doctor Davenant, and all the Members for the City of London: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Aliens  
Children.

Sir Edward Hussey reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable his Majesty's natural-born Subjects to inherit the Estate of their Ancestors, lineal or collateral, notwithstanding their Father or Mother were Aliens, was committed, That they had made an Amendment thereunto; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Framework-  
knitters.

A Petition of the Framework-knitters, inhabiting within the Counties of Nottingham, Leicester, and Derby, and other Counties adjacent, and within the Town and County of Nottingham, on the behalf of themselves, and other Members of their Trade, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Framework-knitters are a Company incorporated; and the Master, Wardens, and Assistants, living at London, do make By-laws and Orders, contrary to Law, and very unreasonable; which are very vexatious to the Petitioners, and the Traders in the Country, whom they sue at Law, if they will not comply with them: For Instance, they compel every Apprentice, when out of his Time, to go to London, though above 100 Miles from thence, to take out his Freedom; and many other Exactions are imposed on the Petitioners, to the great Decay of their Trade: And praying, That their Grievances may be redressed, and they relieved, touching the same.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter; and hear the Parties concerned; and report the Fact to the House.

And it is referred to Mr. Pierpoint, Sir Rich. Farrington, Sir Wm. Ashurst, Mr. Whitchcott, Sir Tho. Davall, Mr. Moor, Sir Fra. Blake, Mr. Carter, Mr. Duke, Sir Wm. Drake, Mr. Dyott, Mr. Bertie, Mr. Brotherton, Sir Tho. Cooke, Mr. Dryden, Mr. Perry, Sir Hen. Ashurst, Mr. Osborne, Sir Fra. Child, Mr. Smith, Mr. Mountstevens, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Bridgman, Mr. Eyres, Mr. Proby, Mr. Blake, Mr. Rayner, Mr. Stonehouse, Mr. White, Mr. Hayes; and all that serve for the City of London, and Borough of Southwark; and Counties of Derby, Leicester, and Nottingham: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And are empowered to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Qualifying  
Justices of  
Peace.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace.

Copper  
Coinage.

A Bill to restrain the Coining of any more Halfpence and Farthings, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Monday Morning next.

Vagrants.

A Bill for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants; and sending them whither by Law they ought to be sent; was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Cook, Sir Richard Farrington, Mr. Vernon, Mr. Hayes, Mr.

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Brotherton, Sir John Fleet, Mr. Smith, Mr. Proby, Mr. Clayton, Sir Wm. Ashurst, Mr. Gwyn, Sir John Bolles, Mr. Mompesson, Mr. Molyneux, Mr. Bullock, Sir Edw. Hussey, Mr. Mountstevens, Mr. Wynn, Mr. Thursby, Mr. Rayner, Mr. Ashurst, Doctor Davenant, Mr. Hamond, Sir Robert Edon, Mr. Pagit, Mr. England: And all that come are to have Voices: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

The Earl of Ranelagh, according to Order, presented Disbanding- money. to the House an Account of the Disbanding-money: money.

And also,

An Establishment of his Majesty's Guards and Garisons, and other Charges relating thereunto, commencing Establishment of Guards and Garisons. the 26th of March 1699, in the Eleventh Year of his Majesty's Reign.

And the Titles thereof were read.

The Account and Establishment are in Books by themselves.

Ordered, That the said Account and Establishment do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Ordered, That Sir Owen Buckingham, Sir Robert Edon, Mr. Lowther, Sir Robert Clayton, Sir Sam. Barnardiston, Mr. Brotherton, Colonel Drake, Mr. Mountstevens, Mr. Dyott, Colonel Perry, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of Tho. Dilks, and others belonging to the Descent-Train of Artillery, commanded by Sir Martin Beckman, is referred. Petition from Artillery Train.

A Petition of Robert Betts, and others, in behalf of themselves, and the rest of the registered Seamen, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, out of Zeal for his Majesty's Service, and in Dependence of the annual Bounty-money of 40 s. and other Privileges, by an Act made in the 7th and 8th Years of his Majesty's Reign, for the Increase and Encouragement of Seamen, did register themselves; and to support their Families, obtained Credit thereon. But the Petitioners could never get any Part of the said Bounty-money, although that Debt hath yearly been inserted in the Estimate of the general Debt of the Navy, delivered in to this House: And the Commissioners of the Navy, and Registry, inform the Petitioners, That there is no Money come to their Hands for the Petitioners; and that no Money is appropriated out of the Funds for that Purpose: And praying, That their Case may be taken into Consideration; and that they be relieved for their Bounty-money.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table; the Matter thereof being already before the Committee for the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of Greenwich Hospital do lay before this House an Account of the Sixpence per Pound, out of Seamen's Wages; and how the same hath been disposed of. Sixpenny Deduction from Seamen's Wages.

Ordered, That Mr. Serjeant Thurban have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, for Recovery of his Health. Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. How have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Ordered, That Sir William Robinson have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

A Petition of the Lord Lorne and Colonel Buchan, and the Officers of their Two Regiments of Foot, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Regiments served, during the late War, upon the English Establishment in Flanders; and, in February 1697, were disbanded, without the Officers being cleared, and paid what they served for, or any Provision made for their Subsistence, so that they are reduced to great Streights; and are the only Two Regiments in that Condition: Half-pay.



Condition: And praying, That the Singularity of their Case may be considered; and that they may be allowed the Benefit of Half-pay, as Subjects; or be cleared, as Foreigners; with a Consideration for the time they have neither had the Benefit of the one, or the other.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Matter of Half-pay be taken into Consideration.

Old East  
India Com-  
pany.

A Petition of the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London*, trading into the *East Indies*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have, of long time, been incorporated; and have considerable Estates, and great Privileges, in *India*; and have been at great Expence in building and maintaining Forts and Factories there: But, in 1693, an Advantage was taken of the Petitioners Non-payment of a Tax charged upon their whole Stock on the 25th of March; which was an Holiday, and the Exchequer not open: Yet this was insisted on as a Forfeiture of the Petitioners Charter: And, in 1693, his Majesty granted them a new Charter, with all their former Privileges: And by another Charter, of the 11th of November 1693, pursuant to the Resolutions of the House of Commons, the Sum of 744,000 *l.* was subscribed and paid, as an additional Stock for carrying on the Trade, by above 800 new Adventurers; who, by Losses at Sea and Taxes, have had no Benefit by their Subscriptions: In which last Charter is a Proviso, That the Company should submit to such Regulations as his Majesty should appoint by the 29th of September then next: And by another Charter, of the 28th of September 1694, it was declared, That if it should be made appear to their Majesties, that the said Charters, granted to the said Company, were unprofitable to their Majesties, or the Realm; then, after Three Years Warning, the said Letters Patents were to cease; and the Company to be no longer a Corporation:

That, by a late Act for raising Two Millions upon a Fund, for Payment of Annuities; and for settling the Trade to the *East Indies*; it is enacted, That all Persons, Bodies Politick and Corporate, except the Bank of *England*, who by themselves, or any in Trust for them, should subscribe any Sum of Money, should receive proportionable Annuities; and might trade yearly for so much as they subscribe, and pay to his Majesty; which Act does not determine the Petitioners Corporation; but permits them to trade for what they subscribe: That the Petitioners, at a General Court, the 3 July 1698, empowered Mr. *John Du Bois*, their Cashier, to subscribe 315,000 *l.*; which he did; and the same has been paid to his Majesty: But, the same Day the Subscription was made, the Petitioners were served with Notice, under his Majesty's Sign Manual, to dissolve their Corporation after Three Years: And, on the 27th of October following, the same Notice was served on them by Privy Seal: And the Petitioners prayed to be heard against passing the said Notice; and desired to enter Caveats at the proper Offices; but they were not admitted; and doubt not, if they could have been heard, to have made it appear, That their being a Corporation is, and has been, profitable to his Majesty, and this Realm:

That the said new Subscription, of 315,000 *l.* is the Property of above 1,200 Families; who therefore cannot manage that Trade, whereunto they are intitled, but in a Corporation; nor can the Petitioners, unless they are so continued, compel their Factors or Agents to render them any Account, or make them Returns of their Estate; which will not only ruin the Petitioners in their Fortunes, but disable them to pay their Debts: And praying, That their Case may be taken into Consideration; and that, for the Preservation of their Estates, the Payment of their Debts, and the Management of their said Subscription, they may be continued a Corporation, in such manner as to the House shall seem meet.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for continuing the old *East India Company* a Corporation: And that Sir *John Fleet*, Sir *Tho. Cook*, Mr. *Cooke*, Mr. *Bridges*, and Mr. *Moor*, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the adjourned Debate of *Monday* last, touching the Reading the Address of the Lords and Commons, relating to the Act of Parliament, passed in *Scotland*, for erecting a Company trading to *Africa*, and the *Indies*, be further adjourned unto *Thursday Morning* next.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and particularly to consider of the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom. State of Trade.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty. Supply.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the Letter of Mr. *Crispe*, lying before the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Commissioners for preventing the Exportation of Wool . . . , be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections. Privilege—Letter reflecting on the House.

*Ordered*, That all Committees are revived. Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Sabbati, 20<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;*

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

*ORDERED*, That the Bill to erect and establish a Court of Conscience, within the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof, be read a Second time upon *Wednesday* next, at Twelve a Clock, in a full House; and nothing to intervene. Westminster Small Debts.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the Borough of *Shoreham*, in the County of *Sussex*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Rye Harbour* is the only Harbour the *English* have upon the Coast of *Kent* and *Sussex*, where many Ships have been saved; and is very much decayed by the Inning of Land, and making Flood-gates and Walls cross the same; to the Prejudice of Trade and Navigation: And praying, That some Care may be taken for restoring the said Harbour to its ancient Goodness. Rye Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Town of *Rye* is referred.

A Petition of the Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Gentlemen, Landholders, and Farmers, at the General Quarter Sessions for the County of *Somerset*, held at the City of *Wells*, on the 9th Day of January, in the 11th Year of his Majesty's Reign, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners conceive, the Bill depending in the House, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Bristol* to *Bath*, will be a great Prejudice to the Petitioners: And praying, That they may be heard by their Counsel, against the said Bill. Avon Navigation.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

Sir *Charles Hedges*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the more effectual Suppression of Piracies: And the same was received, and read the First time. Suppressing Piracy.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Thursday Morning* next.

A Bill

Hamborough  
Company.

A Bill for the better encouraging and settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company was, according to Order, read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon this Day Sevensnight, at Twelve a Clock, in a full House.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Gentlemen, Merchants, Clothiers, Fullers, and others the most considerable Traders in the Woollen Manufactures, in and about the City of *Exon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners observing by the Votes of this House, that Leave is given to bring in a Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, they were exceedingly surprised, having never heard of any Petition from *Exon* for that Purpose; which was obtained in a clandestine Manner, they who got it well knowing the now Petitioners would have opposed it, as they have often done; for that Experience shews, that the Trade in the Woollen Manufactures best flourisheth with Freedom; which occasions many Buyers a current Price, and speedy Payment for them; and this hath induced the House to discourage all Monopolies, as being against Law, and destructive to the Rights and Liberties of the Subject: And praying, That their Trade may remain free, and unrestrained, from the private Interest of the *Hamborough* Company.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Gentlemen, Merchants, Clothiers, Fullers, and others the most considerable Traders in the Woollen Manufactures, in the Town of *Ottery St. Mary*, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners find by Experience, that, since the Trade in the Woollen Manufactures hath been encouraged with a general Freedom, it hath much more enlarged itself, than when confined to the narrow Limits of the *Hamborough* Company; which Freedom hath advanced the Markets here, by the Number of Buyers, and a current Price: And praying, That the Bill in the House for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company . . . . .; but that that Trade may remain unrestrained, as it now is.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Gentlemen, Merchants, Clothiers, Fullers, and others the most considerable Traders in the Woollen Manufactures, in and about the Town and Parish of *Ashburton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, there being a Bill in the House for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, the Petitioners shew, that Experience demonstrates, that the Trade in the Woollen Manufactures, now unconfined, doth best diffuse itself through all the Markets of *Europe*, the many Buyers causing a current Price, and speedy Payment for them; which hath enabled the Petitioners not only to support their own Families, but to keep many poor People at Work: And praying, That the said Trade may remain freed from obliging the private Interest of the *Hamborough* Company.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, capital Burgesses, Merchants, Clothiers, Fullers, and other Traders in the Woollen Manufactures, in the Borough of *Barnstable* in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, Leave being given to bring in a Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, the Petitioners cannot omit representing the many Obstructions that must consequently attend the Woollen Manufacture Trade, if the Bill should pass, and the Injury that will thereby happen to the Poor, for Want of Employment: And that, as nothing can better demonstrate the Increase of that Trade, than a general Liberty of Exportation; so nothing can be

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more pernicious to its Growth, than the Confinement of it to a particular Company: And praying the Continuance of a free Trade, in Opposition to all Monopolies whatsoever.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill be read a Second time.

Hambourgh  
Company.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, capital Burgesses, and other Inhabitants of the Borough and Town of *Great Torrington*, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are sensible, that the Trade in the Woollen Manufacture is best promoted and encouraged by a free Trade; but finding, by the Votes of this House, that Leave is given to bring in a Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, the Petitioners conceive, the Confinement of Trade will be very prejudicial to the Woollen Manufacture in general; and stop that Currency of Money, which a free Trade hath hitherto occasioned: And praying the Continuance of a free Trade, it being for the publick Good.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Gentlemen, Merchants, Clothiers, Fullers, and others the most considerable Traders in the Woollen Manufactures, in and about the Town and Parish of *Crediton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners find, by the Votes, that this House hath given Leave to bring in a Bill for Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company: But the Trade of the Woollen Manufacture, when attended with Freedom, and general Liberty, doth chearfully diffuse itself through the Markets of *Europe*; whereby the many Buyers have occasioned a current Price, and speedy Payment, as has enabled the Petitioners to employ many poor People: And praying, That the said Trade may remain free from the private Interest of the *Hamborough* Company.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Barlow's  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming the Sale of the Manor of *Stansall*, and certain Tenements in the County of *York*, made by *Thomas Barlow* Gentleman; and for settling other Lands, of greater Value, to the same Uses; and for vesting other Lands and Hereditaments in Trustees, to be sold, for purchasing other Lands, to be settled to the same Uses; be read upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the Sale of several Western Manors and Lands, the Estate of *Arthur Lacy* Esquire, for discharging a Mortgage thereupon; and for laying out the Surplus Money in the Purchase of Demesne Lands, to be settled to the same Uses; be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next.

Lacy's  
Estate.

Mr. *Carter*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *King's Bench* Prison; and for Dissolution of the said Prison: And the same was received.

King's Bench  
Prison.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read upon *Monday* Morning next.

Sir *Thomas Grosvenor* attending in his Place;

Privilege of  
a Member in  
a Suit.

The Petition of *William Monson* Esquire, and others, relating to him, was read; setting forth, That the said Sir *Tho. Grosvenor*, by Indenture, dat. 31 Jan. 1692, demised to *Phineas Bowles* and *John Blunt* all that Part, which was then unset, of the Lead Mine, called the *Old Rake*, on *Halken Mountaine*, in the County of *Flint*: And, in 1694, the Petitioners purchased the said Lease with the Privy of Sir *Tho. Grosvenor*; and have expended above 1,000*l.* in performing the Conditions of the Lease: Yet several Persons, pretending to be empowered by Sir *Tho.* have entered upon the demised Premises, and dug, and carried away, to their own Use, Ore, to a very great Value;

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Value; and still continue so to do; and maintain their Possession by Force; of which Riot they were convicted the last great Session for the County of *Flint*: That the Petitioners have exhibited a Bill in Chancery against Sir *Thomas Grosvenor*, and the rest; and Sir *Tho.* insisted upon his Privilege of Parliament, for himself, and all the Defendants; though some pretended to have Grants, and others are not otherwise his Servants, than as they are Miners and Labourers on the Mountain; saying, This House could not oblige him to wave the same without his Consent; which, the Petitioners conceive, he has since given, by appearing in the Court of Chancery, and consenting to answer: But, those Answers being referred to a Master in Chancery, as insufficient, Sir *Thomas* again insisted on Privilege; and said, He would do so until this House should give him Leave to wave the same; which unless done, will be a great Oppression, and Ruin to some of the Petitioners: And praying, That Sir *Thomas Grosvenor* may wave his Privilege in the said Cause, that so the Petitioners may be at Liberty to recover their just Rights.

And Sir *Thomas Grosvenor* was heard in his Place thereupon: And he made a Complaint to the House of a Breach of Privilege committed against him by *Arthur Barker, Joseph Cruchly, John Tho. Evans, Francis Snat, Tho. Lloyd, Mr. Sam. Davis, Mr. Hornsby*, and others, for entering upon his Possession, and taking away his Lead Ore from off his Estate.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition, and Complaint, be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do hear the Parties concerned; and examine the Matter; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made upon *Monday Morning* next.

Half-pay.

Mr. *Conyers* also reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move, That a particular Committee may be appointed to inspect the Papers relating to the Half-pay.

Ordered, That a particular Committee be appointed to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay:

And it is referred to Mr. *Harley, Sir John Mordent, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Rowney, Mr. Sloane, Sir Godfrey Copley, Sir Robert Davers, Sir Jos. Tredenham, Mr. Cotton, Mr. Moore, Mr. Hamond, Sir Theo. Oglethorp, Sir John Bolles, Sir Chr. Musgrave, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Foley, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Vernon, Lord Powlet, Mr. Mounsteven, Mr. Osborne, Sir Tho. Wagstaff, Doctor Davenant, Mr. Dormer, Sir Fra. Blake, Mr. Erle, Mr. Secretary Vernon, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Scobell, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Bullock, Earl of Dysert, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Bridgman, Mr. Blathwaite, Earl of Ranelagh, Colonel Webb*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Wednesday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Thetford Election.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Thetford* in the County of *Norfolk*; and also

the Report touching the Committee Room; be made upon *Monday Morning* next.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday Morning*, Eight a Clock.

*Luncæ, 22° die Januarii;*

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

## PRAYERS.

MR. *Clark*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to naturalize *Francis Vandertijd*: Vandertijd's Nat.  
And the same was received, and read the First time.  
Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Mayor, Burgessés, and principal Inhabitants, of the Town and Borough of *Totnesse*, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, Leave being given by this House for bringing in a Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough Company*, the Petitioners are informed by the chief Traders in the Woollen Manufactures about *Totnesse*, That they have received great Encouragement in their Trade since the former Restraint hath been taken off, and a free Trade allowed: And although it be offered by the said Bill, that any *Englishman* may come into the said Company; yet the Petitioners are sensible it must be attended with many Inconveniencies and Obstructions to that Trade in general: And praying, That the Woollen Manufacture Trade may remain free and unrestrained. Hamborough Company.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Traders, Shipmasters, Shipwrights, and Mariners, of the Town and Parish of *Topsham*, on behalf of themselves, and other Places adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, during the late... the Petitioners lost above a Hundred Sail of Ships; and since the Peace was concluded, and the free Exportation of the Woollen Manufactures, have had several Ships employed in carrying great Quantities thereof to *Hamborough*: But, the Petitioners finding, by the printed Votes, that this House hath given Leave to bring in a Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough Company*, upon a Petition from the City of *Exeter*; they believe the Petition was clandestinely obtained, they never hearing thereof, though frequently at *Exon*: And for that they conceive the said Bill will destroy their Navigation to *Germany*, they pray, That the Freedom of Trade in the Woollen Manufactures may be continued, as now established by Law. Ditto.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the High Sheriff, several other Gentlemen, Clothiers, and others concerned in and for the Woollen Manufactory in the County of *Somerset*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Foreigners, having of late Years been permitted to export our Woollen Manufactures beyond Sea, upon equal Terms with *English* Merchants, have gotten most of that Trade into their own Hands; whereby they have gained Opportunities of causing our Manufactures to be debased, and exported almost unmanufactured; of governing our Markets; and making long Payments; and imposing other Hardships and Hazards upon the Woollen Manufactures: And praying, That Provision may be made for encouraging his Majesty's natural-born Subjects to export our Woollen Manufactures to *Germany*, and keeping that Trade from falling into the Hands of Foreigners. Ditto.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough Company* be read a Second time.

A Petition of *John Degrave* and *Francis Minshall*, in behalf of themselves, and others, Owners of the Ships taken up by the Transport Commissioners to carry Provisions to *Newfoundland*, was presented to the House, and read; Transport Debt.

read; setting forth, That, upon the Refusal of other Merchants, the Petitioners, in July 1697, contracted with the said Commissioners to perform the said Service; which they completely performed, as may appear by their settled Accounts; but they cannot get any other Satisfaction for the same from the said Commissioners, or the Lords of the Treasury, than that they tell the Petitioners, there is no Money appropriated to pay them: And praying the Consideration of the House, so as they may be paid for the said Service.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to such of the late Commissioners for Transportation as are Members of the House, to examine, and state to the House, how the Matter relating to the Petitioners stands; and the Reason why the Petitioners are not satisfied.

Disclosing  
Conveyances  
Incum-  
brances, &c.

A Petition of several of the trading Inhabitants of the West Riding of the County of *York*, on behalf of themselves, and the rest of the Traders and Inhabitants, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners being great Dealers, especially in the Cloathing Trade, have frequent occasions to borrow Money; and though they offer good Security, yet they find it difficult to satisfy the Lender; whereby the Petitioners are often disappointed of Money; which they conceive would be remedied, if some way were established, that future Conveyances, Incumbrances, and Securities, might be found out, or made publick: And praying the Consideration of the House therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

Blackwell-  
hall Sloop.

A Petition of the Owners of the *Blackwell-hall* Sloop, commanded by Captain *John Edwards*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, being sensible of the great Decay of Trade by the Exportation of Wool; and the Omission of arming our Frigates and Sloops, to prevent the same, pursuant to a late Act of Parliament; did, by a voluntary Consent, purchase, and fit out, the said Sloop and Captain; who, proving very faithful and serviceable therein, was received into his Majesty's Pay; and further manned and victualled for the Service the Sloop was purchased for; but, to the great Surprize of the Petitioners, her Men are reduced; and she is ordered to be a Tender to a Flag; to the great Disappointment of the said Captain, and the Petitioners: And praying the House to give such Orders therein, as shall be thought meet.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to such of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty as are Members of this House, to examine, and report to the House, how the Petitioners Case stands.

Ease of Sher-  
iffs.

A Bill for the greater Ease of Sheriffs in the Execution of their Offices, and passing their Accounts, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Member  
discharged  
from Custody.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Darrell*, in Custody of the Sergeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament, be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Half-pay.

A Petition of Captain *William Davison* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner had, the last Session, Three times, the Votes of this House in his Favour, as being an *Englishman*, though a Captain in a *Scotch* Regiment; but by a subsequent Vote, the *Scotch* being excluded the Benefit of Half-pay, the Petitioner could not get his Name into the List; whereby he is not only deprived of a present Subsistence, but also of future Preferment, because no Officer is to be taken into Service again, but such as are in the said List: And praying, That he may be admitted to enjoy his Part of that Bounty, which the House so graciously designed for the Subjects of *England*, who served in the late War.

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*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, with the other Petitions relating to Half-pay.

A Petition of the Clothiers of the Army was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, that there are Arrears due to them for 98, for which no Provision is yet made; and the Petitioners have lately engaged their Stocks and Credits in cloathing the present Land Forces, not doubting but Provision had been made by the late Act for Payment of the Off-reckonings for the Year 1699; but they are informed there is none made: And praying, That they may be relieved for their said Arrears; and such Provision made for the Year 1700 as the House shall think meet.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

The Earl of *Disert* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable *Thomas May* Gentleman to sell Lands in the County of *Suffolk*, which were settled upon his First and Second Marriage; and to convey other Lands, of a greater Value, in the same County, to the same Uses; was committed; That they had examined the several Deeds and Settlements mentioned in the Bill: And that the several Persons concerned had given their Consents to the same: And that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of Colonel *Samuel Venner*, late Governor of his Majesty's Hospital for sick and wounded Men in *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is due to the Petitioner for the said Service, 1,099 *l.* 2 *s.* 5 *d.*; whereof 487 *l.* 2 *s.* 6 *d.* was advanced, and laid out, by the Petitioner, for the necessary Subsistence of the said Hospital; for which he hath the Earl of *Athlone's* Warrant, dated 27 November 1691, who was then Commander in Chief; and the Remainder is due for his Salary; as may appear by his Accounts, stated by the Commissioners of Accounts in *Ireland*; and by a Report of August 1695, made by *Charles Fox* Esquire, upon a Reference to him from the Treasury: For the obtaining of which Monies, the Petitioner hath made all due Application; but can have no Relief: And praying, That Provision may be made for Payment of the said Debt.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Arrears due to the *Irish Army* be taken into Consideration.

A Petition of *William Puryour*, Glazier, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner did, the last Session of Parliament, petition this House to be relieved against Mr. *Ford*, the now Warden of the *Fleet*, for letting *Thomas Yong*, in Execution at the Petitioner's Suit, for above 80 *l.* have his Liberty; but the Petitioner hath obtained no Satisfaction therein, though he hath been at great Charges in prosecuting one *Fox*, a former Warden, for the said Escape: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises, he being otherwise remediless.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed in relation to the Abuses of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* Prisons: And that they do examine the Matter; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That the Committee to whom the Petition of the Clothiers of *Salisbury* is referred, do sit *de die in diem*; And that Mr. *Berrie*, and all the Members that serve



serve for the County of *Salop*, and *North Wales*, be added to the said Committee.

Lacy's Estate.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for Sale of several Western Manors and Lands, the Estate of *Arthur Lacy* Esquire, for discharging a Mortgage thereupon; and for laying out the Surplus-money in the Purchase of Demesne Lands, to be settled to the same Uses; be read To-morrow Morning.

King's Bench Prison.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *King's Bench* Prison; and for Dissolution of the said Prison; be read To-morrow Morning.

Copper Coinage.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to restrain the Coining any more Halfpence and Farthings be read To-morrow Morning.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding 300,000 *l.* be granted to his Majesty, for maintaining Guards and Garisons, for the Year 1700.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, that Half-pay be allowed, for the Year 1700, to the disbanded Officers, not otherwise provided for, according to the Vote of the 29th of April 1699.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Twenty-five thousand Pounds be allowed for the Office of the Ordnance, for the Year 1700.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ways and Means.

*Resolved*, That this House will upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Thetford Election.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, specially, touching the Election for the Borough of *Thetford* in the County of *Norfolk*; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Upon the Petition of *Edmund Soame* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of *James Soame* Esquire to serve for the said Borough:

The said Committee, before they came to any Resolution upon the Merits of the Election, directed the following Fact to be reported for the Judgment of the House:

That the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That several Persons ought to be added to the Petitioner's Poll, who offered to vote for the Petitioner, and were refused by the Mayor; viz. *Edward Freeman*, and others:

That the Fact appeared to be thus: The Right of Election was agreed to be in the Mayor, Ten capital Burgesses, and 20 Common Councilmen:

That *Edward Freeman* was removed from his being a Common Councilman, because he had not signed the Association within the time prescribed by the Act; and another was sworn into his Place. *Freeman* himself, being examined, said, That he signed the voluntary Association; and had also signed the Association, according to the Act; but could not say whether it was before or after the Election: That he never refused to sign the Association: And, if he did not sign it in time, it was because no Session was held, at which he could regularly do it; and that he was out of Town, when it was done by the others: And that the Petitioner's Counsel further insisted, That,

if the said *Freeman* had not subscribed the Association in time, those who voted for the Sitting Member were guilty of the same Fault:

That thereupon the Sitting Member's Counsel, by way of Answer to the said Objection, and to justify the Sitting Member's Voters, produced the Sessions Roll, whereon the Corporation had signed; which is introduced in these Words:

"Borough of *Thetford*: At a general Quarter Sessions of the Peace, holden for the Borough aforesaid, at the Guild-hall of the said Borough, upon *Monday* the 22d Day of June, in the 8th Year of the Reign of King *William* the III<sup>d</sup>, and in the Year of our Lord 1696, and so continued, by several Adjournments, until the 3d Day of August then next following; the Association underwritten was subscribed to, by the several Persons as underwritten, according to an Act of Parliament, made in the 7th and 8th Years of the Reign of the present King *William*, intituled, An Act for the better Security of his Majesty's Royal Person and Government."

That the Sitting Member's Counsel offered to prove by Witnesses, That the said Persons had subscribed the Association in time, according to the said Act of Parliament: But, that Sort of Evidence being objected to, the Committee ordered the special Matter of Fact to be reported to the House.

*Ordered*, That the Merits of the said Election, together with the Matter of the said Report, be heard at the Bar of this House, upon *Friday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Report relating to the Committee Room be made To-morrow Morning.

A Report deferred.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and particularly to consider of the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of the Kingdom.

State of Trade.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That the Commissioners of the Customs may lay before this House an Account of what Quantity of Silver hath been exported since *Michaelmas* 1697; and by whom; and to what Place.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of the Customs do lay before this House an Account of what Quantity of Silver hath been exported since *Michaelmas* 1697; and by whom; and to what Place.

Colonel *Granville* also acquainted the House, That the Committee had directed him to move the House, That the Commissioners of the Customs may lay before this House an Account, what the Duties of the Woollen Manufactures exported in the Year 1698, do amount to.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of the Customs do lay before this House an Account, what the Duties of the Woollen Manufacture exported in the Year 1698, do amount to.

Colonel *Granville* also acquainted the House, That the Committee had directed him to move the House, That the Commissioners of the Customs may lay before this House an Account of all the *Italian* Manufactures that have been imported and exported in the Years 1698, and 1699.

*Ordered*, That the said Commissioners do lay the said Account before this House.

Colonel *Granville* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move the House, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and particularly to consider of the encouraging

encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom; and nothing to intervene.

Committees. *Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Martis, 23° die Januarii;*

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

King's  
Bench and  
Fleet Prisons.

MR. Carter reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to state the Incumbrances upon the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, That they had stated the Incumbrances upon the *Fleet* accordingly; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

To <i>Thomas Holmden</i> and <i>Richard Short</i> , who married the Two only Daughters and Administratrixes of <i>Antony Smith</i> , deceased; principal Money	£.	s.	d.
Interest thereof from the 15th of December 1683, to the 14th of December last	425	11	3
	408	0	0

Principal and Interest - - £. 833 11 3

To *John Clements*; by Mortgage from the 3d of May 1678; in Trust for several; viz.

For Five Sisters of Sir <i>Edward Low</i> , deceased; principal Money	1,842	0	0
Of which Mr. <i>Tilly</i> paid	250	0	0

Principal remaining	1,592	0	0
Interest of the said Remainder, from the First of July 1694, to the said 14th of December	520	18	1½

TOTAL - - - £. 2,112 18 1½

But the said Five Sisters now claim Interest of the said 1,842*l.* principal Money, from the said Third of May 1678, to the said First of July 1694, amounting to about 2,000 *l.*; because the Principal was not paid, pursuant to Agreement, as mentioned in a former Report made to the House, stated to the 14th of December last.

For <i>Dorothy Baxter</i> , her Executors, Administrators, and Assigns; principal Money	£.	s.	d.
Interest thereof to the 14th December last	250	0	0
	325	4	2

TOTAL - - - £. 575 4 2

To the said <i>John Clements</i> , upon the said Mortgage; principal Money	207	0	0
Interest thereof, as aforesaid	281	8	8

TOTAL - - - £. 488 8 8

*Ordered*, That the said Report do lie upon the Table until a Bill be brought in touching the said Prison.

Beer and Ale  
Measure.

Mr. *Pierpoint* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to consider, whether it be fit a Bill be brought in for the ascertaining the Measures of Beer and Ale, according to sealed Measures, to be kept in every Town, That,

1st, It appears to the Committee, That Incertainty, now at present, through the Kingdom, in all Measures, is of evil Consequence.

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2dly, That such Measure brings a Prejudice upon all the Labourers and Manufacturers of *England*.

3dly, That small Measures, by which Beer and Ale is sold, hinders the Consumption of Malt; which is hurtful to the Landed Interest: And hinders the Consumption of Drink; which is prejudicial to the King's Revenues.

For which Reasons the Committee think it fit, That there should be a sealed Measure for Beer and Ale throughout the Kingdom: And that a Bill be brought in for that Purpose.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the ascertaining the Measures of Beer and Ale, according to sealed Measures, to be kept in every Town: And that Mr. *Pierpoint* and Mr. *Scobell* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Mannaton*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for absenting himself from his Service in Parliament, be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees. A Member discharged from Custody.

A Petition of *William Warner* Gentleman, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Town of *Deal* hath always been in want of wholesome Water to their own, and his Majesty's, and all other Ships that come to the *Downes*: And the Petitioner having found out a Method, which has already cost him several Hundred Pounds, and will do more, and which, the Inhabitants are satisfied, will effectually supply their Occasions; and is also encouraged by the Archbishop of *Canterbury*, who is chief Lord of the Soil; the Petitioner prays, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the bringing fresh Water to the said Town of *Deal*. Deal Water-works.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Brewer* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Capital Burghesses, and others, Inhabitants of the Borough and Town of *Weymouth* and *Melcomb Regis*, in the County of *Dorset*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That \* \* \* \* \* Petition from Weymouth.

... That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to such of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, who are Members of the House: And that they do report to the House how the Petitioners Case stands.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better enabling *Anne Baldwin* Widow, to make Sale of a Capital Messuage and Lands called *Wiltons*, and other Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in the County of *Bucks*, devised by her late Husband's Will, be read a Second time To-morrow Morning. Baldwin's Estate.

A Petition of Captain *Thomas Morgan*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner hath served the Crown of *England* 18 Years, 12 of which as an Officer; and, after the Battle of *Landen*, was made a Captain in the Lord *Charlemont's* Regiment; and in June 1697, at *Waterford* in *Ireland*, a Quarrel happening between the Petitioner and Cornet *Nesbit*, wherein both were run through the Body, and, recovering, were very good Friends afterwards; but the Matter being misrepresented to the Earl of *Galloway*, he declared he would break the Petitioner; and directed a Court Martial; but afterwards ordered it to desist; and in few Days after, by the Allegations of the said Earl, the Petitioner was superseded by a Commission from *England*, without being ever heard; and Captain *Harris*, who was in the Conspiracy against his Majesty, had the Commission, and the Half-pay, though the Regiment was broke before he could join it: And praying, That the Petitioner may be admitted into the List of Half-pay after so many Years Service, his Family being in a starving Condition. Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, with the other Petitions relating to Half-pay.

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A Bill

King's Bench  
Prison.

A Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *King's Bench* Prison; and for Dissolution of the said Prison; was, according to Order, read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Monday Morning next.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

A Petition of the Gentlemen, Merchants, and Tradesmen, within the Counties of *Cambridge* and *Huntingdon*, in behalf of themselves, and others, within the said Counties, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners in their Dealings contract great Debts, for Recovery whereof they often bring Actions; and, after expensive Suits and Executions, their Debtors convey away their Effects, remove themselves to the *Fleet* or *King's Bench* Prisons, and, by Practices with the Keepers thereof, immediately return into the Country again, and live in Defiance of their Creditors; by whose Examples others are encouraged to spend their Creditors Money, and make a Jest of the fruitless Expence at Law for Recovery thereof, to the great Inconveniency and Damage to Trade in general: And praying the House effectually to prosecute the Considerations they have already begun, relating to the Abuses of the said Prisons.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *King's Bench* Prison; and for Dissolution of the said Prison; be read a Second time.

Ouze  
Navigation.

Mr. *Jenkins*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for cleansing, and making and keeping more navigable, the River *Ouze*: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read upon Thursday Morning next.

Hopwood's  
Marriage  
Settlement.

*Ordered*, That all the Members that serve for the Counties of *Salop* and *Hereford* be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for rectifying a Mistake in the Marriage Settlement of *Tho. Hopwood* Gentleman on *Eliz.* his Wife, is committed.

Defective  
Titles.

A Petition of Sir *Solomon Swale* Baronet, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, and his Ancestors, for above 400 Years, have been seised, in Fee, of the Manor of *West Grinton*, and certain Lead Mines in the Wastes thereto belonging, in the County of *York*; and they quietly enjoyed the same till 1696; when Mr. *Reginald Marriot*, by Petition in the Name of *George Tussingham* to the Lords of the Treasury, suggesting that the said Mines belonged to the Crown, and were concealed, obtained a Lease thereof; and, by several undue Practices, hath ousted the Petitioner of his Possession: That the Petitioner hath lately proceeded at Law to recover the said Mines; but is informed, the Bill depending in the House for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretences of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other defective Titles, will prejudice the Petitioner's said Prosecution: And praying, That he may be heard by his Counsel, before the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioner be heard, by his Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of the Commanders, and other Officers of the several *Scots* Regiments, employed during the late Wars, upon the *English* Establishment, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is an Arrear of Pay due to them for Seven Years, besides Subsistence, and other Contingents; and *Germans, Danes*, &c. having been cleared off, when sent home; the Petitioners, who have served with as much Zeal, hope they shall meet with the like justice, that they may be able to pay their Debts, which they have contracted for want of what is due to them: And praying the House to take their Case into Consideration, and relieve them therein.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Arrears due to the Army be taken into Consideration.

A Petition of several Engineers, who are now broke, and not otherwise provided for, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have served the Government all the late War, and contracted several Debts in the Performance of their Duty, for which their Creditors threaten to imprison them; and, though the Lord *Ranelagh* has laid before this House an Account of the Arrears of the Army, the Petitioners do not find their Debt particularized therein, which amounts to 5,268 *l.* 17 *s.* as appears by the Account annexed to the Petition: That the Petitioners are most Foreigners, though naturalized; and quitted their Estates and Country, on Account of their Religion; and have nothing to subsist on but the Credit of their Pay: And praying, That their Circumstances may be taken into Consideration; whereby the Petitioners may be as well provided for, as other Officers of the Army.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Arrears due to the Army be taken into Consideration.

A Petition of *Edward Hobson*, late Mayor of the Town and Borough of *Newark*, in the County of *Nottingham*, in the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That he is highly sensible of his having incurred the Displeasure of this House; and that he is a poor Man, and hath a great Charge of Children: And praying, That his Circumstances may be considered; and that he may be discharged from his Confinement.

*Ordered*, That the said *Edward Hobson* be brought to the Bar To-morrow Morning, in order to his Discharge.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, Assistants, and Common Council, of the Borough of *Colchester*, in the County of *Essex*, on the behalf of several Thousands free Burghers, and other poor Inhabitants of the said Town, was presented to the House:

And the Question being put, That the Petition be brought up to the Table;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Mr. Lowther,	} 110.
	{ Mr. Molineux:	

Tellers for the Noes,	{ Sir Cha. Turner,	} 101.
	{ Mr. Hoblyn:	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Petition was brought up to the Table accordingly, and read; setting forth, That the Miseries the Poor of the said Town, who are very numerous, underwent, were chiefly occasioned by the Dearness of Bread and Beer Corn; but the Petitioners are very sensible, that the Act for prohibiting the Exportation of Corn, Malt, Meal, &c. from the 10th of February 1698, which is near expiring, was a great Relief to their Poor; and fear, if the same should not be continued, their former Miseries will return upon them, by the Exportation of Corn by Men greedy of their own private Gain: And praying, That the said Act may be continued for some time longer, as the House shall think fit.

And the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition, for prolonging the Time for the prohibiting the Exportation of Corn, Malt, Meal, &c.

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Mr. Brotherton,	} 145.
	{ Sir John Bolles:	

Tellers for the Noes,	{ Mr. Gwyn,	} 145.
	{ Mr. Nicholas:	

So the Voices were equal:

Whereupon Mr. Speaker declared for the Yeas.

Whereupon

Whereupon it was *Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition, for prolonging the Time for the prohibiting the Exportation of Corn, Malt, Meal, &c.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Thomas Cook* and Sir *Isaac Rebow* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Committee of Privileges.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Committee Room, be made To-morrow Morning.

Supply Bill; Irish Forfeitures.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof; and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown within that Kingdom; since the Thirteenth Day of February 1688; to the Use of the Publick.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

Committees not to sit till revived.

*Declared*, That it be the standing Order of the House, That, when all Committees are adjourned at the Rising of the House, no Committee ought to sit until after they shall be revived again.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii, 24<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;*

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

*Francis Vandertijd* and *Angueta Vandermerish* took the Oaths appointed in order to their Naturalization.

Dartmouth Election.

A Petition of *Rowland Holt* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That he was duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Clifton Dartmouth Hardnesse*, in the County of *Devon*, in the room of Sir *Joseph Hern*, deceased; and was returned as such to the Sheriff of *Devon*, by the old indisputable Freeman, the Mayor dying the Day before the Election; but *Nathanael Hern* Esquire hath also procured himself to be returned to the Sheriff by another Indenture, signed by some of the Electors; though the Petitioner had the Majority, yet the said Sheriff hath returned both the Indentures to the Crown Office: And praying the Consideration of the House therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Transport Debt.

A Petition of *John Lyndall* and others, in the Name of themselves, and several others, Masters and Owners of Ships belonging to the Port of *Kingston upon Hull*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in 1693, the Petitioners contracted with the Transport Commissioners; and were to be paid for their Service within a Month after their Discharge, or to have Interest till paid off; and according . . the Petitioners were employed; and there remains due to them very considerable Sums, for want whereof many have been ruined, and the

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rest are great Sufferers thereby: And praying, That they may be relieved for the Money due to them for the said Service.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

A Petition of *Thomas Daryes*, late Adjutant to the Half-pay. Regiment of Horse commanded by Brigadier *Windham*; and of *William Buckingham*, late Adjutant to the Regiment of Horse commanded by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Macclesfield*; and of *Farranse Mahun*, late Adjutant to the Regiment commanded by the Right Honourable the Lord *Windsor*; and of *Daniel Crispin*, late Adjutant to the Regiment commanded by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Arran*; and of *John Topham*, late Adjutant to the Regiment of Dragoons commanded by the Right Honourable the Lord *Raby*; and of *John Oliver*, late Adjutant to the Regiment of Dragoons commanded by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Essex*; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners were disbanded the last Day of July, though Commission Officers; and Quarter-masters, though but Warrant Officers, are still continued; and Adjutants to the Guards, and Two Regiments of Horse: That the Petitioners Pay was but 5 s. a Day, and each constrained to keep a Servant, and Two Horses; and, being in continual Expectation of Preferment, have contracted Debts, and reduced themselves so low, that they have not wherewithal to subsist themselves and Families: And praying, That they may be admitted into Half-pay in the room of such Officers as are deceased, or provided for, since the Reduction.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table with the other Petitions relating to the Half-pay.

Mr. *Thursby*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for erecting a Court of Judicature to relieve poor Officers and Soldiers, touching their Pay detained from them, and other Injuries complained of: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon this Day Sevensnight.

A Petition of *Peregrine Bertie* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner's Grandfather Sir *Peregrine*, in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of King *Charles* the First, did purchase from the Crown several Salt Marshes, and derelict Lands, in the Counties of *Lincoln* and *Cambridge*, for 7,400 l. really paid into the Exchequer; Part of which is enjoyed by the Petitioner, and the Residue is still in Question by the Petitioner; whose Right thereto may, as advised, be prejudiced by the Bill in the House for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretences of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other defective Titles: And praying to be heard what he hath to offer for saving his Right to the said purchased Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioner be heard before the Committee, thereupon.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee do sit *de die in diem*.

*Edward Hobson*, late Mayor of *Newark*, was, according to Order, brought to the Bar: Where he, upon his Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker.

*Ordered*, That the said *Edward Hobson* be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

A Bill for the better enabling *Anne Baldwyn* Widow to make Sale of a capital Messuage and Lands called *Wilttons*, and other Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in the County of *Bucks*, devised by her late Husband's Will, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*,



*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Lord *Chenie*, Sir *Tho. Wagstaffe*, Sir *Richard Farrington*, Mr. *Morgan*, Mr. *Thursby*, Sir *Abstr. Dunby*, Mr. *Price*, Mr. *Dyott*, Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *Mountstevens*, Sir *John Fagg*, Sir *Fran. Windham*, Mr. *Foley*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Archdale*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Proby*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Mountague*, Sir *Roxland Gwyn*, Mr. *Gorge*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Orme*, Lord *Cavendish*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Carter*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Copper  
Coinage.

A Bill to restrain the Coining any more Halfpence or Farthings, was read a Second Time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *White*, Sir *Edward Hussey*, Mr. *Hamond*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Thursby*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Cholmly*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Sir *Walter Yonge*, Mr. *Clark*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to discharge the Patentees from the Obligation they are under to change White Farthings and Halfpence, whilst they are prohibited coining Halfpence and Farthings.

*Ordered*, That the Patentees do lay before the Committee their Patent: And that they do give an Account to the Committee, how far they have complied with their Obligation of changing the White Farthings and Halfpence; and report the same to the House: And they are to have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Lark  
Navigation.

Mr. *Harvey*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for making the River *Lark* alias *Burn* navigable: And the same was received.

*Resolved* That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Privilege—  
a Person  
petitions for  
Discharge.

A Petition of *Simon Harcourt*, of *Lincoln's Inn Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, Esquire, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for his Contempt, and Breach of the Privilege, of this House, for assaulting, and otherwise affronting, Sir *John Phillips*, a Member of this House, was presented to the House, and read; whereby he acknowledged his being sensible of the great Indignity and Affront offered by him: And praying to be discharged from his Confinement.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Harcourt* be brought to the Bar, To-morrow Morning, in order to his Discharge.

Half-pay.

A Petition of *William Berry*, Captain in Brigadier *Langston's* former Regiment of Horse, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, upon incorporating the said Regiment into other Regiments of Horse in *Flanders*, in 1692, the Officers were ordered to do Duty with the other Officers of Horse, and receive like Subsistence to the 23 of February 1697; That this House, the last Session, only providing for those Officers that were actually in Commission, and disbanded since the Conclusion of the Peace; the Petitioner is thereby not only wholly unprovided for, but rendered unqualified for Preferment till all the other Captains of Horse in Half-pay are provided for; though he was continually in Service to the Conclusion of the Peace; was the First Captain in the said Regiment when it was incorporated, having had his Commission from his Majesty when at *Exeter*, at the time that Regiment marched first into his Service; and for that the Petitioner is the only Officer of the said Regiment unprovided for: And praying the House to put him on the same Foot with those *English* Officers, with whom he served during the Course of the whole War.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, with the other Petitions relating to Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Whitchcot* have Leave to go into the Country, for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions. Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Desbovery* have Leave to go into the Country, for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions.

A Petition of the General Officers, his Majesty's natural-born Subjects, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have all served abroad to the End of the War, and are neither paid off, nor put upon the List of Half-pay, as the rest of the disbanded Officers are; and all the General Officers of *Scotland* are provided for; and several established in *Ireland*, though for the most part younger in Rank: And praying, That their particular Case may be taken into Consideration. Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of *John Hudson* Esquire, late Comptroller of his Majesty's Field and Town Hospitals in *Flanders*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That every Year, during the War, he had several Thousands of Sick and Wounded under his Care, of which Trust he faithfully acquitted himself; in Consideration whereof, his Majesty last year ordered him to be inserted in the List of Officers then out of Employ, who were to have Half-pay: And praying, in regard his Health, and, more, his small Fortune, is impaired in his said Service, he may be added to the List of Officers that have Half-pay, until otherwise provided for. Ditto.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, with the other Petitions relating to Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That the Earl of *Orrery* have Leave to go into *Ireland*, for Three Months, his Lady being very ill. Leave of Absence.

Mr. *Cook*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for continuing the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London*, trading to the *East Indies*, a Corporation: And the same was received. Old East India Company.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon this Day Sevensnight, after Twelve a Clock, in a full House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the Sale of several Western Manors and Lands, the Estate of *Arthur Lacy* Esquire, for discharging a Mortgage thereupon; and for laying out the Surplus-money in the Purchase of *Demesne-lands*, to be settled to the same Uses; be read a Second time To-morrow Morning. Lacy's Estate.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intitled, An Act for confirming the Sale of the Manor of *Stansall*, and certain Tenements, in the County of *York*, made by *Thomas Barlow*, Gentleman; and for settling other Lands, of greater Value, to the same Uses; and for vesting other Lands and Hereditaments in Trustees, to be sold, for purchasing other Lands, to be settled to the same Uses; be read To-morrow Morning. Barlow's Estate.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better relieving and employing the Poor of this Kingdom, be read a Second time To-morrow Morning; and nothing to intervene. Employing the Poor.

*Resolved*, That this House, will, upon To-morrow Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace; and nothing to intervene. Justices of Peace Qualification.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience within the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof, be read To-morrow Sevensnight, in a full House. Westminster Small Debts.

Sir

Privilege—  
Letter  
reflecting on  
the House.

Sir Rowland Gwyn, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Committee Room; and the Letter of Mr. Crisp referred to the said Committee; and the Resolutions of the said Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

That Mr. Crisp, being examined, owned the Letter produced to the Committee, wherein are these Words: "I have appeared every Day before the Committee of Parliament, which is no small Charge to our Commissioners, and us that are in Town Chief Agents; also the Room which the Committee sits in comes to 10 l. Four Days: There is a Motion made that every body shall be at proportionable Charges, as Commissioners, Chief Agents, and others Agents, every one according to their Salary; and that the Chief Agents do stand obliged for their under Agents."

And said, that the Occasion of the said Letter was, That he was in the Auction Coffee-house Room; and Somebody dunned Mr. Haynes for some Money: But who it was, or for what Sum, he could give no Account; only, as Mr. Haynes turned about to him, and told him, Somebody demanded 10 l. for Four or Six Days for the Committee Room. As to the Motion mentioned in the Letter, he said, It was made by himself, who was Chief Agent for Cardiganshire, to Mr. Haynes and Mr. Cook.

Mr. Haynes, being examined, said, That the Person that came to dun him in the Auction Coffee-house was Mr. Snow; who dunned him for Money for the Committee for Wools, sitting in his Room last Sessions, which was upon their own Commission, and not any Committee by Order of the House; which was Seven or Eight Days; and denied that he told Mr. Crisp the Charge of the Committee Room was 10 l. for Four or Six Days, or asked Mr. Crisp any Money, or that his Under Agents should contribute; or knew any thing of the Writing of Crisp's Letter, or the Contents thereof.

But Mr. Crisp, being examined again, said, That he never was before the Committee for Wool, nor employed, during the time they sat, being made an Agent but in May last; and that his Letter was writ no longer than about Four or Five Weeks since; and that the Person who came to Mr. Haynes for Money, came to him about a Week before the writing of the Letter; and that he understood Mr. Haynes of the Committee of Parliament; and that he spake to the said Mr. Crisp after he came from the Committee.

And that the Committee came to these Resolutions:

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Letter writ by Mr. Crisp to \* Burnby is false and scandalous; and reflecting upon the Honour of the House, and the Committee.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That John Haynes was the Occasion of writing the said false and scandalous Letter.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the said John Haynes be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of Bishop's Castle in the County of Salop, be made To-morrow Sevensnight.

Ordered, That the Commissioners of the Excise do lay before this House a yearly Account of the gross Produce of the Barrels of Beer, Ale, and small Beer, charged from Midsummer 1688, to Midsummer 1699.

Ordered, That the Commissioners of Excise do lay before this House an Account of the Adjudications, Mitigations, and Reversals, of Penalties and Forfeitures, from Midsummer 1683, to Midsummer 1699.

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Ordered, That Mr. Lowndes do lay before this House an Account how the Eighty-five thousand Pounds paid into the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer, by the Commissioners of the Customs, for Penalties and Forfeitures, for Ten Years ending at Michaelmas 1699, hath been disposed of.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday come Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill touching free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had come to a Resolution, which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Conyers also acquainted the House, That they had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon this Day Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Ordered, That Mr. Herbert, Mr. Worsley, Major Holmes, Admiral Hobson, Mr. Napper, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the general Quiet of the Subject against all Pretences of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other defective Titles, is committed.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Jovis, 25° die Januarii;

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A Petition of George Herlackendon Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, as One of the Deputy Commissaries of the Army, faithfully served his Majesty several Years; and was disbanded in December 1698, with other Deputy Commissaries, who have all of them Half-pay, except the Petitioner: And praying, That, in Consideration his Services have been equal with the rest of the Deputy Commissaries, he may have Half-pay as well as they.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, with the other Petitions relating to Half-pay.

A Petition of George Moor, Merchant, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, about Eight Years since, he obtained a Judgment, for above 2,000 l. against Mr. Lenthall, chargeable on his Estate in the King's Bench Prison, and in Oxonshire; which the Petitioner extended, and was in Possession; but was ousted by Mr. Boulter, on Pretence of a prior Incumbrance; to be relieved against which, the Petitioner preferred a Bill in Chancery; which Suit is still depending: That this House having lately appointed a Committee to state the Incumbrances upon the said Prison; before the Petitioner could be heard, the said Committee made their Report to the House, and left out the Petitioner's Incumbrance; whereby he shall be debarred of his said Debt.

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Bishop's  
Castle Elec-  
tion.

Beer, Ale,  
and Small  
Beer.

Excise  
Penalties.

Disposition  
of Excise  
Penalties.

Impartial  
Proceedings  
in Parlia-  
ment.

Supply.

Defective  
Titles.

Committees.

Half-pay.

King's Bench  
Prison.

Debt,

Debt, unless relieved by the House: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to state the Incumbrances upon the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*: And that they do examine the Matter; and report the same to the House: And that the Committee be revived for that Purpose.

King's Bench  
Prison.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *King's Bench* Prison; and for Dissolution of the said Prison; be read upon the Day appointed, after Twelve a Clock.

Woollen  
Manufac-  
tures.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council, and also of the Merchants, Weavers, Fullers, Dyers, and others concerned in the Woollen Manufactures, in the City of *Eron*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Trade in the Woollen Manufacture is much decayed of late; especially since the *Flanders* Prohibition, which hath cut off one considerable Part of the Petitioners Sales; and they are thereby much streightened in their Trade, and the Poor distressed for want of Work; and great Encouragement is given in foreign Parts, to tempt our Workmen thither; where many Woollen Manufactures are already set up, in Imitation of the *English*: And praying the House timely to provide for the Encouragement and Enlargement of the *English* Woollen Manufactures.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

Noble's  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Thomas Noble* Gentleman to sell the undivided Third-part of the Manor of *Forton*, in the County of *Leicester*, when he shall have settled other Lands, an intire Estate, of a greater Value, to the same Uses, without any Amendment.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Assaying of  
Plate.

A Petition of the Goldsmiths of the City of *Norwich* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by reason of a Clause in a late Act, for encouraging the bringing in of wrought Plate to be coined, whereby the Mark of all Plate is appointed to be affixed thereon by the Company of Goldsmiths of *London* only, the Petitioners are debarred from working at their Trades, for fear of the Forfeitures in the said Act; which, if not remedied, will be the Ruin of the Petitioners: And praying, That the House will take their Case into Consideration; and relieve them therein; by allowing distinct Marks for the several Cities of *England*, or otherwise, as the House shall think convenient.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Goldsmiths of the City and County of the City of *Eron* is referred: And that Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Lowndes*, and all for *Devon*, *Cornwall*, *Norfolk*, *Suffolk*, and *Wilts*, be added to the said Committee.

A Person in  
Custody to  
attend a  
Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do permit *John Haynes*, now in his Custody, to attend the Committee, to whom the Matter relating to the Woollen Manufactures is referred, before whom he is under Examination.

Vexatious  
Suits in  
Wales.

Sir *Robert Edon*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for preventing of frivolous and vexatious Suits in the Principality of *Wales*, and the Counties Palatine: And the same was received.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

A Bill for the Sale of several Western Manors and Lands, the Estate of *Arthur Lacy* Esquire, for discharging a Mortgage thereupon; and for laying out the Surplus-money in the Purchase of Demesne-lands, to be settled to the same Uses; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Palmer*, Sir *Fran. Blake*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Cha. Turner*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Bridgman*, Mr. *Mitchell*, Mr. *Crane*, Sir *William Drake*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Dyot*, Major General *Erle*, Mr. *Hancock*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Lord *Cornbury*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Hoblyn*; and all for *Devonshire*, *Somersetshire*, *Dorsetshire*, and *Cornwall*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

An ingrossed Bill to enable his Majesty's natural-born Subjects to inherit the Estate of their Ancestors, either lineal or collateral, notwithstanding their Father or Mother were Aliens, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable his Majesty's natural-born Subjects to inherit the Estate of their Ancestors, either lineal or collateral, notwithstanding their Father or Mother were Aliens.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Edward Hussey* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Bill for making the River *Lark*, alias *Burn*, navigable, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Mayor and Burgesses of the Borough and Port of *King's Lynn*, in the County of *Norfolk*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, the making the River *Lark*, alias *Burn*, navigable, for which there is a Bill in this House, seems to be a Work of general Advantage to the Country; and a particular Increase of the Shipping, Trade, and Navigation of the said Port: And praying, That the House will give all suitable Encouragement to the Undertakers of so good a Work.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming the Sale of the Manor of *Stansall*, and certain Tenements, in the County of *York*, made by *Thomas Barlow* Gentleman; and for settling other Lands, of greater Value, to the same Uses; and for vesting other Lands and Hereditaments in Trustees, to be sold, for purchasing other Lands, to be settled to the same Uses; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. *Harcourt* was, according to Order, brought to the Bar: Where he, upon his Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Harcourt* be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Sir *John Mordant*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for continuing the Act for the better ascertaining the Tythes of Hemp and Flax: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the more effectual Suppression of Piracies was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* come Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause, for the

the Punishment of deserting Seamen, both from his Majesty's Ships of War, and Merchants Ships.

Veneris, 26<sup>o</sup> die Januarii.

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

Dolphin  
Ship.

*Ordered*, That the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do lay before this House Copies of the Orders for fitting out and sailing of the Ship *Dolphin*.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers* reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That whosoever shall advance or lend a Sum, not exceeding One hundred thousand Pounds, for paying of Seamen's Wages, shall be repaid the same, with Interest at 5 l. per Cent. (after the Sum of Two hundred and Twenty thousand Pounds already borrowed,) out of the First Aids to be granted this Session.

The said Resolution being read a Second Time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That whosoever shall advance or lend a Sum, not exceeding One hundred thousand Pounds, for paying of Seamen's Wages, shall be repaid the same, with Interest at 5 l. per Cent. (after the Sum of 220,000 l. already borrowed,) out of the First Aids to be granted this Session.

Employing  
the Poor.

A Bill for the better relieving and employing the Poor of this Kingdom was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Tuesday Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill; and nothing to intervene.

Ways and  
Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Bonds for  
Customs.

*Ordered*, That the Account of the Bonds taken for Customs in London, and the Out Ports, before Christmas 1699, and standing out the Eleventh of January last; and the Return of the Commissioners of the Customs, in relation thereunto; be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

#### PRAYERS.

*ORDERED*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to naturalize *Theophilus Jacobson*, *William Brown*, and *Sarah Hoskinstyles*, Infants: And that Mr. *White* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill: Jacobson's, &c. Nat.

Mr. *Duncomb*, from the Commissioners of Transports, presented to the House their Answer to the Petition of *John de Grave* and *Francis Minshall*, in behalf of themselves, and others, Owners of the Ships hired to carry Provisions to *Newfoundland*: Transport Service.

And the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

That, in July 1697, they hired Seven Ships to carry Provisions hence to *Newfoundland* by the Ton; and paid them Half their Freight, so soon as their Loading was on board. The Ships, and Masters Names, are as follow; viz.

The *Joseph*, *Thomas Rook* Master.

The *John* and *William*, *Benjamin Holman* Master.

The *Seventh Son*, *James Perryman* Master.

The *Hart*, *John Dudley* Master.

The *Burlington*, *George Stephens* Master.

The *Agreement*, *James Young* Master.

The *Antony*, *Samuel Roberts* Master.

The First of the above Ships has been long since paid in full.

The following Three Ships have had their Accounts adjusted; but, having no Money to pay them with, their Accounts were, some time since, laid before the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury; but nothing received for them.

The *Burlington*, *George Stephens* Master, was taken, by Two French Privateers in her Passage to *Newfoundland*; and the Owners, and their Ship, insured from the Enemy by his Majesty; so that she is to be paid for according to a Report made to the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury.

The *Agreement*, *James Young* Master, after making *Newfoundland*, met with stormy Weather, and was forced from the Land; and his Ship, being much damaged, sailed for *Barbados*, as we have also reported to their Lordships.

The case of the *Antony*, *Samuel Roberts* Master, we have been told, is the same with the *Agreement*; but the Owners have not yet applied to us to have their Accounts adjusted.

26 January 1699.

*Ordered*, That the said Answer be recommended to the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury.

Mr. *Carter*, according to Order, presented to the House, a Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the Fleet Prison; and for Dissolution of the said Prison: And the same was received; and read the First time:

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Monday Morning next.

A Petition of *William Vaughan* Gentleman, an Infant, by *Walter Vaughan*, of *Trebarried* in the County of *Brecon*, Esquire, and *Mary Vaughan* Widow, his Guardian, and next Friends; and *Frances Vaughan*, an Infant, sole Daughter and Heir of *John Vaughan*, late of *Hergest* in the County of *Hereford*, Esquire, by *Sitvanus Vaughan* Clerk, *Henry Vaughan* Gentleman, *John Lewis* Esquire, and *John Edwards* Gentleman, her Guardians, and next Friends; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by Articles of Marriage to be solemnized between the said *William* and *Frances Vaughan*, the Petitioners, his Guardians, have covenanted for the settling as a Jointure, upon the said *Frances*, several Messuages and Premises in the County of *Brecon*; but, by reason of the Infancy of the said *William Vaughan*, his Guardians cannot

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cannot perform the said Articles without the Aid of an Act of Parliament: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for confirming the said Articles of Agreement, made for the Marriage of the said *William* and *Frances Vaughan*.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Price* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Vexatious  
Suits in  
Wales.

A Bill for preventing frivolous and vexatious Suits in the Principality of *Wales*, and the Counties Palatine, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Cattle Mar-  
ket in the  
Haymarket.

The House being informed, That the Sheriffs of the City of *London* attended at the Door;

They were called in; and, at the Bar, acquainted the House, That they had a Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council, of the City of *London*, to present to the House, in relation to the Markets belonging to the City: And delivered the same into the House.

And then withdrew.

And the Petition was read; setting forth, That King *Edward* the III<sup>d</sup>, by his Charter, *inter al.* granted to the Petitioners, That no Market should thenceforth be granted within Seven Miles in Circuit of the said City; and several Persons, in sundry Reigns, have endeavoured to obtain Patents for erecting of Markets for live Cattle within that Distance, who, upon hearing the Petitioners, have, from time to time, been prevented; but Sir *Nathanael Curzon* and *John Kent* Esquire, having lately erected a Market in *Great Brookfeild*, for the Sale of live Cattle, under Colour of some Grants from the late King *James*, the Petitioners brought a *Scire facias* to reverse those Grants; and, to obstruct their Proceedings thereon, the said Sir *Nath.* and Mr. *Kent* have petitioned this House, as the Petitioners conceive: And praying, That they may be heard by their Counsel what they have to offer in relation to the Matters alleged in the said Petition of Sir *Nath. Curzon* and Mr. *Kent*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of Sir *Nathanael Curzon* and *John Kent* Esquire is referred: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon: And that Sir *Robert Clayton*, Sir *Tho. Cook*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Mr. *Wynn*, Mr. *Cor*, be added to the said Committee.

Hamborough  
Company.

A Petition of divers Merchants, Clothiers, and others, in the Town of *Ratchdale* in the County of *Lancaster*, and Places adjacent, was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That the Trade of our Woollen Manufacture may be carried on, to the best Advantage of the Nation, by his Majesty's natural-born Subjects; but Foreigners have got so great a Share of it, that they have discouraged the *Hamborough* Company from sending such great Quantities of Cloths abroad as formerly; and have occasioned our Manufactures to be debased and disesteemed in foreign Markets: And praying, That the *Hamborough* Company may be supported in their Trade to *Germany*, as the means to prevent the growing Mischiefs which attend our Woollen Manufactures.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time.

Ditto.

A Petition of divers Merchants, Clothiers, and others, of the City of *York*, and Places adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners conceive, the supporting of the *Hamborough* Company in their Privileges upon the River of *Elbe*, *Wiser*, and *Eyder*, will be a means to preserve and restore the Trade of our Woollen Manufactures to those Parts from falling wholly into the Hands of Foreigners; by whom the *English* Navigation is much diminished, the Exports

of Woollen Cloths much lessened, the Poor increased, and what Profit is to be gotten carried away by Foreigners: To prevent all which Mischiefs, and many more, the Petitioners pray, That the said Company may be supported in their Privileges in the said Rivers, as to the House shall seem meet.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That no more Petitions be received, for or against the Bill for making the River *Avon*, from *Christ Church* to *Salisbury*, navigable, after *Wednesday* next. Avon Navigation.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Justices of the Peace to raise Money for the Building of Gaols in the several Counties of *England* and *Wales*, where there are none; and for repairing of the Gaols in other of the said Counties, where such Gaols want repairing, and the Charge of the repairing them ought to be defrayed by the respective Counties: And that Colonel *Byerley* and Mr. *Boscawen* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill. County Gaols.

A Petition of *John Beecher* Esquire, and *Charles Beecher*, and *John Bridger* Gentlemen, and of *Elizabeth Stuteville's* Estate. the Wife of *Charles Stuteville* Esquire, and their Five Children, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said *Charles Stuteville*, having mortgaged his Estate in the County of *Suffolk* to the late Lord Keeper *North* for 1,000 Years, and not paying the Money, was foreclosed of the Equity of Redemption; whereby the Estate became absolute, and, by mesne Assignment, is now vested in *Gilbert Dolben* Esquire, who is in Possession; yet is willing to accept of a Sum of Money: And *Judith*, Mother of the said *Charles Stuteville*, having, in 1689, obtained a Decree in Chancery for 5,800 *l.* principal Money, to be raised out of the said Estate, assigned the same to the Petitioners, in Trust, for the Benefit of her said Five Grandchildren: That Mr. *Stuteville* hath conveyed to the Petitioners *John* and *Charles Beecher* all his Right and Title to the said Estate, in Trust, for the satisfying Incumbrances thereupon; which can no ways be paid, but by Sale of the Premises; which cannot be effected, but by Act of Parliament, by reason the said *Charles* is become weak in his Understanding: And, for that the Petitioners *Eliz.* and her Children, and the said *Charles Stuteville*, are without Subsistence; they pray, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for Sale of the Estate of the said *Charles Stuteville*, for Payment of the Incumbrances thereupon; and applying the Residue of the Money for the Benefit of him, and his Wife and Children.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: where the same was read, and is as followeth; viz. Ways and Means.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That an Aid be granted to his Majesty, not exceeding Two Shillings in the Pound, for One Year, to be laid upon all Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Pensions, Offices, and personal Estates.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That an Aid be granted to his Majesty, not exceeding Two Shillings in the Pound, for One Year, to be laid upon all Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Pensions, Offices, and personal Estates.

*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution:

solution: And that Mr. *Conyers* and Mr. *Lowndes* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Grants from the Crown.

*Resolved*, That a Day be appointed to consider of the Grants made since the settling of the Civil List upon his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the said Matter be taken into Consideration upon this Day Sevensnight.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Travers*, his Majesty's Surveyor General, do lay before this House the Petitions and Reports, upon which any Grants were made the last Year.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lowndes* do lay before this House the Warrants for the said Grants.

Call of the House.

*Ordered*, That the House be called over upon *Thursday* come Sevensnight: And that such Members as shall not then attend, be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Thetford Election.

Then the House proceeded to the hearing the Matter touching the Election for the Borough of *Thetford* in the County of *Norfolk*:

And the Counsel for *Edmund Soame* Esquire, the Petitioner, and for *James Sloane* Esquire, the Sitting Member, were called in; and heard; and several Witnesses examined on both Sides.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That *James Sloane* Esquire, in treating the Corporation of *Thetford* in the County of *Norfolk*, has been guilty of a Breach of the late Act of Parliament for preventing Expences in Elections;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel *Granville*, } 115.  
Sir *Robert Davers*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Boyle*, } 110.  
Mr. *Molincur*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Question being put, That *James Sloane* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Thetford* in the County of *Norfolk*;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the said Election is a void Election.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Thetford* in the County of *Norfolk*, in the room of *James Sloane* Esquire, who is adjudged to be unduly elected.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Sabbati, 27° die Januarii;*

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Hamborough Company.

A PETITION of divers Masters of Ships, at or near *Kingslon* upon *Hull*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the taking off Aliens Duties, and for want of a sufficient Support for *English* Merchants, hath given great Advantage to neighbouring Nations; who are so far Masters of our Trade, that very little *English* Shipping is employed to the *East Country*, *Germany*, *Hamborough*, *Holland*, and *Flanders*; to the great Discouragement of Navigation, and *English* Seamen, who might be therein employed, and be near at home, upon all Occasions, to serve their Country: And praying the House to establish the *Hamborough* and *Eastland* Companies, as the Means to restore and support the *English* Navigation to the Parts aforesaid.

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*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Dyers and Clothworkers in the City of *London* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That formerly, when the *Hamborough* Company flourished, our Woollen Manufactures were exported in great Quantities, dyed and dressed here; but, since Foreigners have had a Freedom to export the same, they have, by Degrees, encouraged the Dyeing thereof abroad; and at length, by Help of the great Drawback on Dyeing-wares, will deprive the Petitioners of that Part of their Trade: And praying, That the Bill in the House for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company may pass, for the Encouragement of *English* Merchants to export our Manufactures.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of divers Packers, Setters, Tillet-painters, Callenders, and Seal-makers, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, since Foreigners have gotten the greatest Share of the Trade of exporting the *English* Woollen Manufactures to *Germany*, they have exported them almost wholly unmanufactured in the Way of the Petitioners Trade, to their great Impoverishment, which used formerly to be manufactured here; and that Trade might be regained, as the Petitioners conceive, if Encouragement were given to *English* Merchants to export our Woollen Manufactures to *Germany*: And praying, That the Bill, depending in the House, for the better Encouragement and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, may pass, for that Purpose.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Bay-makers, Say-makers, and Perpetuana-makers, of *Colchester*, and others concerned in the Woollen Manufactures there, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Poor, for above 20 Miles round, have their chief Dependence upon making the said Manufactures; which, for many Years past, have been sent to *Holland*, and thence conveyed, and vended in *Germany*; which Trade has been very beneficial to the Petitioners: But there being a Bill in the House, for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, whereby all Persons trading to *Germany* must be admitted into that Company, and consequently subject to their By-laws, and probably they not contented to trade for so little Profit as the Petitioners, the Prices upon Goods will be advanced in foreign Parts, the Consumption here lessened, the Poor want Employment, and it will put Foreigners upon all Ways possible of setting up our Manufactures there: And praying therefore, That the said Bill may not pass.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill to naturalize *Francis Vandertijde* was read a Second time. Vantertijde's Nat.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Pye*, Mr. *Joliffe*, Sir *Fran. Blake*, Sir *John Bland*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Lewis*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Winington*, Sir *Robert Austin*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Duke*, Mr. *Northmore*, Mr. *Hughes*, Sir *Walter Yonge*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Guy*, Mr. *Crane*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Taylor*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Crocker*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Sir *Cha. Turner*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *England*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Mr. *Carter*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for regulating of Prisons: And the same was received; and read the First time. Regulating Prisons.

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*Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Silk Manu-  
facture.

A Petition of the Minister, Churchwardens, Overseers, and other Inhabitants, of the Parish of *St. Leonard's, Shoreditch*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by reason of the great Decay of the Silk Manufactory, great Multitudes of People residing in the said Parish, whose sole Dependence was on the Silk Weavers and Throwers, are become an insupportable Burden to the Parish: And praying, That the Weavers and Throwers of Silk may be so relieved, that the Poor may be thereby employed, and the Petitioners eased.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and particularly to consider of the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Rector, Vestry, and Churchwardens, and Overseers, and other Inhabitants, of the Parish of *St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate without*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That great Numbers of People inhabit within the said Parish, whose chief Dependence is upon the Silk Manufactory, either from the Silk Weavers, or Silk Throwers; whose Trades are so greatly decayed, that the Petitioners indigent Neighbours are become an insupportable Burden to them: And praying, That the House will grant such Relief to the said Weavers and Throwers, as their Poor may again be employed.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and particularly to consider of the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

Woollen  
Manufacture.

A Petition of the Clothiers in and about the Town of *Froome*, in the County of *Somerset*, in behalf of themselves and many Hundreds of poor People depending on them, and their Trade, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Cloathing Trade of *England* is very much lessened and decayed by the great Exportation of our Wool; the late Prohibition of them in *Flanders*; by the high Duties on Oil, Soap, and Dyeing-stuff, whereby Foreigners undersell the *English*, they paying no such Duties; by the excessive Straining of our Cloth, which brings a Discredit upon it abroad; and by the great Numbers of other Tradesmen setting up the Cloathing Trade, imposing Hardships on the Labourers therein: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and particularly to consider of the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

Sevenokes  
Roads.

Mr. *Campion*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for repairing the Highways from *Sevenokes* to *Tonbridge*, in the County of *Kent*: And the same was received.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read upon *Monday* Morning next.

Transport  
Debt.

A Petition of *William Beswick* Master, and *Richard Holder* Merchant, both of them Part-owners of the Ship *Mary*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Ship was hired, by the Commissioners for Transportation, in January 1693, and appraised upon Oath at 731*l.* 5*s.* and employed to transport about 290 Officers and Foot Soldiers, of Colonel *Hamilton's* Regiment, from *Deptford* to *Ostend*; where lying at Anchor, to get into that Harbour, the Officers, being very impatient to get on shore, commanded the Mariners to cut her Cables; but they refused, knowing the Danger of turning her in to Shore, and persuaded them to stay till the next Tide; which they would not: But one Captain *Caine*, the chief Officer on board, commanded the Soldiers to cut the Cables; which so soon as they had done, the said Ship

drove ashore, and was utterly lost, but all the Men saved: That *Beswick* petitioned his Majesty for Satisfaction; who referred the Matter to the Transport Commissioners; who reported the Matter, as aforesaid; and that the Owners ought to have Satisfaction: Yet the said Commissioners have omitted to insert the Petitioners Debt in the Accounts of the Debt due for Transport Service, which they have delivered in to this House: And praying, That the Petitioners Debt may be paid with the rest of the Transport Debt.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

A Petition of the Dyers in and about the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, and Borough of *Southwark*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the high Duties on Dye-stuff greatly discourages the Dyeing Trade in general; for that Foreigners have the same much cheaper, by reason of their own small Customs, and great Drawbacks from hence; whereby they are enabled to undersell the Petitioners; which, if not prevented, will shortly destroy the Dyers Trade, both at home and abroad: And praying, That the High Duties upon Dye-stuff may be taken off, so that thereby the Petitioners may work as cheap as other Nations, and redeem their lost Trade.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

The House being informed, That the Petition of Sir *Alexander Rigby*, touching the Election for the Borough of *Wigan* in the County of *Lancaster*, this Session, is different from that which was presented the last Sessions;

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Privileges and Elections, That they do examine, whether the Petition this Session be the same in Substance with that which was presented the last Sessions; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House: And that the Committee do proceed upon the same in the first Place.

Sir *Richard Cocks* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for hindering Papists from disinheriting their Protestant Heirs was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of *Martha Johnson*, and *Tha. Johnson* and *John Johnson*, her Sons, and *Frances Micklethwaite*, her Daughter, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, being Creditors of the *Fleet* Prison, were, some time since, served with an Order from a Committee of this House, That they should lay before the Committee a stated Account, in Writing, of their Demands; which the Petitioners were willing to do: But their Agent being out of Town at the time appointed by the Committee for doing thereof, the Petitioners were incapacitated to perform the said Order: And praying, That they may have Liberty to lay before the House an Account of their said Incumbrance, which they have prepared, that they may not be postponed in their just Right.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom it was referred to state the Incumbrances upon the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*: And that they do examine the Matter; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of the Mayor, Jurats, Freemen, and chief Inhabitants, of the Town and Port of *New Romney*, in the County of *Kent*, One of the Cinque Ports, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Harbour of *Rye* is very advantageously situated, not only for the Benefit of Navigation in general, in saving many Ships

Duties on  
Dye-stuff.

Wigan  
Election.

Papists Pro-  
testant Heirs.

Fleet Prison.

Rye Harbour.

Ships by putting in there in bad Weather; but also for the Safety of his Majesty's Navy Royal, it being capable of being improved to be the best and largest Tide Harbour in *England*; it lying also opposite to divers *French* Ports, and may be a means to prevent an Enemy from infesting the *English* Coast: But the said Harbour is of late very much decayed and swerved with Slubb, occasioned by the Inning of Land, and making Walls cross the same, with Flood-gates and Sluices; so that the Tide cannot flow and reflow, as formerly; and, in all Likelihood, will be totally lost, unless some Measures be taken to prevent the same: And praying, That some Course may be taken for restoring the said Harbour to its ancient Goodness; and for improving it to the Advantage of the whole Nation.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Town of *Rye* is referred.

Mr. *Godolphin*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of Silver exported since *Michaelmas* 1697; and also an Account of the Woollen Manufactures exported from the Port of *London*, with the Duties payable thereon, from *Michaelmas* 1697, to *Michaelmas* 1698, with the Duties payable thereon: And he acquainted the House, That the Account of the *Indian* Manufactures imported and exported in the Years 1698, and 1699, is preparing with all the Speed that can be.

The Titles of the said Accounts were read:

And the ACCOUNTS are as follow; viz.

The said Account of SILVER Exported.

Foreign Coin.

Time of Entry.	In whose Name.	To what Place.	Quantity.
			Ounces.
15 October 97.	Henry Johnson.	Rotterdam.	4,000. Pieces 8.
19 October.	Wm. Vega.	Rotterdam.	800. Pieces 8.
2 November.	Old East-India Company.	India.	62,628. Pieces 8.
12 Do.	James Male.	India.	4,000.
17 Do.	Hen. Duffield.	India.	11,000.
18 Do.	Fred. Herne.	Rotterdam.	5,570. 15d. Pieces 8.
29 Do.	John Roberts.	India.	1,800. Pieces 8.
1 December.	Rich. Goff and Company.	Streights.	78,000. Pieces 8.
Do.	Ditto.	Streights.	33,000. Pieces 8.
Do.	James Male.	India.	20,000. Foreign Coin.
29 Do.	Robert Betten.	India.	20,000. Pieces 8.
30 Do.	Wm. Peter.	India.	20,000. Do.
30 Do.	Old East-India Company.	India.	195,254. Pieces 8.
3 January.	Jerem. Thomas.	India.	10,000. Pieces 8.
Do.	Sam Wilcox.	India.	483. Pieces 8.
Do.	Abr. Wilmer.	India.	5,000. Pieces 8.
10 Do.	Old East-India Company.	India.	45,605. 10d. Pieces 8.
18 Do.	George Carew.	India.	330. Pieces 8.
19 - - -	Tho. Baines.	India.	5,000. Pieces 8.
26 Do.	Wm. Bridges.	India.	1,090.
Do.	Joseph Snaring.	India.	1,000.
27 - - -	Old East-India Company.	India.	10,497.
Do.	John Morris.	Scanderoon.	297. Lion Dollars.
28 - - -	Old East-India Company.	India.	21,242. Pieces 8.
Do.	Ditto.	India.	13,996. Pieces 8.
Do.	Wm. Livesay.	India.	424. 10d.
29 - - -	Wm. Bridges.	India.	1,000.
1 February.	Old East-India Company.	India.	3,490.
Do.	Eliz. Stubbs.	India.	60.
5 - - -	Ben. Fox.	India.	140.
12 - - -	Step. Grande.	India.	1,150.
15 - - -	Robert Wilmot.	India.	57,240.
15 - - -	Simon Strye.	Holland.	500. Dollars.
18 - - -	James Tyler.	Cadiz.	1,200.
19 - - -	Francis Staynes.	Cadiz.	1,200.
21 - - -	John Sutton.	Cadiz.	500. Pieces 8.
8 March.	Wm. Dawson.	Maderas.	30,000.
10 - - -	Char. Bachee.	India.	500.
14 - - -	Old E. I. Company.	India.	85,971.
15 - - -	John West.	India.	25,000.
24 - - -	Elias Crisp.	India.	2,000.
26 - - -	Old E. I. Company.	India.	17,440.
29 - - -	Banister Maynard.	India.	400.
Do.	Peter Renew and Company.	Norway.	2,790. Foreign Coin.
98. 2d April.	John Stephens.	India.	25,000. Pieces 8.
18 - - -	David Penco and Company.	India.	1,435. Pieces 8.
19 - - -	Old E. I. Company.	India.	59,435. 10d.
Do.	Peter Henriquez.	India.	1,990.
Do.	John Mendez D. Costa.	India.	4,250.
Do.	Alvaro D. Costa.	India.	2,000. Pieces 8.
Do.	Alvaro D. Costa.	India.	2,000.
Do.	Joseph Jackson.	India.	300. Dollars.
20 - - -	Thq. Somaster.	India.	1,460. Pieces 8.



<i>Time of Entry.</i>	<i>In whose Name.</i>	<i>To what Place.</i>	<i>Quantity.</i>
			Ounces.
20 April.	Wm. Blundell.	India.	16,000.
Do.	John Morse.	India.	4,000.
Do.	Wm. Grantham.	India.	870.
Do.	Joseph Poshe.	Holland.	1,100. Fr. Dollars.
Do.	Jo. Daworks.	Holland.	500. Fr. Dollars.
21 - - -	Isaac Tells D. Costa.	India.	700. Pieces of 8.
28 - - -	Pet. and Ben. Henriques.	India.	5,000. Pieces of 8.
28 - - -	Pet. Henriques.	India.	1,500.
29 - - -	Wm. Vega.	India.	1,698.
30 - - -	Wm. Steward.	India.	9,000.
May 2d.	John Dackefoot.	India.	400.
3 - - -	Phil. D. Costa.	India.	2,000.
3 - - -	John D. Costa.	India.	4,415.
4 - - -	Wm. Heath.	India.	2,000.
4 - - -	John D. Costa.	India.	815.
4 - - -	John Nuns D. Costa.	India.	2,000.
5 - - -	Pet. Henriques, junior.	India.	7,300.
5 - - -	Diego D. Medina.	India.	10,200.
6 - - -	Old E. Ind. Company.	India.	21,833. 10 d.
7 - - -	Diego D. Medina.	India.	2,000.
9 - - -	Anth. Gomesena.	India.	2,800.
9 - - -	Isaac Aboad.	India.	600.
16 - - -	John Mendez D. Cost.	Rotterdam.	2,000.
17 - - -	Edmund Harrison.	Do.	900.
18 - - -	Jo. Mendez D. Costa.	Do.	2,000.
18 - - -	Peter Floyer.	Do.	3,000.
23 - - -	Edmund Harrison.	Do.	900.
23 - - -	Peter Floyer.	Do.	2,000. Pieces of 8.
23 - - -	Peter Floyer.	Do.	2,000.
28 - - -	Peter Floyer.	Do.	2,020. Pieces of 8.
30 - - -	Bank of England.	Holland.	38,544.
31 - - -	Peter Henriques.	Rotterdam.	1,170.
June 6.	Benj. Francis.	West-Indies.	1,000.
10 - - -	Peter Floyer.	Amsterdam.	1,320.
16 - - -	Peter Floyer.	Do.	1,000.
16 - - -	Abr. D. Nitranda.	Rotterdam.	2,688.
16 - - -	Solomon D. Costa.	East-Indies.	1,000.
20 - - -	Peter Floyer.	Rotterdam.	3,450.
23 - - -	Bank of England.	Holland.	28,032.
23 - - -	Pet. Floyer.	Holland.	3,000.
23 - - -	David Penso.	Rotterdam.	8,000.
28 - - -	Hen. Johnson.	Amsterdam.	3,600.
July 6.	Peter Albert.	Bridges.	873.
9 - - -	Peter Floyer.	Amsterdam.	2,000.
12 - - -	John Blackwal.	Amsterdam.	380.
14 - - -	Edw. Jackson.	Rotterdam.	800.
15 - - -	Bank of England.	Holland.	7,008.
16 - - -	Peter Floyer.	Rotterdam.	3,566.
21 - - -	Peter Floyer.	Amsterdam.	1,320.
21 - - -	Peter Floyer.	Rotterdam.	2,300.
29 - - -	Wm. Richardson.	East-Indies.	40,000.
August 8.	Hanse Jacobi.	Calais.	600. Fr. Crowns.
15 - - -	David Penso.	Surat.	5,000. Pieces 8.
October 14.	Robert Wichurch.	Holland.	100. Fr. Crowns.
25 - - -	Old E. Ind. Company.	India.	185,942. Pieces 8.
25 - - -	Richard Chevall.	India.	2,500.
25 - - -	Walt. Merchant.	Streights.	500.
Nov. 3d.	John Guy.	Holland.	300. Fr. Crowns.
12 - - -	Old East-Ind. Company.	India.	20,000. Pieces 8.
17 - - -	Old E. I. Company.	India.	125,000.
December 8.	Will. Richardson.	Barbary.	40,000.
10 - - -	Old E. I. Company.	India.	91,735.
10 - - -	Do.	India.	30,000.
12 - - -	Wm. Bull.	India.	2,000.
12 - - -	Rob. Hedges.	India.	2,100.
14 - - -	New East-Ind. Company.	India.	3,500.
15 - - -	New East-Ind. Company.	India.	2,370.
20 - - -	New East-Ind. Company.	India.	210,000.
20 - - -	New East-Ind. Company.	India.	210,000.
20 - - -	New Company.	India.	12,000.
22 - - -	New Company.	India.	12,450.

<i>Time of Entry.</i>	<i>In whose Name.</i>	<i>To what Place.</i>	<i>Quantity.</i>
			Ounces.
22 December.	Old Company.	India.	100,000.
22 - - -	New Company.	India.	470.
23 - - -	Henry Hamand.	India.	1,000.
24 - - -	Tho. Hamond.	India.	490. Fr. Crowns.
24 - - -	John Clapham.	India.	1,200. Do.
24 - - -	Wm. Beckford.	India.	3,640. Pieces 8.
30 - - -	Tho. Reed.	India.	2,660. Pieces 8.
30 - - -	New E. I. Company.	India.	200.
31 - - -	New Company.	India.	20,000.
31 - - -	New Company.	India.	2,500.
31 - - -	New Company.	India.	200.
31 - - -	New Company.	India.	1,000.
January 2.	New Company.	India.	7,000.
5 - - -	Tho. Wilson.	Constantinople.	175.
7 - - -	Old Company.	India.	140,000.
13 - - -	Geo. Mathews.	India.	2,638.
13 - - -	Sir Geo. Dearnish.	India.	12,000.
13 - - -	Geo. Manwaring.	India.	1,200.
19 - - -	Peregrine Brown.	Guinea.	400. Dutch Dollars.
February 6.	Wm. Young.	India.	20,000. Pieces 8.
7 - - -	John Vobe.	Bermudas.	2,000. Pieces 8.
14 - - -	John Pit.	India.	25,000. Foreign Coin.
16 - - -	Valent. Knitely.	India.	2,000. Pieces 8.
16 - - -	Brockman Bunce.	India.	100. Pieces 8.
16 - - -	Richard Cary.	Antega.	600.
16 - - -	New Company.	India.	70,000.
17 - - -	Phil. Day.	India.	467.
20 - - -	John Hurles.	India.	1,121.
20 - - -	New Company.	India.	245,000.
20 - - -	Mich. Grave.	India.	500.
20 - - -	New Company.	India.	35,000.
25 - - -	Old Company.	India.	119,378. 10 Penny-weight.
25 - - -	James Fowler.	Bilboa.	1,600.
March 2d.	Old Company.	India.	40,000.
4 - - -	Old Company.	India.	10,000.
	Phil. Papillon.	{For his Maje-}	3,946.
		{sty's Service. }	
24 - - -	Peter Godfry.	Cadiz.	6,000.
1699.28 - - -	Joseph Pack.	Holland.	1,200. Dollars.
30 - - -	John Lock.	India.	1,000. Pieces 8.
30 - - -	Simon Stry.	Holland.	800. Fr. Crowns.
31 - - -	Clement Pettit.	India.	50. Pieces 8.
April 3.	Cha. Coatsworth.	India.	800. Pieces 8.
3 - - -	Ben. Hartly.	India.	180.
6 - - -	Old Company.	India.	40,500.
8 - - -	New Company.	India.	27,400.
13 - - -	Jos Fernandez.	India.	9,000.
14 - - -	Old Company.	India.	5,000.
20 - - -	Solom. D. Medina.	India.	6,000.
20 - - -	New Company.	India.	105,000.
20 - - -	James Allison.	India.	2,300.
20 - - -	Pet. Godfry and Company.	India.	9,625.
20 - - -	Sam. Southouse.	India.	260.
20 - - -	Jos. Nunes D. Costa.	Cadiz.	6,000. Pieces 8.
21 - - -	Is. sen. Henriquez.	India.	6,000.
21 - - -	Isa. D. Costa.	India.	3,000.
21 - - -	Jos. Ferdinando.	India.	10,000.
21 - - -	Wm. Felix.	India.	3,200.
21 - - -	Sam. D. Costa.	India.	1,500.
21 - - -	Wm. Gott.	India.	340.
24 - - -	Wm. Felix.	India.	1,000.
24 - - -	Benj. Mawes.	India.	1,500.
26 - - -	Jo. N. D. Costa.	India.	1,000.
26 - - -	Old Company.	India.	150,000.
26 - - -	Chidly Brook.	India.	5,000.
26 - - -	Jos. Fernandez.	India.	5,020.
27 - - -	John Reynolds.	India.	410.
27 - - -	Jos. Paidworker.	Holland.	500. Fr. Crowns.
29 - - -	John Treby.	Rotterdam.	876. Pieces 8.
29 - - -	James Allison.	India.	4,000.
May 10.	Tho. Styles.	Russia.	900. Dollars.

<i>Time of Entry.</i>	<i>In whose Name.</i>	<i>To what Place.</i>	<i>Quantity.</i>
			Ounces.
17 May.	Peter Floyer.	Amsterdam.	1,600. Pieces 8.
17 - - -	David Penso.	Holland.	3,140.
20 - - -	Chris. Bratt.	Stockholm.	1,000.
26 - - -	Tho. Styles.	Russia.	1,700. Dollars.
27 - - -	Denis Dutry.	Rotterdam.	2,425. Foreign Coin.
June 2.	Peter Floyer.	Streights.	740. Pieces 8.
5 - - -	David Penso.	Rotterdam.	2,600. Pieces 8.
6 - - -	Geo. Adams.	Barbadoes.	700.
9 - - -	Jos. Ferdinando.	India.	2,500.
13 - - -	Hen. Johnson.	Rotterdam.	3,365.
28 - - -	Bevin and Smith.	Streights.	1,800.
30 - - -	Steph. Scott.	Russia.	300. Dollars.
July 3.	Tho. Betton.	Russia.	446. Fr. Cr.
10 - - -	Tho. Clark.	Norway.	800. Dollars.
28 - - -	Wm. King.	West-Indies.	750. Foreign Silver.
28 - - -	Tho. Snatt.	India.	200. Pieces 8.
29 - - -	Old East-Ind. Company.	India.	57,866. Pieces 8.
31 - - -	New Company.	India.	36,517.
August 1.	Matth. Lowt.	India.	4,900.
1 - - -	Isa. senior Henriquez.	Suratt.	10,000.
2 - - -	Jos. N. D. Costa.	India.	2,000.
2 - - -	Geo. Simons and Company.	India.	25,200.
2 - - -	Isa. D. Costa.	India.	3,726.
4 - - -	Solom. D. Medina.	India.	3,000.
4 - - -	Robert Child.	India.	2,000.
16 - - -	Tho. Wilson.	Streights.	2,000. L. Dollars.
16 - - -	Tho. Wilson.	Streights.	1,000. Pieces 8.
September 13.	John Lodington.	Barbary.	3,500.
22 - - -	Sir Isa. Rebow.	India.	19,319.
22 - - -	Edw. Harrison.	India.	36,010.
22 - - -	Sam. Allen.	India.	1,168.
22 - - -	Joseph Sike.	India.	13,400.
22 - - -	Wm. Turner.	India.	200.
27 - - -	Edw. Harrison.	India.	2,670.
27 - - -	New Company.	India.	35,000.
28 - - -	Tho. Glasier.	India.	450.
28 - - -	Hen. Duffield.	India.	2,105.
30 - - -	Silvester Landau.	India.	2,260.
October 7.	Andrew Welsh.	Cadiz.	244.
11 - - -	Gilbert Heathcot.	Stockholm.	684.
17 - - -	Rowland Gideon.	Barbados.	102.
19 - - -	John Bull.	Streights.	1,000.
Novem. 2.	Old Company.	India.	150,000.
2 - - -	Old Company.	India.	19,000.
2 - - -	Old Company.	India.	150,000.
7 - - -	Peter Floyer.	India.	6,353.
9 - - -	New Company.	India.	111,000.
9 - - -	Hawes Newport.	India.	400.
10 - - -	Peter Floyer.	India.	705.
10 - - -	Old Company.	India.	4,000.
16 - - -	Valen. Catchpole.	India.	3,500. Pieces 8.
17 - - -	Solomon Loyd.	India.	5,600.
18 - - -	James Pound.	India.	1,165.
18 - - -	Geo. Philips.	India.	4,000.
18 - - -	New Company.	India.	24,500.
21 - - -	Jos. Ferdinando.	India.	4,000.
22 - - -	Old Company.	India.	8,000.
29 - - -	Geo. Adams.	Barbadoes.	850.
29 - - -	Geo. Adams.	West-Indies.	1,000.
December 5.	Old Company.	India.	250,000.
5 - - -	Old Company.	India.	75,000.
11 - - -	Phil. Men. D. Costa.	India.	3,200.
11 - - -	Do.	India.	3,267.
11 - - -	Old Company.	India.	18,000.
11 - - -	Old Company.	India.	42,000.
11 - - -	Duke Faunce.	India.	200.
12 - - -	Rich. Carew.	India.	500.
13 - - -	Cha. Chamblain.	India.	1,600.
13 - - -	Paul. Brook.	India.	420.
15 - - -	Sam. D. Paz.	India.	6,002.
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			Ounces.
15 December.	Josiah Gomezsena.	India.	6,850.
16 - - - -	New Company.	India.	91,000.
18 - - - -	Valencia and Pachico.	India.	2,300.
18 - - - -	Jos. Chamblain.	India.	8,000.
18 - - - -	Peter Godfry.	China.	500.
18 - - - -	Isaac Milner.	India.	14,140.
19 - - - -	Josiah Gomezsena.	India.	6,850.
19 - - - -	Isaac D. Costa.	India.	2,000.
19 - - - -	Isaac D. Costa.	India.	2,000.
19 - - - -	John Ridout.	India.	1,278.
19 - - - -	Old Company.	India.	260,000.
20 - - - -	New Company.	India.	21,000.
20 - - - -	Jos. Ferdinando.	India.	2,000. Pieces 8.
20 - - - -	Valen. and Pacheco.	India.	1,025.
20 - - - -	John Whiting.	India.	152.
22 - - - -	New Company.	India.	210,000.
22 - - - -	New Company.	India.	10,500.
22 - - - -	New Company.	India.	7,000.
23 - - - -	Peter Floyer.	India.	876.
23 - - - -	William Monia.	India.	1,200.
23 - - - -	Cha. Newman.	India.	3,504.
29 - - - -	Jos. Na. D. Costa.	India.	700.
29 - - - -	Tho. Monk.	India.	1,750.
29 - - - -	Cha. Newman.	India.	300.
January 2.	Jacob Fernandes Nunes.	India.	1,200.
2 - - - -	John Evans.	India.	21,321.
2 - - - -	Sam. Rovost.	India.	1,700.
2 - - - -	New Company.	India.	110,000.
5 - - - -	John D. Grave.	India.	3,200.
9 - - - -	Robert Whitchurch.	Holland.	270. Foreign Coin.
10 - - - -	Will. Beauchamp.	India.	174. Pieces 8.
20 - - - -	John Blackstone.	India.	700. Pieces 8.
26 - - - -	New East-India Company.	India.	400. Pieces 8.
In all - - - - -			Ounces. dwt. 5,344,656. 15.

An ACCOUNT of Molten Silver, and Bullion, exported since Michaelmas 1697.

<i>Time of Entry.</i>	<i>By whom.</i>	<i>To what Place.</i>	<i>Quantity.</i>
1697.			Ounces. dwts.
Nov. 19.	Moses Francia.	Rotterdam.	4,099.
January 3.	Old E. Ind. Company.	India.	75,760. 5.
10 - - - -	Old Company.	India.	155,429.
14 - - - -	John Houblon.	Do.	3,503. 10.
15 - - - -	Peter Mayer.	Do.	5,893.
27 - - - -	Old Company.	Do.	52,234.
28 - - - -	Old Company.	Do.	27,249. 10.
28 - - - -	Old Company.	Do.	86,167.
February 1.	Edw. Collison.	Do.	1,871.
3 - - - -	John D. Costa.	Rotterdam.	142.
12 - - - -	Robert Willmot.	India.	2,759. 15.
March 14.	John D. Costa.	Do.	1,550.
1698. April 19.	Old Company.	Do.	44,549.
21 - - - -	Hen. Trenwith.	Do.	5,318.
May 5.	Sir Ste. Evans.	Rotterdam.	1,835.
April 19.	Old Company.	India.	50,227. 15.
May 16.	Geo. Finch.	Rotterdam.	5,044.
23 - - - -	Peter Floyer.	Do.	2,834.
30 - - - -	Bank of England.	Holland.	5,999.
June 23.	Do.	Do.	5,861.
23 - - - -	Peter Floyer.	Rotterdam.	8,111.
October 21.	Robert Rigden.	Do.	1,169.
25 - - - -	Old Company.	India.	14,058.
December 10.	Do.	Do.	28,265.
22 - - - -	Old Company.	India.	10,384.
January 12.	Do.	Do.	29,216. 5.
February 20.	New Company.	Do.	5,454. 5.



<i>Time of Entry.</i> 1698.	<i>By whom.</i>	<i>To what Place.</i>	<i>Quantity.</i>	
25 February.	Old Company.	India.	Ounces.	dwts.
May 4.	David Penso.	Rotterdam.	40,621.	10.
July 29.	Old Company.	India.	4,470.	
31 - - -	New Company.	Do.	21,177.	
August 1.	Tho. Goddard.	Do.	23,483.	
December 5.	Old Company.	Do.	637.	
16 - - -	New Company.	Do.	73,201.	7.
20 - - -	Henry Burwell.	Do.	139,563.	
22 - - -	New Company.	Do.	917.	
January 2d.	Do.	Do.	25,612.	
			6,309.	
TOTAL			967,174.	7.

Exported to India by			Ounces.	dwts.
The Old Company	-	-	708,539	17
New Company	-	-	200,421	5
Particular Persons	-	-	18,649	5
			927,610	7
To Holland,				
By particular Persons	-	-	39,564	0
			967,174	7

Pieces of 8, and other Foreign Coin :			Foreign Coin.	
Exported to India by				
The Old Company	-	-	2,628,814	10
New Company	-	-	1,620,607	
Particular Persons	-	-	747,532	10
			4,996,945	0
By particular Persons, to several other Places	-	-	347,711	15
			5,344,656	15

Molten Silver in Bars, Ingots, &c.				
Exported to India by				
The Old Company	-	-	708,539	17
New Company	-	-	200,421	5
Particular Persons	-	-	18,649	5
			927,610	7
To Holland by particular Persons	-	-	39,564	
			967,174	7
TOTAL			6,311,831	2

Extracted out of the Books remaining in the Secretary's Office.

*Tho. Evans.*

*Custom-house, London, 27 January 1699.*

Woollen Ma-  
nufactures  
exported.

The said ACCOUNTS of the Woollen Manufactures, exported from the Port of London, from Michaelmas 1697, to Michaelmas 98.

<i>Quality.</i>	<i>Quantity.</i>	<i>Duty.</i>
Bays double	26,022 $\frac{1}{2}$ Pieces.	£. s. d. 3,602 5 0
Bays single	6,442 Pieces.	322 2 0
Bays small Minikin	10,217 Pieces.	1,532 12 6
Coverlets Wool and Hair	2,260 Pieces.	188 6 8
Cottons Welsh plain	36,019 Goads.	45 0 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Cottons Northern	328,148 $\frac{1}{2}$ Goads.	328 2 11
Cloth long	46,113 Pieces.	8,646 3 9
Cloth short	16,057 $\frac{1}{2}$ Pieces.	2,676 5 0
Cloth Spanish	11,462 $\frac{1}{2}$ Pieces.	1,273 12 11 $\frac{1}{2}$
Cloth in Remnants	70,295 L.	183 1 1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Cloth Rashes	239 $\frac{1}{2}$ Pieces.	26 18 3
Cloth List	14,500 Yards.	1 1 9

Quality.	Quantity.	Duty.
		£. s. d.
Cloth Broad - - - - -	14 Pieces.	2 12 6
Devon Doz. Doubles - - - - -	26 Pieces.	0 17 4
Flannel - - - - -	244,547 $\frac{1}{2}$ Yards.	4,585 5 4
Frize - - - - -	135,962 Yards.	3,399 1 0
Hats Beavers - - - - -	468 Doz.	46 16 0
Hats Casters - - - - -	4,989 $\frac{1}{12}$ Doz.	498 18 2
Hats Felts - - - - -	5,639 $\frac{1}{3}$ Doz.	140 19 8
Kerseys - - - - -	12,794 $\frac{1}{4}$ Pieces.	710 19 3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Northern Doz. Doubles - - - - -	2,148 Pieces.	358 1 8
Do. Single - - - - -	64 Pieces.	10 13 4
Penistons frized - - - - -	502 Pieces.	41 16 8
Penistons unfried - - - - -	177 Pieces.	7 7 6
Perpetuanas - - - - -	1,527,332 L.	4,772 18 3
Ruggs Irish - - - - -	3,291 Pieces.	54 17 0
Says - - - - -	187,327 L.	624 8 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Serges - - - - -	462,036 L.	1,443 17 3
Stuffs Worsted - - - - -	817,517 L.	3,406 6 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Do. with Hair - - - - -	1,627 L.	5 8 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Do. with Silk - - - - -	40,087 $\frac{1}{2}$ L.	167 0 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
Stockens Mens Worsted - - - - -	53,210 $\frac{1}{3}$ Doz.	1,100 6 3
Do. Mens Woollen - - - - -	51,134 $\frac{1}{12}$ Doz.	639 3 9
Do. Childs Woollen - - - - -	31,781 $\frac{1}{12}$ Doz.	134 8 5
Do. Childs Worsted - - - - -	3,173 $\frac{1}{12}$ Doz.	26 8 10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Waistcoats Woollen - - - - -	2,238 $\frac{1}{4}$ Doz.	} Free Custom.
Do. Worsted - - - - -	72 $\frac{1}{3}$ Doz.	
Total - - - - -	£.	41,004 4 10

Exported from the Out Ports from Michaelmas 1697 to Michaelmas 1698.

Quality.	Quantity.	Duties.
		£. s. d.
Bays double - - - - -	7,176 Pieces.	717 12 0
Do. single - - - - -	28,069 $\frac{1}{2}$ Pieces.	1,403 9 6
Do. small Minikin - - - - -	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ Pieces.	0 13 6
Do. coarse - - - - -	763 Pieces.	38 3 0
Cloth broad - - - - -	285 Pieces.	53 8 9
Cloth long - - - - -	498 $\frac{1}{2}$ Pieces.	93 7 6
Cloth short - - - - -	2,221 $\frac{1}{4}$ Pieces.	370 5 6
Cloth Spanish - - - - -	210 $\frac{1}{3}$ Pieces.	23 7 9
Cloth Rashs - - - - -	298 $\frac{1}{3}$ Pieces.	32 1 1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Cloth Woollen - - - - -	11,846 L.	30 16 11
Cottons Northern - - - - -	53,648 Goads.	53 13 0
Do. Welsh plain - - - - -	4,463 Goads.	5 11 3
Northern Doz. Doubles - - - - -	2,707 Pieces.	451 3 4
Do. single - - - - -	21,715 Pieces.	1,809 11 8
Devon Doz. Doubles - - - - -	533 Pieces.	17 15 4
Dunsters - - - - -	100 Pieces.	3 6 8
Hats Bevers - - - - -	7	1 2
Hats Casters - - - - -	433 $\frac{1}{12}$ Doz.	43 6 3
Hats Felts - - - - -	3,850 $\frac{1}{3}$ Pieces.	96 5 0
Flannel - - - - -	20,254 Yards.	379 15 3
Freze - - - - -	1,477 Yards.	36 18 6
Kersies - - - - -	54,144 Pieces.	6,016 0 0
Penistons frized - - - - -	288 Pieces.	24 0 0
Do. unfried - - - - -	275 Pieces.	11 9 2
Perpetuanas - - - - -	2,166,408 L.	6,770 0 6
Says - - - - -	42,273 L.	140 18 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Serges - - - - -	249,254 L.	778 18 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Stockens Mens Worsted - - - - -	4,639 $\frac{1}{3}$ Doz.	144 19 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Do. Mens Woollen - - - - -	8,053 $\frac{1}{3}$ Doz.	100 13 4
Do. Childs Worsted - - - - -	73 Doz.	0 12 2
Do. Childs Woollen - - - - -	3,996 Doz.	16 13 0
Stuffs Worsted - - - - -	324,575 L.	1,081 18 4
Do. with Silk - - - - -	9,198 L.	38 6 6
Do. with Hair - - - - -	293 L.	19 10 8
Linsey Woolsey - - - - -	2,055 L.	6 17 0
Dorset Doz. - - - - -	172 Pieces.	8 10 6
Cloth List - - - - -	25,394 Yards.	19 0 11

Quality.						Quantity.		Duties.		
								£.	s.	d.
Coverlets Wool and Hair	-	-	-	-	-	83	Pieces.	0	6	11
Worsted Ends of Stockens	-	-	-	-	-	5,762	Doz.	96	0	8
Ruggs Irish	-	-	-	-	-	2,055	Pieces.	34	5	0
Total								20,969	13	8
<i>London.</i>										
Total of the Duties								41,004	4	10
<i>Out Ports.</i>										
Total of the Duties								20,969	13	8
Total								£. 61,973	18	6

Will. Culliford, Inspector General.

#### Imports and Exports.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Accounts be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and particularly to consider of the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

Dolphin  
Ship.

Sir George Rook, from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, according to Order, presented to the House the Copies of the Orders for fitting out, and sailing, of the Ship *Dolphin*:

And the Titles thereof were read:

And the said Copies are as follow;

A Copy of an Order for fitting out the Ship *Dolphin*:  
*Admiralty Office*, 29th June 98.

Gentlemen,

We do hereby desire and direct you to cause his Majesty's Ship the *Dolphin*, at *Portsmouth*, to be, with all possible Dispatch, fitted out to Sea for a foreign Voyage, and manned with the lowest Complement of Men: And you are to order the Company of the said Ship to be borne and victualled aboard One of the Ships in ordinary at *Portsmouth*, during the *Dolphin*'s refitting. So we remain

Your affectionate Friends,

*Navy Board.*

H. Priestman,  
R. Rich,  
J. Kendall.

A Copy of an Order for fitting out the Ship *Dolphin*.  
*Admiralty Office*, 9<sup>o</sup> July 1698.

Gentlemen,

We do hereby desire and direct you to cause his Majesty's Ship the *Dolphin*, at *Portsmouth*, to be, with all possible Dispatch, fitted out to Sea for a foreign Voyage, manned with her lowest Complement of Men, and victualled for Eight Months, of the same Species of Provisions as the Ships bound to the *West Indies*. So we remain.

Your affectionate Friends,

*Navy Board.*

H. Priestman,  
R. Rich,  
G. Rooke.

A Copy of an Order for putting the Officers and Company of the *Dolphin* on board some Ship in ordinary at *Portsmouth*, till they are paid off; and fitting the *Dolphin* for Sea; according to former Orders.

*Admiralty Office*, 18 July 1698.

Gentlemen,

Whereas we have lately granted a Commission for Captain *Hunter* to be Captain of his Majesty's Ship the *Dolphin*; we do hereby desire and direct you to cause Captain *Humph. Blower*, her late Commander, and all the Officers and Company belonging to the said Ship, excepting Captain *Hunter*, and the Warrant Officers, and their allowed Servants, to be put aboard some One of

his Majesty's Ships in ordinary at *Portsmouth*, which you shall think most convenient, and borne there, both in Wages and Victuals, in the same manner as they were in the *Dolphin*, until they shall be paid off: And that the said Ship *Dolphin* be fitted for the Sea with all possible Dispatch, according to our late Orders to you. So we remain

Your affectionate Friends,

*Navy Board.*

Orford,  
R. Rich,  
J. Houblon.

Extract of a Letter from Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, dated the 16th January 1698, about Instructions for Captain *Hunter*.

The inclosed Request of the Earl of *Macclesfield* having been laid before the King; his Majesty commands me to send the same to your Lordships; and to acquaint you with his Majesty's Pleasure, That Captain *Hunter* being designed to command his Majesty's Ship the *Dolphin*, in the Discovery of a considerable Wreck in the *West Indies*, his Majesty would have you consider of such Instructions as may be proper to be given to the said Captain for the due Performance of his Service.

A true Copy,

J. Burchett.

Instructions to Captain *Hunter*, Commander of his Majesty's Ship *Dolphin*, upon the Discovery of Wrecks in the *West Indies*, proposed by the Gentlemen concerned in the said Wrecks.

After you have received your Orders from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, you are to make the best of your Way to *Barbadoes*; and proceed from thence, with all Expedition. You are, in the First Place, to use the best of your Endeavours, to find out, and take up, such Wrecks as are contained and described in the several Papers you have left in the Hands of *Samuel Traverse* Esquire, for the Use and Benefit of all the Parties concerned; and afterwards such other Wrecks as you shall receive Intelligence of, pursuant to our Indenture with Sir *James Houblon*, and Company, by virtue of Letters Patents to his Grace the Duke of *Schonberg* and *Leinster*, between Twelve Degrees South and Forty Degrees North Latitude.

You are also, with the Consent of such Agent as we shall appoint, to contract with any Person or Persons for any new Discoveries within our due Limits, other than what is contained in your above mentioned Papers; and to allow him or them such a Share, not exceeding a Tenth Part, for such their Discovery, as you Two shall agree upon; which Share or Proportion, so contracted for between you Two and such Discoverer, is to be deducted out of the net Proceed of the said Discovery.

You are to keep a true Journal of your Proceedings; and an exact Account of all Treasure, &c. by you to be taken up; and to transmit the same to us, signed by yourself,

yourself, and attested by his Majesty's Agent and ours, from time to time, by all Opportunities.

You are also to go or send to the Island of *Jamaica* once in Two or Three Months, Wind and Weather permitting, there to inquire for and receive such further Orders and Directions as we, from time to time, shall send you; which you are punctually to observe, having a due Regard to the Orders of the Right Honourable the Lords of the Admiralty; and also, by all Opportunities, to transmit us a true Account of all your Proceedings and Transactions relating to your Undertaking: And, in case of your Death, which God prevent, you are to leave all the Papers relating to this Undertaking with our Agent then on board you, the better to enable him to prosecute the said Undertaking, under the Command of such Persons as the said Right Honourable the Lords of the Admiralty shall appoint to succeed you.

You are not to inspect the Papers or Accounts of the Two Persons appointed Agents for the King, and the Persons concerned, without their Consent; and to permit them quietly to do their Business.

A true Copy,

J. Burchett.

A Copy of Instructions to Captain *Hunter*, Commander of his Majesty's Ship the *Dolphin*, 31 January 1698.

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England, Scotland, and Ireland, &c.*

Whereas his Majesty hath been pleased to order, That the Ship *Dolphin*, under your Command, shall be fitted out for an Expedition to the *West Indies*, in order to the taking up several Wrecks, which are contained and described in the several Papers which you have left in the Hands of *Samuel Traverse* Esquire, for the Use and Benefit of the Parties concerned therein; as also such other Wrecks as you shall receive Intelligence of, pursuant to the Indentures between the said Persons, and Sir *James Houblon*, and Company, by virtue of Letters Patents to his Grace the Duke of *Schonberg*, between Twelve Degrees South and Forty Degrees North Latitude:

You are therefore hereby required and directed forthwith to proceed on this Service, with the Ship under your Command; and, with all possible Care and Diligence, put in Execution, as well the Instructions from the Persons concerned, hereunto annexed, as what further Orders and Instructions shall be given you, from time to time, by them, in the fishing for, recovering, and disposing of, all, or any Part, of the said Wrecks, as you shall recover, that so his Majesty's Share thereof may be demanded and received.

When you have done what you are able, in the Performance of this Service, you are to return, with the Ship you command, to *England*, calling in at *Plymouth* for Orders; and, if you find none there to the contrary, you are to make the best of your Way to the *Downes*, and remain there till further Order, giving us an Account of your Proceedings.

You are to receive on board the Ship you command, such Person as the Right Honourable the Lords of his Majesty's Treasury shall appoint to take Care of the King's Share of the Wrecks, which shall be recovered; as also such other Person as the Parties concerned in the said Wrecks shall appoint to look after and manage their Affairs; allowing them Victuals during the time they shall be aboard you, as to your Ship's Company, and bearing them as Supernumeraries on your Books.

You are, by all Opportunities you shall meet with, to send this Board an Account of your Proceedings; and, during the whole Term of the Voyage, you are to take particular Care not to annoy any of his Majesty's Ships, or those of his Allies, but rather to give them what Assistance you can, without Hindrance or Prejudice to the Affair whereon you are employed.

And, for the better lengthening out your Provision, you are to put the Men under your Command, when

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you come out of the Chanel, to Six to Four Mens Allowance, assuring them, that they shall be punctually paid for the same at the End of the Voyage.

Dated at the Admiralty Office, the 31st of January 1698.

To Captain *Collin Hunter*,  
Commander of his Majesty's Ship *Dolphin*.

Orford,  
H. Priestman,  
G. Rooke,  
H. Houblon,  
J. Kendall.

Extract of a Letter from Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, dated the 30th of January 1698.

I have laid before his Majesty your Lordship's Letter of the 23d Instant, with the inclosed Copies of Instructions for the Commander of his Majesty's Ship the *Dolphin*, as well from your Lordship, as from the Persons concerned in the Wrecks that are to be fished up; whereupon his Majesty hath commanded me to acquaint you, That he approves of the said Instructions.

A true Copy,

J. Burchett.

Ordered, That the said Copies do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

A Petition of the *English Company* trading to the *East Indies* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are the greatest Part of the Subscribers intitled to the sole Trade to the *East Indies*, after a certain time, by virtue of an Act of Parliament for raising Two Millions upon a Fund for Payment of Annuities; and the Petitioners are accordingly incorporated: That the *Old East India Company* were, by the said Act, to continue their Trade to *India* no longer than the 29th of September 1701; according to which limited Time, and the Power reserved by his Majesty in their Charter, his Majesty sent them Notice of their Determination: And the Consideration, that his Majesty had no Power to erect any other Company to trade to *India* with a Joint Stock but the One Company aforesaid, was the Inducement for the Petitioners to make the said Loan: That the Petitioners are informed, the *Old East India Company* have petitioned this House upon divers Suggestions for continuing them a Corporation for the Management of a Subscription of 315,000*l.* made by Mr. *John Dubois*, in Trust for them: And that the House hath given Leave to bring in a Bill for that Purpose, which is ordered a Second Reading: That the said Bill is directly contrary to the said Act of Parliament; destructive of the Petitioners Rights; and the erecting another Corporation, to trade with a Joint Stock, will be dishonourable and disadvantageous to the *English Nation*, and Interest in the *East Indies*, and other foreign Parts: And praying, That they may be heard at the Bar of the House, before the said Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Petitioners be heard, by their Counsel, at the Bar of this House, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, against the Bill for continuing the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London* trading to the *East Indies* a Corporation, upon the Second Reading thereof: And that the Counsel for the *Old East India Company* be heard, at the same time, for the said Bill.

A Petition of several Persons, on behalf of themselves, and many others, who advanced to his Majesty the Sum of 564,700*l.* upon the Credit of an Act of Parliament, made in the 6th and 7th Years of his Majesty's Reign, for granting to his Majesty certain Rates and Duties upon Stone, Glass, Earthen Wares, Coals, and Culin, for the Term of Five Years, for carrying on the War against *France*, empowering his Majesty to borrow the said Sum, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, to encourage Persons to lend the said Money, there was a Clause in the said Act, That what should fall short to pay Principal and Interest by the said Fund, should be paid out of the next Aids to be granted by Parliament: That, the then next Session, the Duties on Stone, Glass, and

Old East  
India Com-  
pany.

Duty on  
Stone, &c.



and Earthen Wares, were appropriated for establishing a national Land Bank, and the Duty on Coals was quite taken off, without the Petitioners Consent; which would have fully paid them; so that they were left without any Security: That the next Session, in the 8th and 9th Years of his Majesty's Reign, a Duty was laid upon Leather, for Three Years, for Payment of the Petitioners; and a Clause for transferring the Deficiency, to be made good out of the First Aids to be given by Parliament: That, in the 9th and 10th Years of the King, a Duty was laid on Coals and Culin again, for raising 500,000*l.*: And the Petitioners then petitioned the House, That they might be restored to their First Security; but their Petition was not received: That the Duty on Leather has not paid off any Principal for above 12 Months past, and will expire the 20th of April next; whereby the Petitioners will not have any Fund for Repayment of their said Debt; wherein, they conceive, the Credit of the Nation is highly concerned; and praying, That their Case may be taken into Consideration: And that they may be restored to their First Security; or that some other effectual Provision may be made for Repayment of their said just Debt, and Interest.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty; to whom the Account of Deficiencies, not already provided for, is referred.

Woollen Manufactures.

A Petition of the Mayor, Burgesses, Assistants, Gentlemen, Merchants, Clothiers, Sergemakers, Weavers, Fullers, and other Inhabitants of the Town and Parish of *Tiverton*, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, that the sole Dependence of the said Town, and Parts adjacent, is upon the Woollen Manufactures; which Trade is generally decayed by Exporting of Wool, and the Prohibition of our Woollen Manufactures in *Flanders*; occasioned by the great Duties on their Linens, and other their Manufactures imported hither: And praying the House to find some Expedient for redressing the same.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom it is referred to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and, particularly, to consider of the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Clothiers, Weavers, and other the Inhabitants of the Town of *Bampton*, and Parts adjacent, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Trade of the Woollen Manufactory is, of late, very much decayed; and thereby many Thousand Persons, who used to maintain themselves, are reduced to Poverty; occasioned by the Exporting of Wool, and the Prohibition of the *English* Woollen Manufactures in *Flanders*, and the great Duties here on their Linens imported: And praying the Consideration of the House for redressing their Grievances.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom it is referred to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and, particularly, to consider of the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

Exporting Corn, &c.

Sir *Thomas Cook*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for prolonging the Time for prohibiting the Exportation of Corn, Malt, Meal, Flour, Bread, Biscuit, or Starch: And the same was received.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be read upon *Monday* Morning next; It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be read upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Order for keeping clear Lobby, &c.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, and his Messengers, do take all Care possible to

keep the Lobby, and Passages, and Stairs of the House, clear from all loose, idle, and disorderly Persons.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Christopher Wren* do open the little Pair of Stairs to the House, lately closed up.

Little Pair of Stairs to be opened.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for cleansing, and making and keeping more navigable, the River *Ouze*, be read upon *Monday* Morning next.

Ouze Navigation.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and, particularly, to consider of the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

State of Trade.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Colonel *Granville* also acquainted the House, That the Committee had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and, particularly, to consider of the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Sevensnight.

Hamborough Company.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Lunæ*, 29<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Clothiers of *Stroudwater*, and others of the County of *Gloucester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they conceive the Commissioners appointed, by an Act made in the First Year of his Majesty's Reign, for preventing the Exportation of Wool, were disabled from putting the same in Execution for want of a Fund to support the Charge of so great an Undertaking; but the said Commissioners, at the earnest Solicitation of the Petitioners, have, at their own Expence, done their utmost to put the Laws in Execution; and have made many considerable Seizures of Wool, and discovered many notorious Offenders; whereby the Petitioners are very sensible the Woollen Trade has received Advantage, and would receive a further Benefit, were the said Commissioners encouraged by a public Supply of a moderate Tax to be laid upon Wool, which the Petitioners would willingly pay, if the House shall please to lay the same: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

Exporting Wool.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Sir *Jacob Banks* Knight, and Dame *Mary* his Wife, Lords of the Manor of *Somerford*, contiguous to the Sea, near *Christ Church*, in the County of *Southampton*, and of the Freeholders, Tenants, Fishermen, and Inhabitants of the said Manor, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Undertakers for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*, appointed by Act of Parliament made in the 16th and 17th Years of the Reign of King *Charles* the II<sup>d</sup>, have not since been able to make the same navigable, to any Advantage to themselves, nor the Country;

Avon Navigation.

Country; but, on Pretence of making the Haven below *Christ Church* better, they made a Cut from the Sea; whereby the Sand is brought in, and the Haven is much worse, and like to be choaked up for want of the Current through its old Passage: They have also built a House, now an Alehouse, on the ancient Landing Place by the Haven, being the Waste of the said Manor, without any Leave or Satisfaction; and an Ejectment being brought for the same, by the then Lady of the Manor, the Undertakers procured some of their Commissioners to make a Decree for their enjoying the House, and also Two Acres of Land more adjoining, paying only 4*d.* per Annum to the Proprietors, although the same was of considerable Value to the Petitioners for several Uses: And the said new Cut hath occasioned the Lands of the said Manor to waste away more than formerly; and spoiled a Fishing of considerable yearly Value to the Petitioners, and the Support of many poor Families: That the present Undertakers, being certain Persons in *New Sarum*, by Colour of some Orders made by some of the Commissioners, have demanded of the Petitioners unreasonable Duties for exporting and importing Goods at the Haven from the ancient Landing Place, to the great Hindrance of Trade at *Somerford*; and have also laid many Fines for not cutting the Weeds in the said River; and, by many unjust Pretences, exact what they can, finding they are never like to make any Advantage by the Navigation; yet have obtained Leave to bring in a Bill for making the Act, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*, more effectual; to enlarge the Undertakers Power on the said River, to the Prejudice of the Petitioners: And praying the House to redress the Injuries done to the Petitioners, in such manner as shall be thought meet.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by the Committee thereupon.

Avon  
Navigation.

A Petition of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Parish of *Ellingham*, near the River *Avon*, in the County of *Southampton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Undertakers for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*, by virtue of an Act of Parliament made in the 16 and 17th Years of King *Charles* the II<sup>d</sup>, have not been able to effect the same to any Advantage to themselves, or the Country; but have much injured many People by procuring great Fines to be laid on them for not cutting the Weeds in the said River, and many other causeless Pretences; and, for the more easy Recovery of such Fines, have brought a Bill into this House, upon Pretence of making the said River more navigable, and for enlarging the Powers of the former Act, which already have been very injurious to the Country: And praying, That the Petitioners may be secured against all unreasonable Demands of the Undertakers; and that they may be heard against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by the Committee thereupon.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Town and Parish of *Ringwood*, near the River *Avon*, in the County of *Southampton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by an Act of Parliament,

made in the 16 and 17th Years of the Reign of King *Charles* the II<sup>d</sup>, for making navigable the River *Avon* from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*, Undertakers were appointed to effect the same; which they have not yet done, to any Advantage to themselves, or the Country; whom they have hitherto very much injured by treading down the Grass, and spoiling the Ground near the River, without making any Satisfaction; and sometimes have gotten Decrees for their Land at an Under-value; and have procured Fines to be laid for not cutting the Weeds in the said River, though they were no Prejudice to the Undertakers, or any body else; by which, and many other causeless Pretences, the Act, which was designed to be for the Good of the Country, is converted to their Oppression; and there is a Bill in the House for making the Act, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*, more effectual; the chief Design whereof being to enlarge the Power of the Undertakers, and for the more easy Recovery of such unjust Fines and Taxes as are or shall be laid by them, the Petitioners pray, That they may be secured, and heard against the same.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by the Committee thereupon.

A Petition of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of *Sopley*, *Ripley*, and *Avon*, near *Christ Church*, and the River *Avon*, in the County of *Southampton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Undertakers for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*, by an Act made in the 16 and 17th Years of King *Charles* the II<sup>d</sup>, have not been able to effect the same to any Advantage; but have made the Haven worse, and committed great Injuries to Landowners near the said River, without making any Satisfaction; and the new Undertakers have procured the Commissioners for putting the said Act in Execution to lay several unreasonable Fines on the Petitioners, and others, for not cutting the Weeds, and keeping up ancient Weirs on the River, which are no Prejudice to the Navigation; and demand Duties for exporting and importing Goods at the ancient Haven below *Christ Church*, to the great Oppression of the Country; and the Undertakers, finding they are like to have no other Benefit by the said Navigation, have procured Leave to bring a Bill into the House for making the Act, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*, more effectual; the Design whereof is to empower them the more easily to recover their unreasonable Demands, and enlarge their Powers, that they may be more vexatious to the Petitioners, and the whole Country: And praying, That they may be secured against all Exactions of the Undertakers; and be heard to shew their Reasons against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by the Committee thereupon.

The House being informed, That the Deputy of the Treasurer of *Greenwich* Hospital attended at the Door; *Hospital*.

He was called in: And, at the Bar, presented to the House an Account of the Receipts and Payments made by *John Evelyn* Esquire, as Treasurer of *Greenwich* Hospital. And then withdrew.

The Account was read; and is as followeth; viz.

25 January 1699.	Debtor.	Per Contra.	Creditor.
	£. s. d.		£. s. d.
To Money received of the King in the Year 1696, due at <i>Christmas</i> 1695	2,000 0 0	By Money paid, as appears by the monthly Books for the Works at <i>Greenwich</i> Hospital, and incident Charges, in the Year 1696	5,915 18 7½
To more received by Subscriptions and free Gifts, in the said Year 1696	1,416 0 0	By Money paid, as appears by the monthly Books ditto for the Year 1697	8,971 10 4½
	3,416 0 0	By more paid, as appears by the monthly Books ditto for the Year 1698	11,585 13 10½
To more received in the Year 1697, of the King, due at <i>Christmas</i> 1696	2,000 0 0	By more paid, as appears by the monthly Books ditto for the Year ended at <i>Christmas</i> 1699	12,022 0 2
To more received by Money arising by Seamen's Wages per Sixpence per Month, in the said Year 1697	3,334 16 3	Total	38,495 3 1
To more received by Subscriptions and free Gifts, in the said Year 1697	1,502 0 0		
	6,836 16 3	Receipts	39,244 17 11
		Payments	38,495 3 1
To more received by Money arising by Seamen's Wages ditto in the Year 1698	8,678 0 0	Balance	749 14 10
To more received per Subscriptions and free Gifts, in the said Year 1698	507 8 4	Due for Materials delivered, and for Work done at <i>Greenwich</i> Hospital, at <i>Christmas</i> 1699	9,865 0 0
Several <i>French</i> Merchants fined by Parliament 19,500 <i>l.</i> of which received in Money	5,782 0 0	Remains in my Hands, in Million Lottery Tickets, Twelve thousand Five hundred Seventy-six Pounds, to be paid in Eleven Years, as on the other Side.	
	14,967 8 4	The whole Sixpences, arising by Seamen's Wages, amounts to	23,882 16 3
Remained then in hand, in Million Lottery Tickets, 13,718 <i>l.</i> payable in 12 Years, by 1,143 <i>l.</i> 3 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> per Annum; viz. from <i>Michaelmas</i> 1699, to <i>Michaelmas</i> 1711.		The Books, with the Vouchers and Tickets, are ready to be produced by	J. Evelyn, Tr.
To more received per Seamen's Wages in 1699	11,870 0 0		
To more received in 1699, per Subscriptions, &c.	1,012 13 4		
To more received in the Year 1699, in part of the Million Lottery Tickets	1,142 0 0		
	14,024 13 4		
Total	39,244 17 11		

Ordered, That the Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

such Committees as are to sit in the Afternoons of the Days upon which Committees shall be adjourned.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

Importing wrought Silks, &c.

A Petition of divers Yarn-makers, Combers, and others, concerned in the Woollen Manufacture in the County of *Norfolk*, on the behalf of themselves, and many Thousand poor People, who have their Dependence on them, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by the great Quantity of *East India* wrought Silks, Stuffs mixed with Silk, *Bengalls*, and printed Calicoes, worn in this Kingdom, the Trade of the Woollen Manufacture is very much prejudiced, to the Impoverishing of the Petitioners; and, unless some Restraint be laid upon those Manufactures of *India*, far greater Quantities will be imported, and worn in his Majesty's Dominions, to the Ruin of the Petitioners: And praying Relief therein.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and particularly to consider of the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

Committees.

Ordered, That the Order, touching Committees being adjourned at the Rising of the House, do extend only to

Mr. *Harley* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for rectifying a Mistake in the Marriage Settlement of *Thomas Hopwood* Gentleman on *Elizabeth* his Wife, in order to raise Portions for younger Children, and to pay Debts, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations thereof; and that all Parties concerned had given their Consents to the same, to the Satisfaction of the said Committee: And that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Carter* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to state the Incumbrances upon the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, That they had examined the Matter upon the Petition of *George Moor*, of *London*, Merchant, and stated his Debt; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and

Hopwood's Marriage Settlement.

King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.

and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

That the said <i>George Moor</i> recovered Judgment against Mr. <i>Lenthal</i> , as in the former Report, for	£.	s.	d.
Of which Mr. <i>Moor</i> has since received, by virtue of an <i>Elegit</i> executed upon Mr. <i>Lenthal's</i> Goods, and Estate, at <i>Great Hasely</i> in <i>Oxfordshire</i> - - -	2,025	0	0
	279	0	7
So there remains due to Mr. <i>Moor</i> -	1,745	19	5

*Ordered*, That the said State do lie upon the Table until the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances of the *King's Bench* Prison; and for Dissolution of the said Prison; be read a Second time.

Trade to Germany.

A Petition of several Gentlemen, Clothiers, and others, concerned in and for the Woollen Manufactory in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Foreigners, having of late Years, been permitted to export the Woollen Manufactures upon equal Terms with *English* Merchants, have gotten the greatest Part of that Trade to *Holland* and *Flanders*; and that Trade to *Germany* is in great Danger of falling into their Hands also, if some further Encouragement be not given to *English* Merchants to export our Woollen Manufactures thither, and thereby the Danger of their being debased by Foreigners, who export them almost wholly unmanufactured, may be prevented: And praying, That Provision may be made, for encouraging his Majesty's natural-born Subjects to export our Woollen Manufactures to *Germany*, and keeping that Trade from falling into the Hands of Foreigners.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time.

Privilege — a Person petitions for Discharge.

A Petition of *John Haynes*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for being the Occasion of writing a false and scandalous Letter, touching the Charge of the Committee Rooms, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, having had great Losses in Trade, is utterly incapable to pay such Fees as may accrue upon his long Confinement; and that he is heartily sorry for having given any Offence to the House: And praying, That he may be discharged out of Custody.

*Ordered*, That the said *John Haines* be brought to the Bar upon *Wednesday* Morning next, in order to his Discharge.

Exporting Wool from Ireland.

A Petition of the Merchants and others, Traders and Dealers in Wool, in and about the City and County of *Exon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Government of *Ireland* will not permit any Wool to be laden there, without paying to Mr. *Tho. Putland*, of *Dublin*, 21 l. 5 s. for every thousand Stone of Wool exported thence into *England*; pretending the same is for Licence Money and Certificates; which is to the great Detriment of the Petitioners, and contrary to an Act made the last Session of Parliament, to prevent the Exportation of Wool out of *Ireland* and *England* into foreign Parts; and for the Encouragement of the Woollen Manufactures in this Kingdom: And praying the Relief of the House for preventing the like Abuses for the future.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter; and state the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Edward Seymour*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Colson*, Mr. *Hysham*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Bertié*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Jacob Banks*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Methwyn*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Robert Dacres*, Mr. *Thursby*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Barth. Shore*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr.

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*Boscawen*, Mr. *Dryden*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Proby*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Sir *Wm. Scawen*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers; And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

A Petition of the Merchants and others, Traders and Dealers in Wool, in and about the Town of *Barnstable*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, notwithstanding an Act, made the last Session of Parliament, to prevent the Exportation of Wool out of the Kingdoms of *Ireland* and *England* into foreign Parts, ordering Licences to be taken from the Custom-houses in *England* to bring Wool hither from *Ireland*; yet the Government of *Ireland* will not permit any Wool to be laden there, without paying 21 l. 5 s. for every Thousand Stone of Wool exported thence into *England*; pretending such Imposition is for Licence Money and Certificates; which is contrary to Law, as the Petitioners are advised, who pay his Majesty's Customs in *Ireland* also: And praying, That the like Abuses may be prevented for the future, being very detrimental to the Petitioners in the Way of their Trades.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee: And that they do examine the Matter; and state the same to the House.

A Petition of several Inhabitants of the City of *Rochester* in the County of *Kent*, on behalf of themselves, and many others, Inhabitants of the said City, and Places adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners cheerfully underwent the Difficulties of the late War, and gave Quarters to many Thousands of sick and wounded Seamen; which caused the Petitioners to run in Debt for their Supply; and for which many Suits have been brought against them, although there is near 10,000 l. due to them from the Government; for want of which the Petitioners are very much prejudiced in their Trade and Credit: That the last Payment was made them in blank Malt Tickets; which, by reason of the great Discount upon them, they cannot pass away, without a much greater Loss than the Petitioners can bear: And praying the House to take their Necessities into Consideration, and to relieve them as shall be thought fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for repairing the Highways *Sevenokes* from *Sevenokes* to *Tonbridge* in the County of *Kent* be read upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for cleansing, and making and keeping more navigable, the River *Ouze*, be read upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Franchlyn* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting the Manor of *Exton*, and other Lands, in the County of *Somerset*, late the Estate of *Thomas Siderfin* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *King's Bench* Prison; and for Dissolution of the said Prison; be read a Second time upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *Fleet* Prison; and for Dissolution of the said Prison; be read a Second time upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

A Complaint



No Money  
to be de-  
manded of  
Persons sum-  
moned.

A Complaint being made to the House, That the Messengers belonging to the Serjeant at Arms attending this House had demanded Money of several Persons summoned by them to attend Committees;

*Declared*, That no Person summoned to attend the House, or Committees, as Witnesses, ought to pay any thing for their being so summoned.

Fees of Of-  
ficers of the  
House.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to inspect and settle the Fees to be taken by all the Officers and Servants of the House; and to examine what Salaries or Allowances they have from the Government; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. Rowney, Mr. Harvie, Sir Rowland Gwyn, Mr. Bertie, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Lowther, Mr. Gwyn, Mr. Freke, Mr. Moor, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Scobell, Mr. Northmore, Mr. Manaton, Sir Edw. Hussey, Sir John Bolles, Mr. Hare, Sir Jos. Tredenham, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Harcourt, Sir Wm. Ashurst, Mr. Fleming, Mr. Blaake, Mr. Dyot, Mr. Clark, Mr. Harley, Mr. England, Mr. Vaughan, Sir Edward Seymour, Mr. Mountague, Sir Rich. Onslow, Mr. Machell, Mr. Clayton, Sir Jo. Packington, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Molineux, Mr. Mountstevens, Mr. Tredenham, Mr. Brewer, Mr. Shackerly; or any Five of them: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And are to have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Dalham, &c.  
Manors.

Sir Rowland Gwyn, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Sale of the Manors of *Dalham cum Dunstall*, and *Abbotts*, in *Denham* in the County of *Suffolk*: And the same was received.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read upon *Thursday* Morning next.

Taylor's Pe-  
tition.

A Petition of *Catherine Taylor*, the late Widow of *William Rutter*, who was hanged by the *East India* Company at *St. Helena*, in behalf of herself, and Four Children, was presented to the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, and be read upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax.

Mr. Conyers, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards and Garrisons; and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen; and for other necessary Occasions: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Thursday* Morning next.

State of  
Trade.

Colonel *Granville*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and particularly to consider of the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom; the Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, for the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom, a further Duty be laid upon all wrought Silks and Stuffs, and painted and stained Callicoes, from *East India*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, for further encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom, all Duties upon Exportation of the Woollen Manufactures be taken off.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned until *Wednesday* Morning next.

Old East  
India Com-  
pany.

*Ordered*, That the Second Reading the Bill for continuing the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London*, trading to the *East Indies*, a Corporation, and the hearing the Counsel thereupon, be adjourned until *Thursday* Morning next.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir John *Franchlyn* and Sir *Robert Legard*: D'Harcourts, &c. Nat.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the Naturalization of *Oliver D'Harcourt*, and others: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*; and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688; to the Use of the Publick. Supply Bill; Irish Forfeitures.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had made a Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Greenhill* and Mr. *Brotherton* be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the poor Prisoners in the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* Prisons is referred. Insolvent Debtors.

And then the House adjourned till *Wednesday* Morning next, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii, 31<sup>a</sup> die Januarii;*

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

*ORDERED*, That the Consideration of the several Petitions relating to Half-pay, which have been presented to the House, be referred to the Committee, to whom the Papers relating to Half-pay are referred. Half-pay.

A Petition of *William Lenthall* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in this House, for paying of the Incumbrances on the *King's Bench* Prison; and for Dissolution of the said Prison; wherein there is a Debt pretended to be due from the Petitioner to the Earl of *Radnor*, of 20,140 *l.* against which the Petitioner hath many Reasons to offer, that there is not so much due, by 8,000 *l.* at least, if truly stated: And praying, that he may be heard by Counsel, what he hath to object against so great a Sum, wherewith he is so charged; and that the Petitioner may not be divested of his Inheritance upon the Suggestions in the said Bill. King's Bench Prison.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. *White*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for naturalizing *Theodore Jacobson*, *William Brown*, and *Sarah Haskinstiles*: And the same was received; and read the First time. Jacobson's, &c. Nat.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of *New Sarum* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by Act of Parliament, made in the 16 and 17th Years of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*, the Lord Chancellor, or Lord Keeper, of *England*, had Power to appoint, by Commission, such Persons as he should think fit, to be Undertakers to carry on the said Navigation; and accordingly Commissions have issued, and the Right and Title of the said Undertaking is come unto the Persons named in the Bill. Avon Navigation.

Bill depending in this House, for making the Act, for making the River *Avon* from *Christ Church* to the City of *New Sarum* navigable, more effectual; but, by reason of some Defects in the former Act, the said Navigation hath been retarded, though brought to some Perfection; on the finishing whereof the Trade of the said City doth greatly depend: And praying, That the said Bill may pass, being for a publick Good, and no Disadvantage to any Person whatsoever.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Council, before the said Committee, thereupon.

Avon  
Navigation.

A Petition of the Gentlemen, Freeholders, Tradesmen, and Inhabitants, of the Town and Parish of *Fordingbridge*, near the River *Avon*, in the County of *Southampton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That although Undertakers were appointed by virtue of an Act of Parliament made in the 16 and 17th of King *Charles* the Second, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*; yet they have not effected the same, nor are ever like to do it; but have done Abundance of Damage to the Persons whose Lands lie near the said River, without making them Satisfaction; and also pretend to lay Fines on Persons, on divers causeless Pretences, designing, by such unjust means, to exact what they can from the Country, finding they are like to make no Advantage any other Way by the Navigation; whereby the said Act is become oppressive to the Country; and, the better to recover such unreasonable Fines, they would, by a Bill depending in the House, for making the Act, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to the City of *New Sarum*, more effectual, be impowered further to be troublesome to the Country: And praying, That they may be secured against all Injuries and Demands of the Undertakers, and be heard against passing of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Parish of *Ibsly*, near the River *Avon*, in the County of *Southampton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That an Act of Parliament was made in the 16 and 17th Years of King *Charles* the Second, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*, by Undertakers for that Purpose, who have not since been able to effect the same, or do any manner of Good therein, nor are ever like to do it; but have done a great many Injuries to those who have Lands near the said River, by treading down their Grass, and spoiling their Grounds, without any Satisfaction; and have laid, and demand, many unreasonable Fines and Amercements for not cutting the Weeds in the River, though they are no Prejudice to the Undertakers, or any body else; and, by many other causeless Pretences, they oppress the Country, designing to exact what they can by such unjust Means, finding they are like to make no Advantage any other ways by the said Navigation: That there is a Bill in this House for making the said Act more effectual; which is designed only to enable the Undertakers to recover their unjust Demands more easily, and to give them further Powers on the said River; which already hath been extended to the Wrong of many People: And praying, That the Petitioners may be secured against all Demands of the said Undertakers, and be heard against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

Ditto.

A Petition of several Traders, Masters of Vessels, and Mariners, in and near *Christ Church*, in the County of *Southampton*, was presented to the House, and read;  
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setting forth, That, Time out of Mind, there has been a small Creek or Haven below the said Town, to which Three or Four small Vessels of the Petitioners, and others, belonged, for carrying Corn, and other Commodities, for the Use of the Country thereabouts, where they used a Place in *Somerford* Manor, by the Haven, for lading and unlading Goods; but now a small Key and Alehouse is built thereon, by Undertakers for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*, by virtue of an Act of Parliament made in the 16 and 17th Years of King *Charles* the Second's Reign; who have also made a new Cut from the Sea to the said Haven, with Design, as pretended, to make a new and better Haven; but the Undertakers, finding the Work impossible, left the same off, and made the Haven worse, and more dangerous Passage by the new Cut, whereby the Sand is brought in, and the Haven like to be utterly spoiled for want of the Current through the Old Passage; and the Petitioners have received no manner of Advantage by what the Undertakers have done; yet they, by Colour of Orders made by their Commissioners, demand, and have sued the Petitioners for, great Duties and Fines for using the said Haven, and for not cutting the Weeds in the said River, although the Petitioners conceive it was not intended, that the Undertakers Power, by the said Act, should extend below *Christ Church*, where the River was navigable before: That the Bill in the House, for making the said Act more effectual, is only to enable the Undertakers to recover such their unjust Taxations, and to give them a further Power, than they had before by the said former Act: And praying, That they may be relieved against all Fines and Demands of the Undertakers, and be heard against passing of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

A Bill for the erecting a Judicature to relieve poor Officers and Soldiers, touching their Pay detained from them, and other Injuries complained of, was read a Second time. Judicature for Relief of Officers and Soldiers.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Thursby*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Hughes*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Mr. *Campion*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Hamond*, Mr. *Bagot*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Orme*, Sir *Tho. Wagstaffe*, Sir *Theop. Oglethorp*, Mr. *Fleming*, Sir *Robert Eden*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Sir *Jo. Packington*, Sir *Wm. Cook*, Colonel *Drake*, Mr. *England*, Colonel *Perry*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Mr. *John Haynes* was, according to Order, brought to the Bar: Where he, upon his Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker. A Person reprimanded and discharged.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Haines* be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Commissioners for the Repair of *Dover* Harbour was referred, be made upon *Saturday* Morning next. Dover Harbour.

A Bill for cleansing, making, and keeping more navigable, the River *Ouze*, was read the First time. Ouze Navigation.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of *Edward Mansell*, of *Hen-Llys*, in the County of *Glamorgan*, Esquire, and *Margaret* his Wife, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner's Father, upon the Marriage of the Petitioners, did settle upon them, and their Heirs, in Tail Male, the Rectories impropriate of *Llanridian* and *Penrice*; and, for want of Issue Male, in Trust to raise Two thousand Pounds for Daughters Portions: That the Father  
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Father was also seised of the Manor of *Hen-Llys*, which was not settled upon the said Marriage; and, about Five Years since, died, leaving the same subject to a Debt of above Three thousand Pounds; as also a Charge by the said Deed of Two thousand Pounds, for the Petitioners Daughter or Daughters: That the Petitioners have only a Son and Daughter, and are desirous to pay and secure the said Debt and Portion with the most Ease and Conveniency to the Family: Therefore they pray, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for Sale of the said Rectories of *Llanridian* and *Penrice*, for Payment of the said Debt and Portion; and, in lieu thereof, to settle the Manor of *Hen-Llys*, and other Lands, of equal Value, and more convenient, to the same Uses, as the said Rectories were settled by the said Marriage Settlement.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. Price and Sir Edward Strudling do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Lark  
Navigation.

A Bill for making the River *Lark*, alias *Burn*, navigable, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Sir Robert Davers, Sir Wm. Gostwick, Mr. Harvey, Lord Edward Russel, Mr. Boscawen, Mr. White, Mr. Bertie, Mr. Hammond, Mr. Lowther, Mr. Harley, Mr. England, Lord Chenie, Sir Richard Temple, Lord Downes, Mr. Buller, Mr. Fox, Sir Isaac Rebow, Mr. Mounstevens, Mr. Scobell, Mr. Blofeild, Mr. Gerard, Sir Rushout Cullen, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Sandford, Mr. Eyres, Mr. Tredenham, Sir Rich. Farrington, Mr. Milbank, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Isham, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Shackerly, Mr. Brereton, Sir John Bolles, Mr. Gwynn, Sir John Thorold, Mr. Campion, Mr. Dryden, Mr. England, Mr. Proby, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Rayner; and all that serve for the Counties of *Norfolk*, *Suffolk*, and *Cambridge*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Capital Burgesses of *Wisbech*, Justices of Peace, Deputy Lieutenants, and other chief Inhabitants and Freeholders of the Towns of *Wisbech*, *Newton*, *Leverington*, *Tyd*, *St. Giles*, *Elme*, *Upwen*, *Outwell*, *Guy-Horne*, *Parson*, *Drove*, and *Murrow*, in the Isle of *Ely*, and County of *Cambridge*, on behalf of themselves, and the rest of the Inhabitants of the said Town, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Towns, and Country adjacent, for above Ten Miles Compass, for the most Part, consists of Pasture, Marsh, and Fen Lands, the Produce whereof is mostly for feeding of Cattle, Butter, Cheese, and Summer Crops of Oats; and they being supplied with Wheat, Rye, and Malt, from other Countries, especially from *St. Edmund's-bury*, and the Parts of *Suffolk* adjoining, by way of Return, for want of Navigation to and from thence, their interchangeable Supply becomes very chargeable, and, in Winter Time, by Badness of the Way, impracticable: And praying the Consideration of the House therein, That the Bill depending in the House, for making the River *Lark*, alias *Burn*, navigable, may pass into an Act.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition; and also of the Petition of the Mayor and Burgesses of the Borough and Port of *Lyn Regis* in the County of *Norfolk*, which lies on the Table; be referred to the said Committee.

Passage from  
Chancery-  
lane to  
Lincoln's Inn  
Fields.

A Petition of several Inhabitants in and about *Lincoln's Inn*, *Lincoln's Inn Fields*, *Chancery Lane*, and the Places adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Passage, called *Jackanapes Alley*, leading from the City of *London* through *Chancery Lane* to *Lincoln's Inn Fields*, and Places adjacent, is a Thoroughfare of great Resort and Use, and, by daily Experience, found to be inconvenient, and dangerous to all Persons passing that Way: And though an Act of Parliament was made in the 13th and 14th Years of the Reign of

King *Charles* the Second, to redress the same; yet, by reason no Provision was therein made to purchase Ground for another Passage, the old Passage still remains a Nuisance: But there are some old Buildings situate between the *Sun Coffee House* Passage and the Six Clerks Office, which the Proprietors are willing to sell at reasonable Rates, for making a convenient Passage, and which would afford Convenience for a double Row of Carts and Coaches to pass at once between *Chancery Lane* and the said Fields, and Places adjacent: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery Lane* into *Lincoln's Inn Fields*, and Places adjacent, as the House shall think fit.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. Harley do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Thanks of this House be given to Mr. Stephens, for the Sermon preached by him Yesterday before them at *St. Margaret's, Westminster*;

Motion for  
thanking Mr.  
Stephens for  
his Sermon.

It passed in the Negative.

Neg.  
Recommend-  
ation of  
Preachers  
before the  
House.

Resolved, That, for the future, no Person be recommended to preach before this House, who is under the Dignity of a Dean in the Church, or hath not taken his Degree of Doctor of Divinity.

Sir Rowland Gwyn reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Resolution of the said Committee, touching the Petitions relating to the Election for the Borough of *Wigan* in the County of *Lancaster*; which they had directed him to report to the House: Which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Wigan  
Election.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Petition of Sir *Alexander Rigby*, presented to the House of Commons this Session of Parliament, touching the late Election for the Borough of *Wigan* in the County of *Lancaster*, is not the same in Substance with the Petition from the said Sir *Alexander Rigby*, presented to the House of Commons last Session of Parliament, relating to the said Election.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Petition of Sir *Alexander Rigby*, presented to the House of Commons this Session of Parliament, touching the late Election for the Borough of *Wigan* in the County of *Lancaster*, is not the same in Substance with the Petition from the said Sir *Alexander Rigby*, presented to the House of Commons last Sessions of Parliament, relating to the said Election.

Ordered, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections do not proceed any further upon the said Petition touching the said Election.

Ordered, That the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *King's Bench* Prison; and for Dissolution of the said Prison; be read a Second time upon *Saturday* next, at Twelve a Clock.

King's Bench  
Prison.

Mr. Tracerse, according to Order, presented to the House Copies of several Petitions and Reports relating to Grants, made the last Year: And the Titles thereof were read.

Grants from  
the Crown.

They are in several Bundles.

Ordered, That the said Copies do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

The House, according to Order, resumed the adjourned Consideration of *Monday* last, of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and particularly to consider of the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

And

And the First Resolution of the said Committee being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made in the said Resolution, by leaving out "a further Duty to be laid upon;" and inserting, at the End thereof, "be prohibited being worn in *England*."

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That, for the encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom, all wrought Silks and Stuffs, and painted and stained Callicoes, from *East India*, be prohibited being worn in *England*.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by adding, "and Fees;"

And the Question being put, That the House do agree to the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That, for further encouraging and improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom, all Duties upon Exportation of the Woollen Manufactures be taken off.

*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the said First Resolution: And that Mr. *Petham*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, and Mr. *Mountague*, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Second Resolution: And that the same Gentlemen do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for prolonging the Time for prohibiting the Exportation of Corn, Malt, Meal, Flour, Bread, Biscuit, or Starch, be read To-morrow, after the hearing of Counsel at the Bar upon the Bill for continuing the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London*, trading to the *East Indies*, a Corporation.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That all Committees be adjourned;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Richard Farrington*, Sir *Cha. Turner*, Mr. *Gorge*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Wm. Blackett*, Sir *John Turner*, be added to the Committee, to whom it is referred to consider what Laws are expired, and near expiring, and fit to be continued.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Jovis*, 1<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

*ORDERED*, That Sir *Richard Cocks*, Lord *Cornbury*, Sir *John Packington*, Mr. *Dore*, Sir *Edward Hussey*, be added to the Committee appointed to inspect the Papers relating to the Half-pay.

A Petition of several Seamen's Widows, and others, in behalf of themselves, and others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That many of the Petitioners have, for several Years, been Supplicants to the Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, for taking off Q's and R's on Seamen's Wages; some being queried when they were put sick on Shore, and the Ship whereto they belonged sailed before

their Recovery; others, wholly disabled, are so used; and others, by unexpected Accidents when on Shore, have been left by their Ships, and come to their Friends for Relief, for which they are made Run; by which, and less Reasons, the Seamen, though many now in the Service, have been marked as Deserters, and debarred from their Pay, to the utter Ruin of themselves and Families; wherein they have hitherto been remediless: And praying, That some speedy Means may be exhibited, whereby the Q's and R's may be taken off.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, to whom other Petitions relating to Q's and R's are referred.

A Petition of the Mayor, Magistrates, Common Council, Merchants, principal Inhabitants, and others, the most considerable Traders in the Woollen Manufactures in and about the Borough of *Plimouth*, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners finding, by the Votes of this House, That Leave is given to bring in a Bill for the supporting the *Hamborough Company*, they beg Leave to represent, That Experience demonstrates, that the Woollen Manufacture Trade, when attended with Freedom, diffuseth itself through all the Markets of *Europe*; for which Reason this House hath justly discouraged Monopolies; and the Petitioners have found, whilst the Trade hath been unconfined, that many Buyers have occasioned such a current Price, and speedy Payment, as hath enabled them not only to support their own Families, and employ great numbers of the Poor, but also great . . . to increase his Majesty's Revenue: And praying, that the Trade in the Woollen Manufactures may remain unconstrained, and free from obliging the private Interest of the *Hamborough Company* only.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough Company* be read a Second Time.

A Petition of the Gentlemen, Merchants, Clothiers, Ditto. Fullers, and others, the most considerable Traders in the Woollen Manufactures in and about the Town of *Bideford*, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That this House having given Leave to bring in a Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough Company*, the Petitioners crave Leave to represent, That the Trade in the Woollen Manufacture of *England* does best diffuse itself through all the Markets of *Europe* when it is free and unconfined, as Experience has shewn; the Multiplicity of Buyers having caused speedy Payments for their Commodities, and enabled the Petitioners to maintain their own Families, and keep the Poor at Work: And praying, That the said Trade may remain unconstrained; and free from the private Interest of the said Company.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. *Clark* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to naturalize *Francis Vandertyde* was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Pierpoint*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for ascertaining the Measures for retailing Beer and Ale.

And the same was received, and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Monday Morning* next.

*Ordered*,



Sudbury  
Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Sudbury* in the County of *Suffolk*, in the room of *Samuel Keckwich* Esquire, deceased.

Deal Water-  
works.

Mr. *Brewer*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for supplying the Town of *Deal* with fresh Water.

And the same was received; and read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Warrants for  
Grants.

Mr. *Lowndes* presented to the House, according to Order, several Warrants for Grants made the last Year, being many.

Ordered, That the said Warrants do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Hopwood's  
Marriage  
Settlement.

An ingrossed Bill for rectifying a Mistake in the Marriage Settlement of *Thomas Hopwood* Gentleman on *Elizabeth* his Wife, in order to raise Portions for younger Children, and to pay Debts, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for rectifying a Mistake in the Marriage Settlement of *Thomas Hopwood* Gentleman on *Elizabeth* his Wife, in order to raise Portions for younger Children, and to pay Debts.

Ordered, That Mr. *Edward Harley* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Charters.

Mr. *Foley* acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee appointed to examine all the Proceedings relating to Charters, and what new Charters have been granted during this Reign, to move the House, That an humble Address may be made to his Majesty, That the Clerk of the Council may lay before the House an Account of all Petitions and Proceedings before the Council, relating to all Charters that have been granted, during his Majesty's Reign, to Corporations that send Members to Parliament.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, That the Clerk of the Council may lay before this House an Account of all Petitions and Proceedings before the Council, relating to all Charters that have been granted, during his Majesty's Reign, to Corporations that send Members to Parliament.

Sevenoakes  
Roads.

A Bill for repairing the Highways from *Sevenoakes* to *Tunbridge*, in the County of *Kent*, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Tonbridge  
Highway  
Rates.

Ordered, That an Account be laid before this House, of the Rates to the Highways for the Parish of *Tonbridge* for the Two last Years; and how much hath been expended in Repairing the Highways those Two Years.

Dalham, &c.  
Manor.

Ordered, That the Bill for the Sale of the Manors of *Dalham cum Dunstall*, and *Abboits* in *Denham*, in the County of *Suffolk*, be read To-morrow Morning.

Leave of  
Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Sachverell* have Leave to go into the Country for Recovery of his Health.

Avon  
Navigation.

Ordered, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the former Act, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *Salisbury*, more effectual, is committed, have Power to receive Clauses for the cleansing the Streets and Watercourses, and repairing the Bridges, in and about *Salisbury*.

Papists Pro-  
testant Heirs.

Ordered, That the ingrossed Bill for hindering Papists from disinheriting their Protestant Heirs be read the Third time upon *Monday* Morning next, in a full House.

Ordered, That the Bill for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience with the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof, be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Ordered, That the Bill for the greater Ease of Sheriffs in Execution of their Offices, and passing their Accounts, be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*, be made upon *Saturday* Morning next.

A Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons; and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen; and for other necessary Occasions; was, according to Order, read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick, is committed.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do join both the said Bills together.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause of Credit.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause of Appropriation.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hare* have Leave to go into the Country, for Recovery of his Health.

Ordered, That Mr. *Verney* have Leave to go into the Country, for Ten Days, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace.

Sir *George Rook*, from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, presented to the House their Report touching the Q's and R's; and also touching the *Blackwell-hall* Sloop: And the same are as follow; viz.

The Report about Q's and R's.

The Honourable House of Commons having been pleased to refer unto such of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, as are Members of the said House, Two Petitions, presented unto them, relating to the Q's and R's put on Seamen for deserting his Majesty's Service, in order to our considering thereof, and reporting their Case; we have, in pursuance thereof, taken the same into Consideration; and do report as follows:

As to the R's;

That it hath been the Practice of the Navy, Time out of Mind, for the Commanders of his Majesty's Ships to make Men Run, who desert the Service; and that not only the Commanders of his Majesty's Ships, but likewise all the Clerks of the Cheque, and Muster-masters of the Navy, have, in all Times past, been obliged thereto by their Instructions; by which Desertions all their Wages, as well for Ships they have served in formerly, so far as the same could be discovered, as for the Ships they left, have been ever reckoned to be forfeited to his Majesty; and the utmost Care enjoined by the Lord High Admiral, upon all Officers concerned, to exact the same, for deterring the Seamen from leaving his Majesty's Ship's,

and thereby disabling them for Service by such their Desertion.

In pursuance whereof, a strict Observance of the said Rules hath not only been exacted from the said Commanders, Clerks of the Cheque, and Muster-masters, but also from the Clerks of the Ticket Office, who have the Inspection of the Sea Books; by which great Sums of Money have been saved to his Majesty, and many Thousands of Seamen, we believe, kept in the Service.

As to the Q's:

They were established by an Order from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty of the 23d of March 1690, upon some Proposals presented to their Lordships by a Council of War held at *Chatham*, by the Flag Officers, and Commanders of his Majesty's Fleet, for obliging the Seamen, when put sick on Shore, to return into the Service when recovered; by which Orders Provision was made for the Benefit of the Seamen, as well as the Service; since which Establishment such Men as have been put sick on Shore, and did not return to their Ships upon Recovery, or to some other of his Majesty's Ships, have been esteemed as Deserters.

It is true, numerous Complaints are made by Petitions for Relief in both; and therefore several Clerks are, and have been for some Years past, constantly employed in the Navy Office, to examine and state their Cases from the Sea Books, &c.: and the Navy Board do meet Two or Three times a Week, or oftener, if Occasion do require it, to consider and answer the said Petitions: Which Business is carried on not only with all possible Dispatch, but also with as much Tenderness to the Seamen, as their Cases will admit of; it being impossible, whatever may be suggested by slanderous Tongues, for any Advantage to arise to any body by a contrary Proceeding.

All Persons are relieved, who can, by credible Testimony, make it appear, That their leaving his Majesty's Ships was not with an Intention to desert them.

In R's, such as were on Shore by Leave, and were imprest for other Ships:

Taken sick, and left behind their Ships; and when recovered either did, or offered to, return to the Service:

Left behind by the sudden sailing of their Ships; and either did, or offered to, return to the Service again in any reasonable time:

Arrested in Actions of Debt, and, by that means, left behind their Ships, &c.

In Q's, such as, after Recovery, entered themselves on board any of his Majesty's Ship's:

Died in sick Quarters, Hospitals, or Hospital Ships:

Have been wounded or hurt, and received Pensions or Smart-money for the same:

Continued Six Months or upwards in sick Quarters, or Hospitals, or have been discharged thence incurable:

The Commanders have discharged by Ticket, Sick, Lame, Blind, Infirm, or otherwise unfit for his Majesty's Service:

Have been imprest from sick Quarters before recovered; and any other Case shewing their Absence to be involuntary, and to happen from some extraordinary Occasion.

A general Order for taking off all Q's and R's, at once, we therefore take to be the Prayer of these Petitions; and we must confess that will ease the Navy Office of the most clamorous and troublesome Business that belongs to it: But how far the Service of the King and Kingdom would be affected thereby, as to the Discipline of the Navy, and Increase of the Debt, is what is to be considered.

Indeed, as to the Discipline, by an Act of Parliament of the 13th of King *Charles* the II<sup>d</sup>, intituled, An Act for the Establishing Articles and Orders for the Regulating, and better Governing, his Majesty's Navies, Ships of War, and Forces by Sea, Article the 17th, all Sea Captains, Officers, or Mariners, that shall desert the Service, or their Employment in the Ships, or shall run away, or entice any others so to do, are to be punished with Death; so that, by putting the said Act in Execution,

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the Discipline of the Navy may be supported: But, as Seamen's the Increase of the Debts by such a general Order, Arrears. the Sea Books are so numerous and voluminous, that no certain Account can be given thereof; but, by the Numbers of Q's and R's appearing in the said Books, the Wages of the said Men must needs amount to a very great Sum.

Besides the general Exclamation against Q's and R's, we find One particular Rule complained of as a Hardship; and that is, The Forfeiture of Wages of former, as well as the last Ships, they belonged to: But this, as is already said, is a Custom as ancient as R's themselves; and the Columns in the Sea Books, of whence they came, and whither discharged, it is presumed, were inserted for enabling the Clerks of the Ticket Office to trace Men's Names from Ship to Ship, in order to make the said Savings to his Majesty; and the said Practice being so ancient, none can be unacquainted with it, at least none that credit the Seamen, or deal in Tickets, nor consequently surprised in any Concerns with them.

And, as the Seamen's Tickets were never esteemed as the King's Bonds, or Bills of Exchange, as some Men allege, or any more than Certificates from the Commanders and Officers of the Ships, of the times of their Service, so they were always subject to the Casualties before mentioned; and it is a Question, as we are informed, by the Solicitor to the Offices of the Admiralty and Navy, among the Lawyers, Whether the Assignments of them are good in Law.

Yet it cannot be denied, but if the ancient Method of the Navy could have been observed in the late War, of paying off the great Ships every Year, and the small ones at the End of every Voyage, or when they came in for any considerable Reparation, and of clearing their Books at their Payments, which, for want of Money, could not be done; and leaving no Recalls; and if the turning over Men so frequently could have been avoided, and the Practice of lending of Men, which is much worse, had not been introduced; there would not have been such Numbers of Seamen under these Circumstances.

Nevertheless, if Men will leave the Service when they know they are to forfeit their Wages for former Ships, as well as for the Ships they desert, it is to be doubted, the Wages of the last will not keep them; especially when they can benefit themselves in Merchants Service, as will always be the Case in time of War; and, when the Wages of One Ship exceeds the Wages of Two, or Three, or more, there is no Difference.

Having thus set down what has been, and is, the Practice of the Navy, with relation to Q's and R's, it is humbly submitted to the Wisdom and Consideration of this Honourable House.

The said Report about the *Blackwell-hall* Sloop.

*Blackwell-hall* Sloop.

The Honourable House of Commons having referred, unto such of the Commissioners of the Admiralty as are Members of the House, a Petition of the Owners of the *Blackwell-hall* Sloop, commanded by Mr. *John Edwards*, complaining, That the said Sloop was set forth and manned for preventing the Exportation of Wool; but that she is appointed for other Service, and her Men reduced; we have considered thereof, and do report the Fact to be as follows; viz.

That, on the First of June 1699, his Majesty's Pleasure was signified to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, by Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, That the aforesaid Sloop, and her Master, should be employed at the Charge of the Navy, in Consideration of the Service her said Master had done, in discovering the Enemies of the Government.

Pursuant whereunto, the Navy Board were directed to man the aforesaid Sloop with Thirty Men, and to victual her for Three Months, in order to her being employed on the Coast of *Ireland*, as One of the Vessels appointed by Act of Parliament to prevent the Exportation of Wool.

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But Mr. *Edwards* came to the Board, and acquainted them, That his Vessel was not fit to cruise on that Coast.

Whereupon, the Board did resolve to employ her as a Tender on the Fleet, in regard Mr. *Edwards* could not be gratified in her cruising on the Coast of *Sussex*; those Vessels being, by Act of Parliament, appointed and employed by the Commissioners of the Customs; and therefore Orders were given for reducing her Men to the Number of Ten: But upon Mr. *Edwards's* Representation, That he should be exposed to the Danger of the *French* Coasters, it was, in August last, determined, that she should have Twelve Men.

And the 13th of September following, Mr. *Edwards* was directed to repair with her to the *Doxens*, and follow Sir *Cloudsly Shovell's* Orders.

But both Sir *Cloudsly Shovell* and Captain *Fairborne*, who commanded in Chief at *Spithead*, have since represented the aforesaid Sloop to be an unserviceable Vessel.

Which being the Case, and the said Sloop notwithstanding being still continued in Pay, it is humbly submitted to the Consideration of this Honourable House.

*Ordered*, That the said Report touching Q's and R's be read, and taken into Consideration, upon this Day Sevensnight.

*Ordered*, That the said Report touching the *Blackwell-hall* Sloop do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Grants from  
the Crown.

*Ordered*, That the Trustees for the Fee-farm Rents do lay before this House an Account of all the Fee-farm Rents, Quit-rents, and Lease-rents, that have been granted since his Majesty's Accession to the Crown; with the Contracts themselves, and the Considerations upon which they were granted.

Old East  
India Com-  
pany.

Then the Counsel for and against the Bill for continuing the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London*, trading to the *East Indies*, a Corporation, were called in:

And the Bill was, according to Order, read the Second time:

And the Petition against the Bill was also read:

And the Counsel on both Sides were heard at the Bar.

And then they withdrew.

And Mr. Speaker opened the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

Exporting  
Corn, &c.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for prolonging the Time for prohibiting the Exportation of Corn, Malt, Meal, Flour, Bread, Biscuit, or Starch, be read To-morrow at Twelve a Clock.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Veneris, 2° die Februarii;*

11° *Gulielmi Tertii.*

PRAYERS.

*PHILIP James de la Combe de Vaigne*, and *Michael Inses*, took the Oaths appointed, in order to their Naturalization.

Rye  
Harbour.

A Petition of the Mayor and Jurats of the Town and Port of *Hastings*, in *Sussex*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, till of late Years, the Port of *Rye* was a very good Harbour, not only for his

Majesty's Ships, and Merchant Ships, in time of War, but from the Danger of the Seas, in Stress of Weather, in the time of Peace; and is the only Harbour on that Coast for several Leagues; but the same is now so choaked up, that no Vessel of any Burden dare venture in without Danger of being lost: And praying, That some Course may be taken for cleansing the said Harbour; which will be of great Benefit to the Shipping and Trade of this Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Town of *Rye* is referred.

A Petition of Colonel *Tarence Mograth* was presented Half-pay. to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, by Order of the Lord *Galloway*, who was Envoy and General of his Majesty's Forces in the Duke of *Savoy's* Service, raised a Battalion at his own Charges, which he commanded, and quitted, when the said Duke left the Confederacy, and came with the Duke's Letters of Recommendation to his Majesty, then in *Flanders*, where the Petitioner served as a Volunteer, to his great Expence: And praying, That he may be added to the List of the Officers in Half-pay, in Consideration of his said Service and Expence.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Papers relating to Half-pay are referred.

A Petition of the Goldsmiths, and others employed in the Silver Manufacture, within the several Boroughs and Market Towns of *Honiton*, *Chard*, and *Crewkerne*, within the Counties of *Devon* and *Somerset*, and other adjacent Places, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are rendered incapable of exercising their Trades, by reason of a Clause in a late Act of Parliament, requiring the Mark *Britannia* to be set on their Plate, which by Law they are not able to set or procure, without an Expence beyond what they can make by Sale thereof: And praying, That the said Clause may be repealed. Assaying of Plate.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Goldsmiths of *Exeter* is referred.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Petition of *Catharine Taylor*, the late Widow of *William Rutter*, who was hanged by the *East India* Company at *St. Helena*, in behalf of herself, and Four of her Children, be now read; Taylor's Petition.

It passed in the Negative.

A Bill for the Sale of the Manors of *Dalham cum Dunstall*, and *Abbotts*, in *Denham*, in the County of *Suffolk*, was read the First time. Dalham, &c. Manors.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

A Petition of *Paul Margaret*, late Surgeon to his Majesty's Royal Regiment of Horse, commanded by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Oxford*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was reduced, with the rest of the Surgeons in the Army, pursuant to his Majesty's Orders of the 1st of August 1698, when the Petitioner was eldest Surgeon in the eldest *English* Regiment, and had served 20 Years; and though Surgeons, and Surgeons Mates, were allowed to the Regiments of Foot contained in the Proclamation for ascertaining the 7,000 Men: That the Petitioner established the Hospital at *Namur*, in the First Campaign in *Flanders*; and in *Ireland* so signalized himself, That the Earl of *Athlone* ordered him a Gratuity for taking a Captain, Lieutenant, and Quarter-master, Prisoners; but, by his constant Attendance in the Service, he has lost his Acquaintance and Practice; and his Family is driven to great Streights, the Petitioner being the only Surgeon that has no Allowance: And praying, That in Consi- Half-pay.

deration of his long and faithful Services, he may be inserted into the List of Officers who are to have Half-pay.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Petition be rejected;

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie upon the Table.

Kingston upon Hull Poor.

A Petition of the Corporation of *Trinity-house*, in *Kingston upon Hull*, on the behalf of the poor, decayed, and distressed Seamen, their Widows and Children, within the Town of *Hull*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they are incorporated by several Grants; have several Rents and Revenues; and their Poor are very much increased since the War: That by an Act passed in the 9th and 10th Years of his Majesty's Reign, for erecting Work-houses in the said Town, for employing and maintaining the Poor, there are several Clauses, which tend to the Prejudice of the said Corporation; and particularly one, which enacts, That all future Charities, to be given or disposed to the Use of the said Town, or any Parish, Place, or Precinct, within the same, shall be enjoyed by the new Corporation; which Clause will totally prevent any seafaring Man, or other Person, to bequeath any Charity to *Trinity-house*: And praying, That a Clause may be brought in to explain so much of the said Act as relates to the Petitioners; and that they may be in the same Condition as before the making of the said Act.

Ordered, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants, and sending them whither by Law they ought to be sent, is committed, have Power to receive a Clause for explaining the said Act, according to the said Petition.

Selling Leather.

A Petition of the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Mystery of Cordwainers, of the City of *London*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Remedies provided by an Act of the 1st of King *James the First*, to prevent the selling of bad Leather privately, are not sufficient; whereby the Subject is greatly defrauded: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for making Provision against the Mischief by selling bad Leather, and inartificial working thereof.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

Siderfin's Estate.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Manor of *Exton*, and other Lands, in the County of *Somerset*, late the Estate of *Tho. Siderfin* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold, for Payment of Debts, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Martha Ship.

Sir *Edward Stradling* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Ship *Martha* of *Margam* to trade as a free Ship was committed, That they had examined the same; and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be ingrossed.

Vantertijd's Nat.

An ingrossed Bill for naturalizing *Francis Vantertijd* was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for naturalizing *Francis Vantertijd*, and *Agnena Vandermersch*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Clark* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Members summoned.

Ordered, That the Serjeant do go, with the Mace, into *Westminster-hall*, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House.

And he went accordingly.

And, being returned;

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A Bill for prolonging the Time for prohibiting the Exportation of Corn, Malt, Meal, Flour, Bread, Biscuit, or Starch, was, according to Order, read the First time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be read a Second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir John Bolles, } 141.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Brotherton: } 199.

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the Bill be rejected.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Ordered, That the Commissioners of the Navy do lay before this House an Account of the Deductions of Poundage taken by the Paymasters of the Navy for the Slop Cloaths, Dead Men's Cloaths, Tobacco, Chest at *Chatham*, Chaplain, and Surgeon, since the 13th Day of February 1688.

Ordered, That the Commissioners of the Navy do lay before this House an Account of the Deductions of Poundage taken by the Paymasters of the Navy for Slop Cloaths, Dead Men's Cloaths, Tobacco, Chest at *Chatham*, Chaplain, and Surgeon, since Poundage was taken from the Treasurer of the Navy, and a Salary settled, in lieu thereof.

Resolved, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and particularly to consider of the Encouraging and Improving of the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday Morning next, after the Committee of the whole House upon the Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace, consider of the Grants made since the Settling of the Civil List upon his Majesty.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Saturday Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill touching free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Sabbati, 3° die Februarii;

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAY RS.

*ELEONORA Haskinstiles* took the Oaths appointed, in order to her Naturalization.

A Petition of *James Jeffes* Esquire, and *Elizabeth* his Wife, and *Lucy* and *Margaret Jeffes*, Infants, Children of the said *James Jeffes*, and the Creditors of the said *James Jeffes*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, on the Intermarriage of the Petitioners, a Settlement of Lands in *Essex* was made on the said *Eliz.* for her Jointure; and after, to raise Portions for



for the Petitioners *Lucy* and *Margaret*, in case of Failure of Issue Male; and, *James Jeffes* being indebted to several Persons, they have agreed to accept the said Lands during the Lives of the Petitioners *James* and *Eliz.* so that the Interest of 2,000*l.* being the Portion of the said *Eliz.* but unpaid, which is liable to the said Debts, will be a Maintenance to the Petitioners: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Petitioners to sell the said Lands, to pay Debts; and to make some Provision for the Infants, the Trustees of the Marriage Settlement consenting thereto.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Foley* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

**Fleet Prison.** A Petition of *John Clements* Gentleman was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, for himself and others, is a Mortgagee of the Office of Warden of the *Fleet* Prison, for 2,299*l.* principal Money; and there being a Bill in the House for Dissolution of the *Fleet* Prison, whereby the Office is first to cease, and yet afterwards be sold, the Petitioner conceives, he is thereby likely to be deprived of his Security: That there is a Bill also depending in the House to dissolve the *King's Bench*; wherein there is a Clause, that seems to imply, that, after Sale of the *Oxfordshire* Estate therein mentioned, the Publick shall make good to the Mortgagee of the *King's Bench*, where the said Estate shall fall short of paying; which, as is alleged, will amount to above Eleven thousand Pounds: And praying, That the Creditors of the *Fleet* Prison may be as amply provided for, as those of the *King's Bench*; and that he may be heard by Counsel, before the Bill for the Dissolution of the *Fleet* Prison do pass.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

**Hamborough Company.** A Petition of the Traders in the Woollen Manufacture, in and about the Town, and County of the Town, of *Nottingham*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the House having given Leave to bring in a Bill for the better encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, the Petitioners humbly acquaint the House, that Experience shews the Trade in the Woollen Manufacture most cheerfully extends itself through all the Markets of *Europe*, when left to its full Freedom; and that the many Buyers have occasioned such a current Price and Payment, as hath enabled the Petitioners to support their own Families, and employ great Numbers of the Poor: And praying, That the said Trade may remain free, and not restrained to the *Hamborough* Company only.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

**Ditto.** A Petition of divers Gentlemen, Merchants, Clothiers, Clothworkers, and others, in *Leeds*, and several Towns adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Exportation of our Woollen Manufactures was first attempted, and afterwards successfully carried on, by the Company of Merchants of *England*; but of late their Privileges have been invaded by Foreigners, upon whom a great Part of the Woollen Trade is fallen, as to *Holland*; and will totally be carried into foreign Parts, where it is already set up, unless some speedy Care be taken therein: And praying, That the said Company may be established and protected in their Privileges to *Germany*, as the only Means to prevent the said Mischiefs.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time.

**Hutchinson's Regimental Claims.** A Petition of Captain *John Hutchinson*, who served in the late Regiment commanded by Colonel *Luke Lillingston*, and since in Colonel *Brudenell's* Regiment, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Colo-

nel *Lillingston* doth unjustly detain from him the Accounts of his Company, and also considerable Sums of Money, which he hath received; and yet the Petitioner hath, for about a Year, lain under Suspension from Half-pay, by a few General Officers at the Horse Guards, because he refused to sign a Discharge in full to Mr. *John Thurston*, Agent to Colonel *Lillingston*, upon an Account which is but for Part of the Time he was Agent: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to the Marquis of *Hartington*, Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Jenkins*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Rayner*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Battiscombe*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Campion*, Mr. *Lewis*, Mr. *Wollaston*, Mr. *Gerrard*, Sir *Robert Eden*, Sir *John Garret*, Mr. *Swift*, Major General *Erle*, Sir *Tho. Grosvenor*, Sir *John Mordant*, Mr. *Morgan*, Mr. *Blake*, Sir *Tho. Willoughby*, Mr. *Weeks*, Mr. *Eyres*, Mr. *Hughes*, Lord *Hen. Cavendish*: And they are to meet at Four a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Petition of *Joseph Palacer*, and others, on behalf Coal Labourers. of themselves, and several Hundreds of Coal Labourers on the River of *Thames*, and Inhabitants within the weekly Bills of Mortality, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are much abused in delivering Sea Coal Ships, for want of Order; but can have no Regulation, but by the Assistance of this House; and, were the Petitioners under some good Rules, as the Watermen, Carmen, Porters, and Coachmen, are, it would much conduce to the Benefit of his Majesty's Subjects in the Coal Trade, and to the Relief of the Petitioners: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill to establish them a Fellowship, under such Government and Rules as shall be thought meet.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Colonel *Trelawney* have Leave to go Leave of Absence. into the Country, for Recovery of his Health.

*Ordered*, That the Lord Marquis of *Hartington* have Leave to go into the Country, for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions.

A Bill for preventing of frivolous and vexatious Suits Vexatious Suits in Wales. in the Principality of *Wales*, and the Counties Palatine, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Robert Eden*, Sir *Henry Pickering*, Mr. *Cook*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Captain *Clayton*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Fra. Blake*, Mr. *Molyneux*, Colonel *Kirby*, Mr. *York*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Bethell*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Crane*, Mr. *Stringer*, Sir *Edw. Stradling*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Cha. Windham*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Blaake*; and all the Members that serve for *Wales*, and the Counties Palatine: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Bill for continuing the Act for the better ascertaining the Tythes of Hemp and Flax was read a Second time. Tythes of Hemp and Flax.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *John Mordant*, Sir *Edward Hussey*, Capt. *Clayton*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Cook*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Manaton*, Sir *Robert Eden*, Mr. *Dyott*, Mr. *Hamond*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *Robert Davies*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Mr. *Dryden*, Sir *John Packington*, Sir *Hen. Pickering*, Mr. *Hancock*, Sir *Jacob Astley*, Mr. *Proby*,

*Proby*, Mr. *Whitchcot*, Mr. *Blaake*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*; and all for the County of *Lincoln*: And all that come are to have Voices: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Maidwell's  
proposed  
Academy.

A Petition of *Lewis Maidwell* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner hath, for the Honour and Service of the Nation, proposed the beneficial Design of a publick Academy to most Members of this House, to their good Liking; the Petitioner proffering to be a great Benefactor thereto; and is ready to declare Ways for its Support, without any publick Charge or Prejudice; whereby always 40 Scholars, Sons of Gentlemen, are to have Lodgings and Commons *gratis* for Three Years, and a free Education in Languages, Arts, and Exercises; and also annual Pensions for Three Years after they have left the said Academy: And praying, That the House will be pleased to take his said Proposals into Consideration.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do hear the Petitioner; and report his Proposals to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *John Packington*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *William Glynn*, Sir *Tho. Grosvenor*, Mr. *Hamond*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Dyott*, Mr. *Pitfeild*, Mr. *Boyle*, Sir *Row. Gwyn*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Edward Hussey*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Brewer*, Sir *Fra. Blake*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Blake*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Sir *Chr. Musgrove*, Mr. *Clark*, Sir *Roger Bradshaw*, Mr. *Nicholas*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Onslow*, Mr. *Lee*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Expiring  
Laws.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to examine what Laws are expired, or near expiring, and fit to be continued; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Thursby*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Sir *Ja. Oxenden*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Row. Gwyn*, Mr. *Clark*, Sir *Fra. Blake*, Mr. *Blaake*, Mr. *Wilkins*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Tho. Willoughby*, Mr. *York*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Ease of  
Sheriffs.

A Bill for the greater Ease of Sheriffs in the Execution of their Offices, and passing their Accounts, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Dyot*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Mitchell*, Mr. *Burrard*, Mr. *Pitfeild*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Fleming*, Mr. *Windham*, Sir *Godf. Copley*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *England*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Hamond*, Sir *Row. Gwyn*, Mr. *Hancock*, Sir *Geo. Rook*, Sir *John Fagg*, Mr. *Gurdon*, Sir *Tho. Cook*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Leukner*, Sir *John Cope*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Mountague*: And all that come are to have Voices: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Expiring  
Laws.

Ordered, That the Committee, to whom it is referred to examine what Laws are expired, and near expiring do consider of the Law which enjoins Carriers to go with double Shafts; and how far it may be explained, in regard the same is found to be impracticable.

Bishops  
Castle  
Election.

Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the Borough of *Bishops Castle*, in the County of *Salop*; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the

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Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the Petition of Sir *Gilbert Gerard* Baronet, complaining of an undue Election and Return of Sir *William Brownlow* Baronet, to serve for the Borough of *Bishops Castle*, in the County of *Salop*;

It was agreed, That the Bailiff, and all the Burgesses inhabiting within the Borough, have Right to elect Members to serve in Parliament for the said Borough.

Upon the Poll, there was, with the Bailiff,

For the Sitting Member - - - 37.

For the Petitioner - - - 36.

But the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That they should take off Three from the Sitting Member's Poll; and add Three to the Petitioner's Poll, who had a Right to vote; and were rejected.

And also should prove Bribery on the Sitting Member's Side.

The Three Votes that were impeached by the Petitioner's Counsel were,

*William James*,  
*Tho. Waters*, and  
*Samuel James*.

The Objection to *William James* was, That he was an Out-Burgess.

It appeared, That the Oath to an In-Burgess and Out-Burgess was the same: And, if an Out-Burgess came to live within the Borough, he did not take a new Oath; but the In-Burgess, and the Out-Burgess, being entered upon several Lists, such Person, coming to live within the Borough, is entered upon the List with the In-Burgess.

Mr. *David Morris*, Mr. *Tho. Bright*, Mr. *Morris Pugh* senior, Mr. *Wm. Merrick*, said, That *William James* lived at *Mainton*, Two Miles off *Bishops Castle*, about the time of the Election; and only came to Town, as a Journeyman Shoemaker, to work; and went Home on *Saturday* Nights; and was not entered among the Burgesses till after the Election, though occasionally he did lie in *Bishops Castle* sometimes; and therefore they looked on him as an Out-Burgess: And that, the Day before the Election, the Mayor and others met to adjust the Right of the Electors; and it was then agreed, that *William James* had no Vote, being a Country-Burgess.

*William Price*: That *Thomas Waters* went Home every *Saturday* Night to *Colebeck*, about Half a Mile off *Bishops Castle*; but had worked for some Years at *Bishops Castle*.

*Tho. Bright* said, That *Samuel James* lives at *Colebeck*, and went only to *Bishops Castle* a Month before the Election; and, since the Election, is returned to *Colebeck* again; but he was not objected to before the Election.

The Three the Petitioner would add to his Poll were,  
*Richard Bright*,  
*John Stockin*,  
*Sam. Seyes*.

By Mr. *William Bright* it was proved, They all offered their Votes for the Petitioner.

Mr. *Morris Pugh* junior, Mr. *David Morris*, and Mr. *Pugh* senior, said, That *Richard Bright*'s Residence was with his Brother at *Bishops Castle*: And that he had voted at other Elections, particularly at Mr. *Oaklye*'s; and Mr. *Moore*'s, upon Mr. *Oaklye*'s Decease; though it was acknowledged that he went out of Town a little time, about Two Months before the Election.

That *John Stockin* was a Burgess, and did live in Town before the Election; and had not been out of Town a Month in Seven or Eight Years.

That *Sam. Seyes* is a Burgess, and had been an Inhabitant in the Borough Six Weeks before the Election; and has continued there ever since: And that all these Three had voted at former Elections, and were now refused: And that no Proclamation was made for Persons to come in and poll before the Poll was closed.

As to the Bribery; the Petitioner's Counsel called several Witnesses.

*Nath. Farmer* said, The Countess of *Macclesfield* bestowed

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bestowed 200 *l.* upon the Town of *Bishops Castle*, in regard that she was come to her Estate: And that there were at first Five Trustees for the managing of the said Money; but, afterwards, it was fixed in Mr. *Walter Waring*: And that he did see the Money at *Sam. Longirle's* House: That they did expect, that the said 200 *l.* should be divided among the Burgesses; but they were fain to borrow it by small Sums of about 5 *l.* and give Notes for it: And, accordingly, after the Election, he went to Mr. *Waring* for some Money; who sent him to Mr. *Browne*, an Attorney in *Bishops Castle*, who let him have 5 *l.* 5 *s.*; which they said was Part of the Countess of *Macclesfield's* Money: And that he gave a Note for it; and he believed *Browne* solicited Votes for Sir *William Brownlowe*: And that others, particularly *James* and *Walters*, did receive 20 *s.* apiece; that *Walter Corrick* and *Richard Norton* had 40 or 50 *s.* apiece; and *John Wootton* had some Money, which he supposed they gave Notes for: That this Money was lent after the Election; but these Persons who received it voted for Sir *William Brownlowe*: But they said, *Farmer* could not say, That Sir *William Brownlowe* knew of the disposing of the said Money: That there was a Meeting at *Corrick's* House; where it was agreed, That the Money should be lodged in Mr. *Waring's* Hands, and not be disposed of without the Consent of the major Part of the Burgesses.

*David Hoggins* said, That, upon the Election-day in the Morning, the Bailiff sent for him, and desired his Vote; which he excused, as being before engaged for Sir *Gilbert Gerard* and Mr. *Mason*: And that, afterwards, the Bailiff called for him again; and told him, That he had numbered the Votes; and that *Hoggins's* Vote stood hard upon them; and offered him Gold and Silver, and what he would; and to go into his Shop, and take a Suit of Cloaths, if he would vote for Sir *William Brownlowe*:

That *Jeremy Brown*, a Month before the Election, called him to his House, and gave him 30 *s.*; and my Lady *Mason* gave him 5 *s.* to vote for Sir *William Brownlowe*; and Mr. *Brown* afterwards gave him 3 *l.* 15 *s.* upon the same Condition; and threatened, if he did not, to do him a Diskindness: The said *Hoggins* said, He received the Money, and voted for Sir *Gilbert Gerard* and Mr. *Mason*: That he told Mr. *Mason*, He could have 5 *l.* to vote for Sir *William Brownlowe*: And that Mr. *Mason* told him, if he would have it, he might take it; for He would not give him a Farthing.

*Robert Minton* said, He received for his Father, of Mr. *Walter Waring*, 50 *s.* and that his Father voted for Sir *William Brownlowe* and Sir *Gilbert Gerrard*: That he asked the Bailiff, why he made such a Return; and he said, He had nothing but what his Wife and Children had.

*Stephen Lloyd* said, That he was sent for by the Lady *Mason*, who asked him, if he was a Burgess? And the said *Lloyd* telling her he was; the Lady *Mason* told him, That there was 200 *l.* to be distributed among them that voted for Sir *William Brownlowe*; and that she should be kind to him besides: That *Richard Woollaston* threatened him, That he should be sued upon a Bond he had given to *John Beament*, if he would not vote for Sir *William Brownlowe*.

*Morris Bowen* said, That there was 200 *l.* to be distributed; and that if he would vote for Sir *William Brownlowe*, he should have 30 or 40 *s.* of it.

That *William Colebach* said, He had Money of Mr. *Browne* for his Vote for Sir *William Brownlowe*.

That *Palmer* said, He had 5 *l.* and his Part came to 5 *l.* 8 *s.* 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.*; and he would not abate the 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.*

The Counsel for the Sitting Member insisted, That they would justify their own Votes, and the Refusal of the Three that would have voted for the Petitioner.

That the Mayor gave but one Voice.

That the 200 *l.* spoken of, as given by the Lady *Mason*, was only a Charity given to the Town, in Consideration of her being restored to her Estate; and before the Dissolution of the last Parliament: And that they would

prove plain Bribery on the Petitioner: And called their Witnesses.

*Edward Minton* said, That, about a Month before the Election, Mr. *David Morris*, who solicited Votes for Sir *Gilbert Gerard*, gave him 5 *s.* to be for Sir *Gilbert Gerard*: And that, about a Fortnight before the Election, he was sent for to Mr. *Pugh's* House; and Sir *Gilbert Gerard* and Mr. *Mason* were there; and they asked him for his Vote: And Mr. *Mason* said, That, if he would give Sir *Gilbert Gerard* his Vote, he would give him 10 *l.* and order his Father's Steward to pay the Money; and gave him 5 *s.* to drink Sir *Gilbert Gerard's* Health; and told him, If it was not enough, he would give him 10 *l.* afterwards; and *Pugh* said, That if he was not satisfied with a Promise, he would give him a Bond for it: That *Pugh* afterwards, the Night before the Election, promised him and another 5 *l.* apiece: That *Wilson* came for them, and told them, they should have 5 *l.* apiece, if they would swear to be true to them; upon which they made them Half a Promise: And *David Morris* leaped, and said, If they had not discovered themselves so soon, he would have given 100 *l.* for Two Voices that Night:

That, on Sunday before the Election, he was sent for to the Earl of *Macclesfield* at *Morris's* House, and brought into the Earl's Chamber; who asked him, What Trade he was of? And what would set him up? Who answered, That he was a Shoemaker; and 40 *l.* would set him up: And thereupon the said Earl promised him, upon his Honour, He should have it: That my Lord *Macclesfield* also bid him go down to his Friend *Robert Wollaston*, and ask him, what he would have? Which he did: And that *Wollaston* demanded 30 *l.*; which he acquainted my Lord with: And that my Lord promised he should have it:

That my Lord also, in the Stables of the *New Club*, bid him come to him after the Election; and promised him, he should be kindly rewarded; and bid him speak to others by One at a time:

That he had 5 *s.* of Mr. *Morris*, 2 *s.* of his Wife, and 5 *s.* of Mr. *Mason*: That he did not promise my Lord his Vote; but said he would consider of it: And that he voted for Sir *William Brownlowe* and Mr. *Walcot*.

*Robert Wollaston* said, That *Jonathan Wilson*, about a Week before the Election, promised him 20 *l.* to vote for Sir *Gilbert Gerard* and Mr. *Mason*; but he was indifferent, because he had promised before:

That Mr. *David Morris* took him down to the Hall, and said, if he would vote for Sir *Gilbert Gerard* and Mr. *Mason*, it would be the Lord knows what in his Way; and Sir *Gilbert Gerard* should procure him an Excise-man's Place: And the said *Morris* offered him 20 *l.* or better; but he acknowledged, that he had none of it:

That, on Monday before the Election, Mr. *Pugh* sent for him from the Bowling Green, and offered him a Bond of 5 *l.* for his Vote; and made the same Offer to *Minton*:

That, when he was at *Wilson's* House, Sir *Gilbert Gerard* came in; and, being told, That the said *Robert Wollaston* was promised 20 *l.* he said to the said *Wollaston*, It should not be 20 *l.* nor twice 20 *l.*; but he would be his Friend as long as he lived:

That they would have sworn him to be true to Sir *Gilbert Gerard* and Mr. *Mason*; but he ran out of the House:

That *David Morris* offered him the Coat off his Back, and said, What he did was for the Good of his Children; for that the Earl would help his Son to 100 *l.* a Year:

That he did tell *Minton* at *Morris's* House, when he came for him to go up to the Earl of *Macclesfield's*, That he would have 30 Guineas for his Vote.

And he said, That *Wilson*, *Minton*, and *Pugh*, made all the Interest they could for Sir *Gilbert Gerard*.

*Walter Corrick* said, That, the Night before the Election, Sir *Gilbert Gerard* and Mr. *Mason* came to the House where he was; and asked him for his Vote: And that Mr. *Mason* said, The Election depended upon his Vote;

Vote; and that he should have what he would, if he would vote for Sir *Gilbert*:

That he told Mr. *Mason*, If he would give him his Hat full of Gold, he would not give them his Vote; Whereupon Mr. *Mason* told him, If he would go to *Morris's* House, his Wife should lock him up in a Room.

That *Jonathan Wilson* said, He had 15 Guineas in his House, which he would divide between him, *Wollaston*, and *Minton*.

That *Morris* and *Wilson* appeared for Sir *Gilbert Gerard*.

He acknowledged, That there was Money at Mr. *Waring's* House for the Use of the Town: And that he did borrow 5*l.*; and gave a Bill for it.

*Isaiah Hoggins* said, That Captain *Phillips* fetched him to my Lord *Macclesfield*; who asked him, If he had promised his Vote? And he told my Lord, He had; to Sir *William Brownlowe* and Mr. *Mason*: That my Lord thereupon told him, He must have it for Sir *Gilbert Gerard*; and, there being a Bason upon the Table, my Lord put Money into it; and bid the said *Hoggins* take what he would; and, accordingly, he did take 5*s.*: And my Lord told the said *Hoggins*, He should have 20 Guineas the next Morning: However *Hoggins* said, He denied my Lord his Vote for the said Sir *Gilbert Gerard*, and did vote for Sir *William Brownlowe* and Mr. *Mason*.

The said *Hoggins* acknowledged, That he received of Mr. *Browne* 20, 30, and 10*s.* and gave a Bill for it.

*Samuel James* said, That he was hired 3 or 4 times: That Mrs. *Mason* of *Rockley Hall* gave him Half a Crown; and promised him the best brindle Cow about the House:

That at the *New Club* he had 12*d.* of *Samuel Walters's* Wife; that *David Morris* gave him 1*s.* and promised him a Suit of Cloaths and Money in Three Pockets; and *Morris's* Wife promised him the same, or 5*l.*

He acknowledged he had Money of *Browne* by 12*d.* a time, which he gave a Bill for to repay; but he voted for Sir *William Brownlowe* and Mr. *Walcott*.

Mr. *Wollaston*, of *Welsh Poole*, said, He was asked to vote for Sir *Gilbert Gerard* by my Lord *Macclesfield*; but, he declaring himself to be engaged, my Lord replied, He loved a Man that was true to his Trust. He produced a Letter from Mr. *Mason*, dated the 31 July 1697, whereby Mr. *Mason* acquaints him, That my Lord *Macclesfield* had promised him, He should succeed in the Muster-master's Post; but there were not any Words in it that gave it any Relation to the Election:

That *David Hoggins* was indicted Three times for Horse-stealing; but could not tell what Result there was then of those Indictments: And that *Farmer* was a Man of ill Repute.

*Barnaby Bowen* said, *Samuel Waters* and *David Morris* promised him, That if he would vote for Sir *Gilbert Gerard*, he should be forgiven a Debt of 7*l.* that he owed to *Jeremy Brown*; and his Landlord *Mason* should forgive him a Debt of 4 or 5*l.* he owed for Rent: And *Waters's* Wife said, That if the said *Bowen* would not give Sir *Gilbert* his Vote, my Lord *Macclesfield* would bring a Troop of Horse, and eat up the Town.

*Richard Norton* said, That, about a Week before the Election, *Jonathan Wilson* sent his Daughter to his House to speak with him; and accordingly he went to the said *Wilson*, who told him, That, if he did not procure his Son to vote for Sir *Gilbert Gerard*, it would go hard with him: That, if he did, my Lord would take Ten young Men out of *Bishops Castle*, and prefer them to Places, and his Son should be one; and, if Sir *Gilbert* lost it, the Town would be undone.

*William Seys* said, That, about a Fortnight before the Election, he was sent for to Mr. *Morris's* House; where Mr. *Mason* came to him, and asked him his Voice for Sir *Gilbert Gerard*; and shewed him Five Guineas; and told him he should have Satisfaction; and said, He would be his Friend as long as he lived.

*William Wootton* said, He was Tenant to *Morris Pugh* junior, who solicited Votes for Sir *Gilbert*: And that,

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a few Days before the Election, he was promised his House Rent-free for Three Years, or Ten Pounds, if he would vote for Sir *Gilbert*; but he voted for Sir *William Brownlowe* and Mr. *Mason*. Bishops Castle Election.

*Thomas Bright* said, That *David Morris* made an Interest for Sir *Gilbert Gerard*: And that, a few Days before the Election, he was sent for to the said *David Morris*; who asked him his Vote for Sir *Gilbert Gerard*; and said, If he did not do it, the Town will be ruined, and a Troop of Horse quartered upon it; and that, if he did vote for Sir *Gilbert Gerard*, he should have 10*l.* and all his Children maintained.

*William Corick* said, That Mr. *Charles Mason* and Sir *Gilbert Gerard*, Two Days before the Election, met him in the Street, and asked him for his Vote: That he promised his Vote for Mr. *Mason*: And then they asked him for his Vote for Sir *Gilbert Gerard*; and said, That, if he would come to *London*, they would get him a Place.

He acknowledged, that he had Money of *Browne*, which he was to repay again.

As to the 200*l.* given by the Lady *Mason*, the Sitting Member's Counsel called

*Richard Jeffries*: Who said, The 200*l.* given by the Lady *Mason*, was brought down Two or Three Months before the Election; and was given for the Pavement of the Streets, and other Uses of the Town: And that, the Election coming on, the Lady *Mason* desired it might be put into the Hands of Trustees, who were Mr. *Walter Wollaston*, Mr. *Walter Waring*, Mr. *Edward Broughton*, and Mr. *Richard Woollaston*: And that a Town Clock was bought with Part of the Money, and some other public Works had been done with Part of the Money; but could not speak as to the paving of the Streets.

As to the Three Votes excepted to by the Petitioner; *Francis Colbach* said, That *William James* was a Burgess; and had been an Inhabitant in *Bishops Castle* about Six Months before the Election:

That *Thomas Waters* and *Samuel James* are Burgesses, and were Inhabitants long before the Election; and had voted before.

As to the Three the Petitioner would have added to his Poll;

*Francis Colbach* said, That *Richard Bright* was . . . Burgess; but not resiant, as reported, above a Fortnight or Three Weeks before the Election;

That *Stockin* was not called as an Inhabitant. And, *Richard Norton*, *Richard Jeffries*, said, That *Stockin* lived without the Borough.

As to *Samuel Seyes*, *Allen Seyes*, and *William Minton*; said, That *Samuel Seyes* had owned himself to be an hired Servant to the Earl of *Macclesfield*; and that he had Money given him to come down to vote for Sir *Gilbert*; and was to have an Exciseman's Place, if capable: And a Letter was produced, dated the First of August 1699, from *Bishops Castle*, and directed to Mr. *John Williams*, wherein he mentions, That he was hired by the said Mr. *Williams* for 5*l.* per Annum, and 5*s.* per Week; but the Letter does not say for any particular Purpose.

The Sitting Member's Counsel then insisted, They would disqualify Nine of the Petitioner's Votes, as receiving Alms; and one, as being a Lunatick:

*Samuel Lloyd*, *Barnaby Nicholas*, *Thomas Bright*, *Stephen Minton*, *Nathanael Nicholas*, *John Richards*, *Cha. Bright*, *David Adams*, *Steph. Lloyd*, and *Henry Wollaston*.

And called

*Francis Colbach*: Who said, That *Sam. Lloyd*, *Barn. Nicholas*, *Tho. Bright*, *Steph. Minton*, *Nath. Nicholas*, and *Cha. Bright's* Wives, received of Mr. *Turner's* Charity, upon the 2d of June 1698:

And that *Stephen Lloyd's* Daughter did receive of the same Charity for her Father.

But, as to *John Richards* and *David Adams*, there was no positive Proof.

The Nature of which Charity is, That Mr. *Tanner* left 6*l.* a Year to the Parishes of *Bishops Castle* and *Montgomery*;



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*Montgomery*; 50 s. of which is to be disposed to the Poor of *Bishops Castle*, on the 2d of June in every Year; and 20 s. paid for a Sermon: That the said Charity was generally given to the Widows; and had been so to the Wives of those Persons for several Years.

*Francis Colbach* and *Sam. Woollaston* both spake as to *Hen. Woollaston*: The Substance of whose Evidence was, That the said Mr. *Woollaston* was a Minister; but, 3 or 4 Years since, was in *Bedlam*: And having lost his Living, for refusing the Oaths, hath since that time, in several Instances, acted as a Person not in his right Mind, viz. in affronting Women in the Streets, and lying down upon the Grubbs, as they called it, though neither of them could say he was actually mad at the time of the Election; and acknowledged, that he did preach not long before, by the Permission of neighbouring Ministers.

Then the Petitioner's Counsel were heard by way of Reply.

And a great Part of the Bribery on the other Side being proved by *Edward Minton* and *Robert Woollaston*; they first examined as to them. And called

*Jonathan Wilson*, *David Morris*: Who said, That, the Night before the Election, *Edward Minton*, and *Robert Woollaston* came to the said *Wilson's* House; and told him, They had not disposed of their Votes: That, if they voted for Sir *Gilbert*, they would have 10 l. a piece; for they could have the same Money on the other Side:

That *Wilson* acquainted Sir *Gilbert* with it; who said, If you love me, do not talk of Money; for there is an Act against it: That, afterwards, *Wilson* brought them to Sir *Gilbert*; and he told them, He would give them nothing: Whereupon they said, They would vote for him on Honour; and *Minton* fell on his Knees, and prayed, The Flesh might rot off from his Body, if he did not; and the other wished, if he did not, That he might be coupled; and both of them wished their Souls might be in Hell, if they did not vote for Sir *Gilbert*.

And said, That *Henry Woollaston* preached the Sunday Sevensnight before the Election very well, and has preached several times:

That they believed he had his Senses very well at the time of the Election; for that, it being then objected, that he had not taken the Oaths, he answered, It was not long since he had taken his Burgess Oath.

Mr. *Morris Pugh* said, That, discoursing with *Edward Minton* and *Robert Woollaston* a Day or Two before the Election, they said they would not give their Votes, except they had 10 l. a piece; and at first they demanded 20 l. for they heard it would come near.

And said, If they had it not on one Side, they could have it on the other: And that *Edward Minton* did steal Leather from him about *Christmas* last was Twelve Months.

As to the offering Money in a Bason; they called

Mr. *John Brown*: Who said he was at *Bishops Castle* at the last Election: That he went down with my Lord *Macclesfield* from *London*, and carried his Cash, being about 100 Guineas; which was to pay travelling Charges: And that my Lord had only of him Two Guineas, from the time of his setting forth from *London* to the Day *Isaiah Hoggins* spake of: But acknowledged he was not in the Room when *Hoggins* came to my Lord; nor knew what Money my Lord had in his Pocket when he came from *London*.

Mr. *William Phillips* said, He was present the Morning of the Day before the Election, when *Isaiah Hoggins* came to speak with the Earl of *Macclesfield*: And that the said *Hoggins* did not stay with my Lord above Four Minutes; for, he telling my Lord he was offered Money by Sir *William Brownlow*, my Lord was very angry; and bid him go down Stairs; saying, He hoped none of the Corporation would accept of Bribery.

The Petitioner's Counsel proceeded to the justifying of their Votes: And called

Mr. *Morris Pugh*: Who said, That *Samuel Lloyd* was assessed, both this and the last Year, at about 4 d. or 6 d.

per Annum to Church and Poor; but his Condition was very poor:

That *Barnaby Nicholas* has been charged several Years to the Church; but could not say to the Poor:

That *Thomas Bright* was charged to the Church and Poor for the Year 98:

That *Minton* and *Nathaniel Nicholas* pay to the Church:

That *Charles Bright* senior, and *Stephen Lloyd*, have paid to the Church and Poor for 20 Years:

And all these, particularly *Barnaby Nicholas*, who was the poorest of them, have always voted.

And though he could not say but he might receive of *Tanner's* Charity, yet they had not Relief from the Parish; and receiving *Tanner's* Charity was never made an Exception to their voting.

The Petitioner's Counsel also called some Witnesses, as to several of the Sitting Member's Votes having received Mr. *Tanner's* Charity; but they could not be positive, nor speak to their having received it in the Year of the Election.

Upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir *William Brownlowe*, Baronet, is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bishops Castle*, in the County of *Salop*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir *Gilbert Gerard*, Baronet, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Bishops Castle*.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Sir *William Brownlowe*, Baronet, is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bishops Castle*, in the County of *Salop*.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Sir *Gilbert Gerard*, Baronet, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Bishops Castle*;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the said Election is a void Election.

It appearing to this House, upon the said Report, That the Burgesses of the said Borough of *Bishops Castle* have been notoriously guilty of Bribery in the said Election.

*Resolved*, That no Writ do issue, during this Session, for electing another Burgess for the said Borough.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Papers Half-pay relating to Half-pay are referred, be discharged from proceeding upon any Petitions referred to them since the said Committee was first appointed.

*Ordered*, That the Report touching *Dover* Harbour be made upon *Monday* Morning. Dover  
Harbour.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for suspending the Bounty Money given for exporting Corn, by the Act of *Primo Will. et Mariæ*, for the Encouraging the Exportation of Corn, from the Ninth Day of February instant to the 29th Day of September 1700: And that Mr. *Bullock*, and Sir *Thomas Cook*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Pelham*, and Mr. *Harley*, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill. Bounty on  
Corn.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Gentlemen, who are to prepare, and bring in, the said Bill, That they do bring in a Clause to the said Bill, for the taking off the Duty upon Bread, Peas, Biscuit, and Meal, exported, from the said Ninth Day of February instant.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, at Twelve a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee Supply.

Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty; and nothing to intervene.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till Monday Morning, Eight a Clock.

Lune, 5° die Februarii;

11° Gulielmi Tertii, 1699.

PRAYERS.

JOHN Niman, and Baltzer Lyell, took the Oaths appointed, in order to their Naturalization.

Hamborough Company.

A Petition of the Employers of Wool-spinners and Wool-combers, inhabiting in and about the City of *Canterbury*, on behalf of themselves, and the great Numbers of poor People by them employed, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Leave being given to bring in a Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, the Petitioners beg Leave to acquaint the House, That they find by Experience, That the Trade in the Woollen Manufacture does best extend itself through all the Markets of *Europe*, when left to its full Freedom; since which, the Petitioners have had constant Work, and competent Prices; and maintained themselves, and vast Numbers of Poor, which otherwise must have starved: And praying, That the Trade to *Germany* may not be restrained to the *Hamborough* Company only, but that it may be continued in its full Freedom.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Gentlemen, Merchants, Clothiers, and other considerable Dealers in the Woollen Manufactures, at *Leeds*, and Parts adjacent, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the House having given Leave to bring in a Bill for the Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, the Petitioners represent, That when the Trade to *Germany* was limited to the *Hamborough* Company only, it was very prejudicial to the Cloathing Trade in general; when, on the contrary, that Trade was left to a general Liberty, it met with far greater Encouragement both at home and abroad: And praying, That the said Trade may remain unconfin'd, and not be again reduced to the sole Interest of the *Hamborough* Company.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Ditto.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen and Clothiers, in and about the Cloathing Towns of *Dewsborough* and *Mirfield*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Exportation of our Woollen Manufactures was first attempted, and successfully carried on, by the *Hamborough* Company, to the great Benefit of the Nation; but, for want of sufficient Support of the said Company, Foreigners have got so great a Share of the said Trade, That it is in Danger of being lost to *English* Merchants; and consequently the Clothiers must lie in great Danger of having Hardships put upon them, and the Manufactures of being debased and carried into foreign Parts, by the Insight of Foreigners in the Working thereof: And praying, That the said Company may be established and protected in their Trade to *Germany*, under such Regulations as the House shall think fit.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, be read a Second time.

Ditto.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen, Merchants, Clothiers, Clothworkers, Fullers, and others, in *Hallifax*, and

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Parts adjacent, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That though the *Hamborough* Company first exported our Woollen Manufactures, to the great Advantage of the Nation, into *Holland* and *Germany*; yet Foreigners have gotten the sole Trade to *Holland*, and are likely to get it to *Germany*, for want of Encouragement to the said Company; which Trade, if in the Hands of Foreigners, may occasion great Hardships to be put on the Clothiers; and by an Insight in the manner of Working, and the Opportunity of exporting our Wool, may be a Means of transplanting our Art into foreign Countries, to the total Loss thereof to this Nation: And praying, That the said Company may be protected in their Trade to *Germany*, by Act of Parliament, to prevent the said threatening Mischiefs.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, be read a Second time.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen, Clothiers, and others, principally concerned in the Woollen Manufactures, in *Farnley*, *Bramley*, *Pudsey*, *Calverly*, and *Idle*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Exportation of our Woollen Manufactures was at first attempted, and afterwards successfully carried on, by the *Hamborough* Company; but, for want of a sufficient Support, Foreigners have gotten such a Share of that Trade, that the said Company is in danger of losing their Trade to *Germany*, and the Woollen Manufacture in Danger of being debased, and set up in Foreign Countries: And praying, That the said Company may be established and supported in their direct Trade to *Germany*, under such Regulations as the House shall think fit.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, be read a Second time.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen, Clothiers, Clothworkers, and others, principally concerned in the Woollen Manufactures in *Burston*, *Little* and *Great Summerhall*, *High Townes*, *Harset*, *Clifton*, and *Heaton*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, which is for the general Good of the Nation, and the Woollen Manufactures, is infringed by Foreigners, and in Danger of being lost to *English* Merchants, for want of Encouragement to the said Company; and, if some Care be not taken, our Woollen Trade may be carried on in foreign Countries, where it is already begun: And praying, That the said Company may be established and protected in their Trade to *Germany* only, by Act of Parliament, as the only Means to prevent the ensuing Mischiefs.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Bailiffs and Burgesses, and other Inhabitants, of the Borough of *Kidderminster*, in the County of *Worcester*, being an eminent Cloathing Town, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners find by the Votes of this House, that a Bill is brought in for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company: And well knowing, that the Cloathing Trade was heretofore much more beneficial to the Traders therein, when it was managed by *English* Merchants, than now; not only in respect of the Price, but the Assurance of their Money; the Petitioners therefore pray, That the said Bill may pass, giving all Encouragement to *English* Merchants to export our Woollen Manufactures, by such Ways as the House shall think fit.

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Ordered,

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Avon Navigation.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the River *Avon*, from *Bristol* to *Bath*, navigable, is committed, That they have Power to receive a Clause for the Setting up Lights in the City of *Bristol*.

Torbay Harbour.

A Petition of *Charles Middleton*, *Alexander Cairnes*, and One-and-thirty more of the City of *London*, Merchants, in behalf of themselves, and several others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are very sensible there is great want of a Harbour in *Torbay*, there being no Safety for Shipping betwixt *Plymouth* and *Portsmouth*; and that a Harbour or Mole there would be of great Use and Security to Ships of War, as well as Merchant Ships, not only in time of War, but Peace: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for making a Harbour or Mole at *Torbay*, with Fortifications for its Defence.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Lord *Cornbury*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Mr. *Hobson*, Mr. *White*, Colonel *Lee*, Sir *Ch. Hedges*, Sir *Basil Dixwell*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Joliffe*, Mr. *Duke*, Mr. *Greenhill*, Mr. *Aylmer*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Hughes*, Colonel *Granvill*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Northmore*, Mr. *Orme*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Sir *Tho. Felton*, Mr.

*Ashurst*, Lord *Coningsby*, Colonel *Byerly*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Harley*, Major *Stringer*, Sir *Edm. Bacon*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

A Petition of *James Baily*, *Tho. Ford*, and Twenty-nine more Masters of Ships, of the City of *London*, in behalf of themselves, and several others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That many Ships, and Men's Lives, have been Lost, both in Peace and War, by Storms, for want of a Harbour at *Torbay*, where One of the best of Harbours may be made; and, within few Weeks, Five Ships have been cast away in *Portland Road*: And praying, that a Bill may be brought in for making a Mole or Harbour at *Torbay*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee.

Mr. *Foley*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable *James Jeffes* Esquire to sell Lands, in *Southminster*, in the County of *Essex*, for Payment of Debts: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Clark*, according to Order, presented to the House a yearly Account of the Gross and . . . Product of the Barrels of Beer, Ale, and Small Beer, charged from *Midsummer* 1688, to *Midsummer* 1699: And the Title thereof was read: And the Account is as followeth; viz.

EXCISE.	The several Years.	LONDON.										COUNTRY.										
		Common Brewers.					Victuallers.					Total of common Brewers and Victuallers.					Total of common Brewers and Victuallers.					
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From 24 June 1698, to 24 June 1699	308162½	654270	690635½	511	5455½	6701	968405	697336½	447402½	414334½	1557656½	809139½	1223473½	2973464	1920810							

DEANE MONTAGE, Accountant General.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming the Sale of the Manor of *Stansall*, and certain Tenements in the County of *York*, made by *Tho. Barlow*, Gentleman; and for settling other Lands, of greater Value, to the same Uses; and for vesting other Lands and Hereditaments, in Trustees, to be sold, for purchasing other Lands, to be settled to the same Uses; was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Sir *Tho. Wagstaffe*, Mr. *Dyott*, Mr. *Morgan*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Foley*, Captain *Clayton*, Mr. *Thursby*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Baz. Dirwell*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Proby*, Sir *Rich. Cock*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Paget*, Sir *John Williams*, Mr. *Lister*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Greenhill*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Sir *Wm. Cook*, Sir *Robert Eden*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Lewis*, Mr. *Freke*, Mr. *Isham*; and all that serve for the Counties of *York*, *Lincoln*, and *Nottingham*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the several Parishes of *Tisehust* and *Etchingham*, in the County of *Sussex*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there being a Bill depending in the House, for repairing the Highways from *Sevenoaks* to *Tonbridge*, in the County of *Kent*, upon Pretence that the Inhabitants are unable, and want of Materials; and that the Road within those Parishes is the direct Road between *London*, and *Hastings*, and *Rye*: The Petitioners shew, that their said Parishes lie on the same Road; and that they are altogether as unable to repair their Roads: And praying, That they may be exempt from paying any Toll, or otherwise, to the Repair of the Highways, between *Sevenoaks* and *Tonbridge*; and that they may be heard against the said Bill.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lowndes* do lay before this House an Account of all Grants, made since his Majesty's Accession to the Crown, which are not already laid before the House.

A Bill for ascertaining the Measures of Beer and Ale, according to sealed Measures, to be kept in every Town, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Pierpoint*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Dyott*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Hancock*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Thursby*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Lee*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Onslow*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Rouney*, Mr. *Mounstevens*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Ordered, That no more Petitions, against or for the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough Company*, be received after *Thursday* next.

A Petition of *Charles Stuteville* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That he is greatly surprised to find by the Votes of this House, that a Bill is brought in for Sale of the Manors of *Dalham cum Dunstall* and *Abbotts*, in *Denham*, in the County of *Suffolk*, the Petitioner's Estate; for that he never did consent to, nor give Directions for, any such Bill: And praying to be heard by Counsel, at the Bar of the House, before any further Proceedings be made upon the said Bill.

Ordered,



*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition, and of the Petition of *John Beecher* Esquire, and *Charles Beecher*, and *John Brulger* Gentleman, and of *Elizabeth* the Wife of the said *Charles Stuteville* Esquire, and their Five Children, presented to the House the 26th of January last, be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same to the House, before the said Bill be read a Second time:

And it is referred to *Sir Robert Davers*, *Sir Sam. Barnardiston*, *Mr. Roberts*, *Sir Jacob Ashley*, *Mr. Worsley*, *Sir Cha. Turner*, *Lord Cornbury*, *Mr. Blofeld*, *Earl of Disert*, *Sir Wm. Cook*, *Mr. Pelham*, *Mr. Gwyn*, *Mr. Rayner*, *Mr. Blake*, *Mr. Bullock*, *Mr. Lee*, *Mr. Dormer*, *Mr. Brewer*, *Sir Row Gwy* . . , *Mr. Barnardiston*, *Mr. Harley*, *Mr. Hamond*, *Mr. Harvey*, *Sir Robert Napper*, *Sir Rushout Cullen*, *Sir Cha. Windham*; and all the Members that serve for the Counties of *Norfolk*, *Suffolk*, and *Cambridge*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Hackney  
Coachmen.

A Complaint being made to the House of the Insolence, Abuses, and Exactions, of the Hackney Coachmen;

*Ordered*, That it be referred to a Committee, to examine the same: And that they do consider of the Act lately made, relating to Hackney Coaches; and report their Opinion to the House, what is fit to be done for the further regulating of them:

And it is referred to *Mr. Bertie*, *Mr. Godolphin*, *Mr. Gwynn*, *Mr. Stonehouse*, *Mr. Mountague*, *Sir Robert Dashwood*, *Mr. England*, *Sir Rich. Farrington*, *Mr. Rowney*, *Mr. Campion*, *Mr. Hayes*, *Sir John Bolles*, *Mr. Worsley*, *Sir Baz. Dirwell*, *Sir Tho. Wagstaff*, *Mr. Lowther*, *Lord Cornbury*, *Mr. Pierpoint*, *Sir Row. Gwyn*, *Colonel Lee*, *Mr. Dymock*, *Mr. Foley*, *Mr. Scobell*, *Sir Wm. Ellis*, *Sir Rob. Davers*, *Colonel Kirkby*, *Mr. Blaake*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Privilege.

A Complaint being made to the House, That *Sir Bazill Firebrasse*, *James Munday* Esquire, *Charles Wilford*, *William Whitlock*, *John Blower*, *George Pretty*, alias *Dammee George*, \* \* \* *Garnett*, *Antony Buckmaster*, *Robert Dallison*, *John Jennings*, and \* *Jeffryes*, had arrested *Edward Chandler*, a menial Servant and Under-keeper of *Christopher Lyster* Esquire, a Member of this House, in his Walk in *Enfield Chace*; in Breach of the Privilege of this House;

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Complaint be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Answer to  
Address.

*Mr. Secretary Vernon* acquainted the House, That he having presented to His Majesty their Address, That the Clerk of the Council might lay before this House an Account of the Petitions and Proceedings before the Council, relating to Charters granted, during his Majesty's Reign, to Corporations that send Members to Parliament; his Majesty had been pleased to give Orders, that the same should be laid before the House accordingly.

Dover  
Harbour.

The Lord *Fairfax*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Commissioners for the Repair of *Dover* Harbour was referred, the Matter, as it appeared to them; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Report do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House: And that the same be read, and taken into Consideration, upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Employing  
the Poor.

*Mr. Pelham*, according to Order, presented to the House, a Bill for the more effectual Employment of the Poor, and encouraging the Manufactures of *England*: And the same was received, and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

*Mr. Godolphin*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of the Manufactures made of Silk, Cotton, and Herba, imported from the *East Indies*, from *Christmas* 1697, to *Christmas* 1699:

And also, an Account of the *East India* Manufactures, made of Silk, Cotton, and Herba, exported from *Christmas* 1697, to *Christmas* 1699.

And the Titles thereof were read: And the said Accounts are as follow; viz.

The said Account of the said Manufactures, imported into the Port of *London*, from *Christmas* 1697, to *Christmas* 1698.

*London*.

Dimity	-	-	-	9,279 Yards
Linen, alias Callicoes vocat.				
Callicoes	-	-	-	350,746 Pieces
Do. Hankerchiefs	-	-	-	at --- 6 10 8
Do. Night-gowns	-	-	-	6
Do. Petticoats	-	-	-	11
Do. Sheets	-	-	-	36 Pair
Do. Shirts	-	-	-	4,112
Do. Waistcoats	-	-	-	39
Callico Curtains	-	-	-	1 Set at --- 2 0 0
Do. Petticoats of Silk	-	-	-	126
Do. Sashes	-	-	-	3
Callico quilted	-	-	-	1,058 Yards
Do. Aprons flowered with Thread	-	-	-	6
Callico Bed	-	-	-	1
Callico Quilts for Cradles	-	-	-	88
Callico Table-cloths	-	-	-	20
Callico Quilts	-	-	-	40
Do. stitched with Silk	-	-	-	133
Chints Gold-flowered	-	-	-	6 Pieces
Bafts Zere	-	-	-	1
Brawls	-	-	-	2 Pieces
Diaper	-	-	-	206
Canvas Spruce	-	-	-	399 Bolts
Mulmuls flowered	-	-	-	2,233 Pieces
Neck-cloths single	-	-	-	49,374
Nightrails Thread-flowered	-	-	-	459
Neck-cloths Gold-flowered	-	-	-	47
Penlances	-	-	-	101 Pieces
Muslins flowered with Silk	-	-	-	6
Tanjeebs flowered with Thread	-	-	-	2,608
Palampours large	-	-	-	85

Silk-wrought vocat.

Atlases Gold-flowered	-	-	-	743 Pieces
Allagars strip'd with Silver	-	-	-	63
Counterpains Gold-flowered	-	-	-	at --- 59 10 00
Night-gowns	-	-	-	8
Pelongs	-	-	-	17 Pieces
Sashes Gold-flowered	-	-	-	9
Sashes Silk	-	-	-	35
Gause Gold-flowered	-	-	-	21
Silk Red embroidered	-	-	-	39
Silk flowered with Gold and Silver	-	-	-	167
Waistcoats	-	-	-	14
Bengalls wrought	-	-	-	8 Pieces
Do. Raw	-	-	-	79,404
Silk flowered with Silk	-	-	-	129 Pieces
Do. with Gold	-	-	-	2 1/2 Pieces
Silk wrought	-	-	-	60,499 1/2
Do. Sleeve	-	-	-	69
Umbrellas	-	-	-	4

Silk and Cotton.

Arastas	-	-	-	1 Piece
Cherconees	-	-	-	2,651 Pieces
Chucklees	-	-	-	1,599
Cuttanees plain	-	-	-	404
Charcolees	-	-	-	8

Berochees

Berochees	-	-	-	-	61
Gause	-	-	-	-	11
Mallachues	-	-	-	-	57
Kerorses	-	-	-	-	16
Shallbafts large	-	-	-	-	705
Do. small	-	-	-	-	1,770
Seere Bands	-	-	-	-	25
Seersuckers	-	-	-	-	2,195
Tepoyes	-	-	-	-	987
Soosaes	-	-	-	-	8,367
Elachees	-	-	-	-	581 Pieces
Handkerchiefs	-	-	-	-	30
Mohabutbanes	-	-	-	-	2,397½ Pieces
Romalls	-	-	-	-	121,748 Pieces
Jamwares flowered Gold and Silver	-	-	-	-	495 Pieces

Stuffs made of Herba vocat.

Allabanns	-	-	-	-	736 Pieces
Ginghams	-	-	-	-	8,182
Longues Herba	-	-	-	-	5,228
Do. Herba and Cotton	-	-	-	-	2,721
Do. Cloth	-	-	-	-	2,256
Nillaes	-	-	-	-	24,332 Pieces
Peniascoes	-	-	-	-	11,118
Putkeys	-	-	-	-	1,239
Taffaties Silk-flowered	-	-	-	-	3
Taffaties Herba	-	-	-	-	4,495 Pieces
Taffatie Bed-flowered	-	-	-	-	1

Examined per Wm. Cox.

Will. Culliford, Inspector General Imports and Exports.

Imported from Christmas 1698, to Christmas 1699; viz.

Dimity	-	-	-	-	1,834 Yards
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Linen alias Callico vocat.

Callico	-	-	-	-	668,355½ Pieces
Callico Aprons and Waistcoats	-	-	-	-	10
Callico Pillowbiers	-	-	-	-	6
Callico Petticoats stitched	-	-	-	-	31 Pieces
Callico Sheets	-	-	-	-	38 Pair
Chint Beds	-	-	-	-	6 Beds
Chint with gold Paper	-	-	-	-	1 Piece
Chint Hangings	-	-	-	-	5 Pieces
Cravats embroidered	-	-	-	-	26 Cravats
Mullmulls flowered with Thread or Silk	-	-	-	-	792 Pieces
Muslins flowered with Silk or Silver	-	-	-	-	18 Pieces
Neckcloths single	-	-	-	-	75,771
Nightrails and Toylets flowered	-	-	-	-	51
Pallampoors large	-	-	-	-	9
Pallampoors small	-	-	-	-	637 Pieces
Shirts and Smocks	-	-	-	-	24,737
Table-cloths	-	-	-	-	477
Tanjebs flowered with Thread	-	-	-	-	1,303 Pieces

Quilts and Quilting.

Callico Quilts	-	-	-	-	2,778
Do. embroidered, and stitched with Silk	-	-	-	-	63
Callico quilted	-	-	-	-	24 Ps & 94 Yds
Scamoty	-	-	-	-	6 Yards

Silk wrought vocat.

Wrought Silk plain	-	-	-	-	82,776 L. wt. 4 Oz.
Allagahs Gold-striped	-	-	-	-	16 Pieces
Atlases Gold-flowered	-	-	-	-	178 Pieces
Counterpains China, Gold-flowered	-	-	-	-	181
Counterpains flowered and painted	-	-	-	-	214
Caps stitched with Silk	-	-	-	-	9 Caps
Cushions flowered with Gold	-	-	-	-	2
Gause Scarves flowered with Gold	-	-	-	-	12
Gause with Gold Paper	-	-	-	-	143 Pieces
Gold Paper Silk	-	-	-	-	213
Gold-flowered Silk	-	-	-	-	7
Hannoos flowered Gold	-	-	-	-	212
Letter-cases Silk	-	-	-	-	238
Nankeen Silks flowered with Gold	-	-	-	-	6 Pieces
Pelong Gowns flowered with Gold	-	-	-	-	9 Gowns

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Pelong Gowns painted	-	-	-	-	521
Pelong Petticoats	-	-	-	-	82
Petticoats embroidered	-	-	-	-	2
Satin flowered with Gold	-	-	-	-	43 Pieces
Tapestry flowered with Gold	-	-	-	-	5
Velvet flowered with Gold	-	-	-	-	7
Umbrelloes of Silk	-	-	-	-	35
Waistcoats embroidered	-	-	-	-	40

Silk and Cotton Stuffs.

Bettellees	-	-	-	-	1 Piece
Chercolles	-	-	-	-	12
Cherconees	-	-	-	-	148
Cuttances plain	-	-	-	-	2,981
Do. flowered Gold and Silver	-	-	-	-	129
Chucklaes	-	-	-	-	1,136
Elatches	-	-	-	-	1,421
Jamwares flowered with Gold	-	-	-	-	8
Mohutbannes	-	-	-	-	2,560
Nicanees	-	-	-	-	1
Romalls	-	-	-	-	10,267
Romall Handkerchiefs	-	-	-	-	6
Shallbafts	-	-	-	-	3,290
Seersuckers	-	-	-	-	1,770
Silk and Cotton Damask	-	-	-	-	1
Sooseys	-	-	-	-	9,751
Tepoyes	-	-	-	-	1,092

Stuffs made of Herba vocat.

Allibannees	-	-	-	-	781
Chowckraes	-	-	-	-	6,099
Glinghams	-	-	-	-	7,418
Gingallaries	-	-	-	-	199
Herba Longes	-	-	-	-	423
Herba Taffaties	-	-	-	-	3
Herba Taffaties flowered with Silver	-	-	-	-	2
Nillaes	-	-	-	-	10,006
Pineascoes	-	-	-	-	1,568
Photaes	-	-	-	-	745
Tanna Stuffs	-	-	-	-	167

Examined per Wm. Cox.

Collected per Cha. Carkesse.

The said Account of East India Manufactures, made of Silk, Cotton, and Herba, exported from Christmas 1697, to Christmas 1699; viz.

London.

From Christmas 1697, to Christmas 1698, in Time.

Linen alias Callico vocat.

Bafts	-	-	-	-	13 Pieces
Birampants	-	-	-	-	13
Brawls	-	-	-	-	2,410½
Callico	-	-	-	-	226,011½
Callico Shirts	-	-	-	-	104
Callico Sheets	-	-	-	-	1 Pair
Chints	-	-	-	-	264½ Pieces
Cossays	-	-	-	-	363
Cloth Longees	-	-	-	-	407½
Culljees broad	-	-	-	-	48
Doreas	-	-	-	-	19
Dungannees	-	-	-	-	72
Gelongs	-	-	-	-	145
Kerorsees	-	-	-	-	40
Muslin	-	-	-	-	100½
Muslin Neckcloths	-	-	-	-	3,499 Neckcloths
Mullmulls	-	-	-	-	1,080 Pieces
Mutachees	-	-	-	-	25
Neckcloths flowered with Silk	-	-	-	-	490
Nightrails	-	-	-	-	20
Putkeys	-	-	-	-	42
Sallampores	-	-	-	-	2,787
Tanjees	-	-	-	-	236½
Tapsells broad	-	-	-	-	110
Tapsells narrow	-	-	-	-	614
Quilts	-	-	-	-	132

Silk wrought vocat.

Allajahs	-	-	-	-	43 Pieces
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Bengalls	-	-	-	-	13 Pieces
Counterpains	-	-	-	-	2
Longees	-	-	-	-	15
Pelongs	-	-	-	-	65
Taffaties	-	-	-	-	157½

Silk and Cotton Stuffs *vocat.*

Atlasse Cuttanees	-	-	-	-	119 Pieces
Bettelees	-	-	-	-	34
Chucklees	-	-	-	-	894
Cuttanees plain	-	-	-	-	46
Cuttanees flowered	-	-	-	-	168
Elatchees	-	-	-	-	168
Tamwares	-	-	-	-	32
Longees	-	-	-	-	290
Mohabutbanees	-	-	-	-	555
Nickanees	-	-	-	-	1,586
Photeas	-	-	-	-	15
Romalls	-	-	-	-	7,102
Seersuckers	-	-	-	-	549
Shalbafis	-	-	-	-	502
Soosays	-	-	-	-	2,504
Tepoys	-	-	-	-	34

Stuffs made of Herba *vocat.*

Chercotees	-	-	-	-	122
Ginghams	-	-	-	-	802½
Nilleas	-	-	-	-	821
Penniascoes	-	-	-	-	1,091
Taffaties Herba	-	-	-	-	2,113
Silk and Herba Longees	-	-	-	-	513 Pieces
Stuffs Guinea	-	-	-	-	2,226

Exported out of Time from *Christmas* 1697, to *Christmas* 1698; viz.

Linen *alias* Callicoes *vocat.*

Brawles	-	-	-	-	4 Pieces
Bricanees	-	-	-	-	163
Callicoes	-	-	-	-	4,581½
Callico Shirts	-	-	-	-	112
Counterpains	-	-	-	-	1
Cossays	-	-	-	-	3
Cuttanees	-	-	-	-	6
Chints	-	-	-	-	504
Culljees broad	-	-	-	-	32
Gelongs	-	-	-	-	62
Gwacahs	-	-	-	-	4
Longees Cloath	-	-	-	-	2
Mullmuls	-	-	-	-	2
Muslin	-	-	-	-	339 Pieces 4½ Yds
Neckcloths	-	-	-	-	1,703
Pallampores	-	-	-	-	22
Pintadoes	-	-	-	-	8
Sallampores	-	-	-	-	6
Tapcells	-	-	-	-	2
Tanjeebs	-	-	-	-	204½
Quilts Callico	-	-	-	-	33

Silk wrought *vocat.*

Atlases	-	-	-	-	56
Bengalls	-	-	-	-	59
India	-	-	-	-	1,132
Longees	-	-	-	-	2 Pieces
Paunches	-	-	-	-	51
Pelongs	-	-	-	-	31
Persian	-	-	-	-	63
Taffaties	-	-	-	-	48
Silk <i>Bengall</i> Raw	-	-	-	-	541

Silk and Cotton Stuffs *vocat.*

Camblet	-	-	-	-	4 Pieces
Doreas	-	-	-	-	3
Elatches	-	-	-	-	23
Ginghams	-	-	-	-	15
Handkerchiefs	-	-	-	-	29,301
Hurmuins	-	-	-	-	306
Jamwares	-	-	-	-	9
Mohabutbanees	-	-	-	-	59½

Nilleas	-	-	-	-	16
Nickanees	-	-	-	-	1
Penniascoes	-	-	-	-	213
Putkeys	-	-	-	-	5
Romalls	-	-	-	-	1,096
Shallbaits	-	-	-	-	7
Seersuckers	-	-	-	-	44
Soosayes	-	-	-	-	199
Tepoys	-	-	-	-	1
Carpets	-	-	-	-	5

Out Ports Exportation.  
Linen *alias* Callicoes *vocat.*

	In Time.	Out of Time.
Callicoes	518½	1,727 Pieces
Chuckleas	14 Pieces	
Cuttanees	45	
Ginghams	63	19 Pieces
Jamwares	7	7 Yards
Mullmulls	227½	31 Pieces
Muslin	29½	187
Muslin Neckcloths	1,419	213
Nilleas	33 Pieces	
Penniascoes	2	
Romalls	1,242	515 Ps. 37 Hand
Soosayes	2	
Pintadoes		12 Pieces

Silk wrought *vocat.*

Atlases	-	-	-	22 Pieces	
<i>Bengall</i>	-	-	-		14 Pieces
<i>India</i>	-	-	-	5,638 L.	
<i>Persian</i>	-	-	-	19 Pieces	
Taffaties	-	-	-	15	
Tanjeebs	-	-	-	18 Pieces	3 Pieces

Examined per Wm. Cox.

*Will. Culliford*, Inspector General Imports and Exports.

Exported from the Port of *London* from *Christmas* 1698, to *Christmas* 1699.

Atlases	-	-	-	-	394
Atlases flowered with Gold	-	-	-	-	21
Allajahs	-	-	-	-	33
Allajahs wrought with Silver	-	-	-	-	1
Allabans	-	-	-	-	414
Bengalls	-	-	-	-	57
Byrampotts	-	-	-	-	31
Beazour	-	-	-	-	1,259 Ounces
Brawles	-	-	-	-	1,744½
Baskets	-	-	-	-	2 Nests and ½
Beads of Coral	-	-	-	-	5 Ounces and ½
Bafts painted	-	-	-	-	2
Chucklaes	-	-	-	-	402
Cuttanees	-	-	-	-	113
Charconees	-	-	-	-	133
Chewares	-	-	-	-	300
Counterpains	-	-	-	-	58
Counterpains flowered with Gold	-	-	-	-	1
Cullgees	-	-	-	-	3
Ware <i>China</i>	Bowls and Basons	-	-	-	1,465
	Bottles	-	-	-	36
	Parcels	-	-	-	70
	Pieces	-	-	-	24,279
	Jars	-	-	-	4
	Dishes	-	-	-	22
Camblets	Teapots	-	-	-	40
		-	-	-	6
	Cossays	-	-	-	182
	Chints	-	-	-	2,398
	Cottons striped	-	-	-	54
	Checks	-	-	-	676
	Cornelian Rings	-	-	-	1,214
	Callicoes	-	-	-	374,183
	Chests lacquered	-	-	-	2
	Cotton Yarn	-	-	-	31,663 L.
Deribands small		-	-	-	12
		-	-	-	

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Dimity	-	-	-	-	539 Yards
Doreas	-	-	-	-	82
Elatches	-	-	-	-	310
Fans	-	-	-	-	26,206
Goa Stone	-	-	-	-	469 Ounces
Guinea Stuffs	-	-	-	-	5,390
Ginghams	-	-	-	-	313
Ginghams coloured	-	-	-	-	123
Gowns of Silk	-	-	-	-	5
Gowns embroidered	-	-	-	-	7
Handkerchiefs	-	-	-	-	313
Images	-	-	-	-	84
Kishasses	-	-	-	-	161
Lacquered Wares	-	-	-	-	659 Pieces
Longees	-	-	-	-	72½
Mohabutbanes	-	-	-	-	907
Motasses	-	-	-	-	71
Monditts	-	-	-	-	49
Muslins striped and flowered	-	-	-	-	76
Mulnulls	-	-	-	-	184
Morees	-	-	-	-	153
Neckcloths	{	striped	-	-	1,290
		plain	-	-	8,071
Nillaes	-	-	-	-	1,495
Nehallawares	-	-	-	-	124
Niccanees	-	-	-	-	2,771
Papers of Flowers	-	-	-	-	747
Pallampores	-	-	-	-	1,971
Petticoats	-	-	-	-	132
Prints	-	-	-	-	200 Pieces
Pelongs	-	-	-	-	33
Petkeys	-	-	-	-	61
Peniassaes	-	-	-	-	902
Persians	-	-	-	-	29
Quilts	-	-	-	-	261
Rangoes	-	-	-	-	162,805
Romalls	-	-	-	-	2,241
Shallbafts	-	-	-	-	613
Sallampores	-	-	-	-	616
Sanoes	-	-	-	-	62
Shirts	-	-	-	-	1,910
Savaguzees	-	-	-	-	23
Silk wrought	-	-	-	-	24,157½l.
Silk wrought with Gold	-	-	-	-	10l.
Soosays	-	-	-	-	7,447
Seersuckers	-	-	-	-	545
Hand-screens	-	-	-	-	36
Tapees	-	-	-	-	271
Taffaties	{	Herba	-	-	116
		Persia	-	-	130
Tapseils	{	narrow	-	-	986
		broad	-	-	1,285
Tea Tables	-	-	-	-	40
Tanjeebs	{	narrow	-	-	66
		broad	-	-	227
Waistcoats embroidered	-	-	-	-	10
Waitcoats of Callico	-	-	-	-	7

Errors excepted, per J. Walker.

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

Woollen Ma-  
nufactures.

Sir Richard Onslow, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for taking off the Duties upon the Exportation of Woollen Manufactures: And the same was received; and read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Wednesday Morning next.

Orford, &c.  
Elections.

Ordered, That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of Orford, in the County of Suffolk; and touching the Election for the Borough of Clifton Dartmouth Hurdness, in the County of Devon; be made upon Thursday Morning next.

Bedwyn  
Election.

The House being informed, That Thomas Neale Esquire, who petitioned against Doctor Davenant, touch-

ing the Election for the Borough of Bedwyn, in the County of Wilts, is dead;

Ordered, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections be discharged from proceeding further upon the said Petition.

Ordered, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections be discharged from proceeding further this Session, upon the Petition touching the Election for the Borough of St. Mawes, in the County of Cornwall, at the Desire of the Parties concerned.

St. Mawes  
Election.

The House being informed, That Shadrack Vincent Esquire, who petitioned against Sir Bevil Granville and Mr. Vivian, touching the Election for the Borough of Fowey, in the County of Cornwall, is dead;

Fowey  
Election.

Ordered, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections be discharged from proceeding further on the said Petition.

The House being informed, That several Persons in Possession of forfeited Estates in Ireland, by virtue of Grants thereof, are selling Timber, and committing other Wastes upon such forfeited Estates;

Irish  
Forfeitures.

Resolved, That such Persons as shall fell any Timber, or commit any Wastes, upon the said forfeited Estates, shall be answerable for the same: And that it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in Ireland, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick, is committed, That they do bring in a Clause for that Purpose.

Mr. Bullock, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the suspending the Bounty-money for exporting Corn, from the 9th Day of February 1699, to the 29th Day of September 1700: And the same was received; and read the First time.

Bounty on  
Corn.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matters to them referred; and had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, and to make several Motions to the House, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the said Report of the said Resolution and Motions be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Conyers also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in Ireland, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons; and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen; and for other necessary Occasions.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

Ordered, That all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe be



King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

be added to the Committee appointed to inspect the Journals of the House for the last Session, upon the Petition of *John Goodall*, and other Petitions relating to the Abuses of the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Martis, 6<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

Jacobson's,  
&c. Nat.

A BILL for naturalizing *Theodore Jacobson*, *William Brown*, and *Surah Haskinstyles*, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *White*, Sir *Edward Stradling*, Mr. *Lutterell*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Mountague*, Sir *Joseph Jekyll*, Mr. *Dyott*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Rowney*, Sir *Barth. Shore*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Yates*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Sir *Roger Bradshaw*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Lewis*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Thursby*, Mr. *Blofield*, Mr. *Blaake*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Assaying of  
Plate.

Mr. *Scobell* reported from the Committee, to whom the Petitions of the Goldsmiths of the Cities of *Exeter*, *Chester*, and *Norwich*, and the Borough of *Honiton*, *Chard*, and *Crewkern*, were referred, That they had examined the same, and had come to a Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Wardens and Assay-masters be appointed in most considerable Cities and Towns of this Kingdom, for assaying all Plate, according to the present Standard; and for affixing the *Britannia* Mark on such Plate: And that the Goldsmiths, and Workers of Silver, in such Cities and Towns, be under such Rules and Regulations, as may prevent Abuses and Corruptions therein.

The said Resolution being read a Second time:

Resolved, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Wardens and Assay-masters be appointed in most considerable Cities and Towns of this Kingdom, for assaying all Plate, according to the present Standard; and for affixing the *Britannia* Mark on such Plate: And that the Goldsmiths, and Workers of Silver, in such Cities and Towns, be under such Rules and Regulations, as may prevent Abuses and Corruptions therein.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution; and that Sir *Barth. Shore* and Mr. *Scobell* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Baldwin's  
Estate.

The Lord *Cheine* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better enabling *Anne Baldwin*, Widow, to make Sale of a Capital Messuage, and Lands, called *Wiltons*, and other Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in the County of *Bucks*, devised by her late Husband's Will, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations thereof; and that all Parties therein concerned had given their Consents, to the Satisfaction of the Committee: And that the Committee had made one Amendment to the Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place, and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendment, be ingrossed.

Lacy's  
Estate.

Mr. *Palmer* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Sale of several Western Manors and Lands, the Estate of *Arthur Lacy* Esquire, for discharging a Mortgage thereupon, and for laying out the Surplus-money

in the Purchase of Demense Lands, to be settled to the same Uses, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations thereof; and that all Parties concerned had given their Consents, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; And that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Ordered, That Mr. *Robinson* have Leave to withdraw his Petition touching the Election for the Borough of *Great Grimsby*, in the County of *Lincolne*. Great Grimsby Election.

A Petition of *William Rider* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, and *Edward Burdet* Esquire, having found out a Way for the supplying the Town and Port of *New Deal* with fresh Water; which will be a great Service to the Inhabitants and Ships that have Occasion to water there; King *James* the Second did, by Letters Patents, dated 21 July, in the 4th Year of his Reign, grant them the sole Liberty and Power of building a Conduit Head, Wharf, and other necessary Buildings, upon the Beach of the said Town, for carrying on the said Work; and to dig the Highways, Streets, and Waste Grounds, of his Majesty: And the Patentees were at great Charges, in causing Engineers to go from *London* to *Deal*, to view the Premises, and direct what was necessary to be done; and to treat with the Inhabitants, in order to the speedy completing of the said Work; but the Petitioner is informed, that one *William Warner* is endeavouring to advantage himself by the Petitioner's Discovery; and, for that End, hath begun a Work for bringing fresh Water to the Town of *Deal*; and hath obtained Leave of this House to bring in a Bill to bring fresh Water to the Town and Port of *Deal*; which, if it should pass into an Act, will destroy the Rights and Privileges granted to the Petitioner by the said Patent: And praying to be heard by Counsel, before the said Bill do pass. Deal Water works.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time: And that the Bill be read a Second time upon Friday Morning next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hancock*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Dalham*, &c. *Conyers*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Freke*, Sir *Robert Eden*, Mr. *Manors*, *White*, Mr. *Archdale*, Mr. *Greenhill*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Lewis*, Mr. *Mounstecons*, Mr. *Crane*, Mr. *Harvey*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Consideration of the Petition of *Charles Stuteville* Esquire, is referred.

Sir *Richard Cocks* reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Justices of the Peace, and Grand Jury, for the County of *Gloucester*, was referred, That they had examined the Allegations therein; and that it appeared to them, that the Measure commonly called Water-measure, is so very uncertain, that great Inconveniencies, and vexatious Law-suits, do frequently happen thereby; and that they had directed him to move the House, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the better ascertaining the Measure, commonly called Water-measure. Water-measure.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better ascertaining the Measure, commonly called Water-measure: And that Sir *Richard Cocks* and Mr. *Hancock* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, Dee That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the River *Dee* navigable was committed, be now received; Navigation.

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the said Report be made upon Friday next, at Twelve a Clock; and nothing to intervene.

A Petition

Hamborough  
Company.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen and Clothiers, Cloth-workers, and others, principally concerned in the Woollen Manufactures, in *Huddersfeild*, and the adjacent Parts, in the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Exportation of our Woollen Manufactures was first begun, and successfully carried on, by the *Hamborough* Company, to the Benefit . . . the whole Nation: But the Privileges of the said Company, have, of late, been infringed by Foreigners, who have already gotten a great Part of that Trade, especially to *Holland*; and the Whole is in Danger of falling into their Hands; which may be a Means of transplanting our Woollen Manufactures, by their Insight therein, to foreign Countries, where the same is already begun: And praying, That the said Company may be protected in their Privileges and Trade to *Germany*, only upon such Terms as the House shall think meet.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time.

Ditto.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen and Clothiers, in the Cloathing Town and Parish of *Guisely*, in the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Trade of exporting our Woollen Manufactures was first begun, and has been best managed for the Good of the Manufacturers, by the *Hamborough* Company: But of late Years, for want of a sufficient Support of the said Company, Foreigners have gotten so great a Share of that Trade, that the *English* Merchants are in Danger of the utter Loss of exporting our Woollen Manufactures to *Germany*, as they have for some Years, to *Holland*: And should that Trade be intrusted in the hands of Foreigners, it must lie under great Hazards of having Hardships put upon the Clothiers, and of being set up in foreign Countries, by their Insight of the Cloathing Trade: And praying, That the said Company may be established and protected in their Trade directly to *Germany*, under such Regulations as the House shall think fit, and that effectual Care may be taken to prevent the Exportation of our Wool.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time.

Ditto.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen, Clothiers, Cloth-workers, and others, principally concerned in the Woollen Manufactures in *Wakefeild*, *Horbury*, *Alverthorpe*, and *Ossett*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the *Hamborough* Company first attempted, and successfully promoted, the Exportation of *English* Woollen Manufactures, to the great Advantage of the Traders therein: But, for want of a sufficient Support, Foreigners have gotten so great a Share of that Trade, that the said Company is in Danger of being destroyed; and thereby that Trade is in Danger of being lost to *England*, either by the Weakness of their Stocks, or, by their Insight into the Manner of working our Cloth, the Carrying and Setting up the same in foreign Countries: And praying, That the *Hamborough* Company may be established and protected in their Privileges and Trade to *Germany*, to prevent the Mischiefs aforesaid.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time.

Ditto.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen, Clothiers, Cloth-dressers, and divers others, concerned in the Woollen Manufactures, in the ancient Cloathing Town and Parish of *Bradford*, in the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Exportation of *English* Woollen Manufactures was begun, and carried on, by the *Hamborough* Company, to the Advantage of all the Traders therein: But, of late, Foreigners have in-

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fringed the Privileges of that Company, and gotten so great a Part of the Trade to *Germany*, that *English* Merchants are like to have no Part thereof; and thereby that Trade is in great Danger of being lost to *England*, by Foreigners Insight to the Working of our Cloth, and the Opportunity of exporting our Wool; and so the same may be carried into foreign Countries: And praying, That the said Company may be established and protected in their Trade directly to *Germany*, under such Regulations as the House shall think fit; so as all his Majesty's natural-born Subjects may be admitted into the said Company; and that effectual Care may be taken to prevent the Exportation of Wool.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time.

A Petition of divers Clothiers, and others, depending on the Woollen Manufactures, in the County of *Suffolk*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That heretofore the *Hamborough* Company did export a considerable Part of the Petitioners Manufactures into *Germany*: But of late Years, since Foreigners have been permitted to trade thither, the Petitioners Trade hath much declined; and, if some Provision be not made for supporting the said Company, that Trade will wholly fall into the Hands of Foreigners; which will be very prejudicial to the Trade of the Woollen Manufactures in general: And praying, That the said Company may be supported in their Trade to *Germany*, as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Serge-makers, and Wool-combers, Exporting of the Town and County of *Southampton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That formerly Licence was granted for exporting from *Southampton* to the Islands of *Guernsey*, *Jersey*, *Alderney*, and *Sark*, 3,300 Todds of Wool yearly, to be combed, one Moiety at *Southampton*: But, in the late King *James's* Reign, Sir *Edward de Carteret* obtained a Grant for exporting thither double that Quantity unwrought; which was also established by an Act of Parliament in the First Year of his Majesty's Reign; to the great Impoverishment of the Petitioners, for Want of Work: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of *Moreton*, *Hamstead*, and Parts adjacent, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That their Woollen Manufacture Trade is very much decreased since the Prohibition thereof in *Flanders*, where the same is set up, and great Rewards offered to draw our Workmen thither; which has much increased the Number of the Poor, who are driven to great Wants for lack of Work: And praying, That some seasonable Remedy may be provided for the Petitioners Relief.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

A Bill to enable *James Jeffes* Esquire, to sell Lands in *Southminster* in the County of *Essex*, for Payment of Debts, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the Suspending the Bounty Money for exporting Corn, from the 9th Day of February 1699, to the 29th Day of September 1700, was read a Second time;

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And

Jeffes's Estate

Bounty on Corn exported.

And there being no Objection to the Body of the Bill, nor any Blank therein;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be ingrossed.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Harris* have Leave to go into the Country, for Recovery of his Health.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith*, Burgess for *Southampton*, have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place, and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, for the Discharging the Debt due to the Army.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, for the Discharging the Debt due to the Army.

Mr. *Conyers* also reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move, That the Accounts of the Debt due to the Army may be put into such a Method of Examination, that the same may be stated and adjusted in order to their being cleared.

*Resolved*, That the Accounts of the Debts due to the Army shall be put into such a Method of Examination, that the same may be stated and adjusted, in order to their being cleared.

Mr. *Conyers* also reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move, That the Accounts of the Debt due for Transport Service, over and above the Sum of 330,769*l.* 10*s.* 7*d.* for the Transport Service in Reducing of *Ireland*, may be put into such a Method of Examination, that the same may be stated and adjusted.

*Resolved*, That the Accounts of the Debts due for Transport Service, over and above the Sum of 330,769*l.* 10*s.* 7*d.* for the Transport Service in the Reducing of *Ireland*, shall be put into such a Method of Examination, that the same may be stated and adjusted.

*Resolved*, That the further Consideration of the said Resolutions be adjourned till Monday Morning next.

Hamborough  
Company.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time upon Tuesday Morning next.

Employing  
the Poor.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the better Relieving and Employing the Poor of this Kingdom.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Saturday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

Old East  
India Com-  
pany.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Thursday Morning next, before the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for continuing the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London*, trading to the *East Indies*, a Corporation.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Beer and Ale  
Measures.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Moor*, and Sir *John Mordant*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for ascer-

taining the Measures for retailing Ale and Beer is committed.

*Ordered*, That Colonel *Lutterell*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Mountstevens*, Sir *John Fagg*, Mr. *Wilkins*, Captain *Pye*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Lee*, Mr. *Crane*, Mr. *Greenhill*, Sir *John Rogers*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Thursby*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of Captain *John Hutchinson* is referred.

Hutchinson's  
Regimental  
Claims.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii, 7° die Februarii;*

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the Naturalizing of *Oliver d'Harcourt*, and others, was read the First time.

D'Harcourt's  
Nat.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill to enable *Thomas May* Gentleman to sell Lands in the County of *Suffolk*, which were settled upon his First and Second Marriage; and to convey other Lands, of a greater Value, in the same County, to the same Uses; was read the Third time.

May's  
Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable *Thomas May* Gentleman to sell Lands in the County of *Suffolk*, which were settled upon his Marriage; and to convey other Lands, in the same County, of a greater Value, to the same Uses.

*Ordered*, That the Earl of *Disert* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Edward Hussey*, Sir *Charles Hotham*, Sir *Francis Blake*, Mr. *Dymock*, Mr. *Pagit*, Mr. *Bethell*, Lord *Cornbury*, Sir *Wm. St. Quintin*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Whitchcot*, Sir *Willoughby Hickman*, Colonel *Seymour*, Mr. *Pelham*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Bromly*, Mr. *Bertie*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of Captain *John Hutchinson* is referred.

Hutchinson's  
Regimental  
Claims.

*Ordered*, That all the Members that serve for the Counties of *Wilts*, *Gloucester*, and *Worcester*, *Norfolk*, *Suffolk*, *Middlesex*, *London*, and *Surrey*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to restrain the Coining any more Halfpence or Farthings is committed.

Copper  
Coinage.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent Disputes that may arise by Members of Corporations having neglected to sign the Association in due Time: And that Mr. *Mompesson* and Mr. *Tredenham* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Signing  
Associations.

An ingrossed Bill for the Ship *Martha*, of *Margam*, to trade as a free Ship, was read the Third time.

Martha Ship.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be An Act for the Ship *Martha*, of *Margam*, to trade as a free Ship.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Edward Stradling* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Sir *Robert Eden* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for Preventing of frivolous and vexatious Suits in the Principality of *Wales* and the Counties Palatine, was committed, That they had made an Amendment to the Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read, and agreed unto by the House.

Vexatious  
Suits in  
Wales.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendment, be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Manor of *Exton*, and other Lands in the County of *Somerset*, late the Estate of *Thomas Siderfin* Esquire,

Siderfin's  
Estate.

Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Palmer*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Bertie*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Aylmer*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Archdale*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Gorge*, Mr. *Thursby*, Sir *Baz. Dixwell*, Sir *John Cope*, Sir *Ja. How*, Mr. *Phillips*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Barnardiston*, Mr. *Clark*, Serjeant *Coward*, Mr. *Lutterell*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Decon*, *Somerset*, *Dorset*, and *Cornwall*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Water-Measure.

Sir *Richard Cocks*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for ascertaining Water-measure: And the same was received, and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Ouze Navigation.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for cleansing, and making and keeping more navigable, the River *Ouze*, be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Quartering French Prisoners.

A Petition of the Mayor and Jurats of the Town and Port of *Dover*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That some of the poor Inhabitants of the said Town did not only, during the late War, quarter several sick and wounded *English* Seamen, but also many sick and wounded *French* Prisoners of War, for which there is due to them 965 *l.* 13 *s.* 8 *d.* as appears by Accounts thereof, delivered to the Commissioners of sick and wounded Seamen: And praying, That they may be paid what is due to them.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Half-pay.

A Petition of *Richard Oxenden*, formerly a Lieutenant in Colonel *Collingwood's* Regiment, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner faithfully served in the War ever since his Majesty's Accession to the Crown, until he was necessitated by Sickness to stay behind, when the said Regiment was sent to the *West Indies*; whereby he lost his said Employment: And praying, That he may be admitted into Half-pay for his present Support.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Creditors on Poll Tax.

A Petition of divers Persons on behalf of themselves and others, who have advanced considerable Sums of Money on the Credit of the 3d Quarterly Poll Tax, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Act was intended as a Fund for 500,000 *l.* with a borrowing Clause for the same, upon which the Petitioners advanced considerable Sums, without any Premium; but, the said Fund not producing above half the said Sum of 500,000 *l.* the Petitioners cannot be repaid by Money arising therefrom: And praying, That their Case may be taken into Consideration; and that Provision may be made for Repayment of the Money advanced upon the Credit and Security of the said Act of Parliament.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Regulating Prisons.

A Bill for Regulating of Prisons, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Carter*, Sir *Wm. Villers*, Mr. *Whitchcot*, Sir *John Garrard*, Mr. *Aylmer*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Burrard*, Mr. *Hamond*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Brecker*, Mr. *Guy*, Mr. *Proby*, Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Robert Eden*, Mr. *Stringer*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Cha. Windham*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Travers*; and all the

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Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Scutwell*, Clerk of the Council, attended;

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House the Petitions presented to his Majesty in Council; with the Reports and Orders thereupon, relating to Charters that have been granted, during his Majesty's Reign, to Corporations that send Members to Parliament; together with a List of them.

And then he withdrew.

And the said List was read; and is as followeth; viz.

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*Ordered*, That the said List and Papers be referred to the Committee appointed to examine all the Proceedings relating to Charters, and what new Charters have been granted during this Reign.

A Petition of *Henry Howard*, of *Norfolk*, Esquire, and *John Houzdsnell*, of *Gray's Inn*, Esquire, Executors of the last Will and Testament of the late Countess Dowager of *Portland*, in behalf of themselves, the Creditors and Legatees of the said late Countess, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That King *Charles* the Second, by his Letters Patents of the 24th of February 1676, for good Consideration, granted to Sir *James Hayes*, and Sir *Peter Apsley*, in Trust for the said Countess, full Power of licensing the Exportation of White Cloths, for which a small Duty is paid: That, the Countess had contracted several great Debts; and, by her said Will, charged the said Patent with 200 *l.* per Ann. Annuities to poor Relations and Servants, being almost the Amount of the Duty: But the Petitioners have applied the Duty towards Payment of her Debts; so that the Legatees have not received any Benefit by the Will; which will also be quite destroyed, if the Bill depending in the House, for taking away the Duties upon Woollen Manufactures exported, should pass into a Law: And praying, That a Clause may be inserted in the said Bill for securing the Petitioners in their Right and Property in the said Grant.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That a Committee be appointed to inquire how far the Laws against Popish Recusants have been put in Execution; and to inspect and review the said Laws; and to report their Opinions upon the same to the House; and also, to propose what further Remedies are necessary, to suppress the Growth of Popery in these Kingdoms, and to strengthen the Protestant Religion:

And it is referred to Mr. *Hamond*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Rowney*, Sir *Chr. Musgrove*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *How*, Lord *Coningsby*, Sir *Godfrey Cepley*, Sir *Wm. Glyn*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Mitton*, Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, Lord *Spencer*, Sir *Edw. Seymour*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Bridges*, Colonel *Bierly*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *Pelham*, Sir *Wm. Ellis*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Duke*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Harley*, Lord *Cutts*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Cha. Sidley*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Blisse*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Chase*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *Hen. Johnson*, Mr. *Dormer*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. *Fleming*, Mr. *England*, Sir *John Mordant*, Mr. *Gorge*, Mr. *Bullock*, Mr. *Mitchell*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Methuen*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And all that come are to have Voices; And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber; and to sit *de die in diem*: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

An ingrossed Bill for the Suspending the Bounty Money for exporting Corn, from the 9th Day of February 1699, to the 29th Day of September 1700, was read the Third time:

And several Amendments were severally proposed to be made to the Bill; viz.

Pr. 1. L. \*, to leave out "all;" and insert "no."

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Pr. 2. L. 1. to leave out "suspended, dissallowed, and unpaid;" and insert "due or payable."

And, at the End of the Bill, to add "anything in the said Act to the contrary notwithstanding."

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for taking away the Bounty Money for exporting Corn, from the 9th Day of February 1699, to the 29th Day of September 1700.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bullock* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Gardner's Estate.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. *Pitt* and Dr. *Newton*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting the real Estate of *Joseph Gardner*, and *Sarah* his Wife, late the Estate of *William Bridges* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold, for Payment of the Debts and Legacies therein mentioned; and for applying the Residue of the Money, upon Trust therein specified: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

State of the Nation.

A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the State of the Nation;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out "resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to:"

And the Question being put, That those Words stand Part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Walter Yonge*, } 155.  
Mr. *Clark*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Tredenham*, } 162.  
Mr. *Scobell*:

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put;

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, consider of the State of the Nation.

Employing the Poor.

A Bill for the more effectual Employing the Poor, and Encouraging the Manufactures of this Kingdom, was, according to Order; read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Sayers*, Mr. *Harley*, Lord *Coningsby*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Godolphin*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Blaake*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Fleming*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Sir *Chr. Musgrove*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Mounsteven*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Colonel *Lee*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Tilney*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Sir *Wm. Scawen*, Sir *Ja. Oxenden*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Sir *Baz. Dixwell*, Mr. *Vernon*, Sir *Rob. Austen*, Sir *Tho. Cock*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Hopkins*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Sir *Walt. Yonge*, Mr. *Gott*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Norfolk*, *Wilts*, *Devon*, and *York*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause, to prolong the Time for Exportation of the Goods mentioned in the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause, to dispense with the Merchants from paying any other Customs for the said Goods upon Importation, than the Half Subsidy, which is to remain by Law, after the Goods are exported.

Ditto.

A Petition of divers Linen Drapers in the City of *London*, was offered to the House, relating to the said Bill:

And the Question being put, That the Petition be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Report, touching *Dover* Harbour, *Dover* Harbour. be made upon *Saturday* Morning next.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for taking away the Duties upon Woollen Manufactures exported, be read a Second time To-morrow Morning. Woollen Manufactures, &c.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for qualifying Justices of Peace. Justices of Peace Qualification.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned, except the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Employing of the Poor, and Encouraging the Manufactures of this Kingdom, is committed. Employing the Poor.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself in . . . a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the more effectual Suppression of Piracy. Suppressing Piracy.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Jovis*, 8° die *Februarii*;

11° *Gulielmi Tertii*.

#### PRAYERS.

A PETITION of Colonel *Henry Holt*, in behalf of Captain *Thomas Holt*, Captain *John Pigott*, Captain *John Forster*, Ensign *Samuel Clark*, Ensign *Thomas Bisse*, and Ensign *John Horn*, late Officers in the Regiment of Foot commanded by him in the *West Indies*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Regiment was, on the 1st of May 1695, reduced from Thirteen Companies to Five; and the supernumerary Officers were, by his Majesty's Order, to attend the Service, and be subsisted, together with the Regiment, and preferred as Vacancies should happen: That the aforesaid Officers are all of that Reduction, who are not yet provided for; and are excluded the Benefit of Half-pay, as reduced before the 10th of September 1697; and thereby are incapable of Preferment on the Vacancies which happen, though they are *Englishmen*, have a great Arrear of Pay due, and served long in a most unhealthy Climate, and undergone greater Hardships than those who have served nearer Home: And praying the House to consider the Case of the said Officers; and that they be allowed the same Benevolence of Half-pay, as is granted to the Officers reduced since the 10th of September 1697.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council, and others, chief Inhabitants of the Borough of *King's Lynn*, in the County of *Norfolk*; and also of Weavers, Wool-combers, and others, concerned in the Woollen Manufactures of this Kingdom, on behalf of themselves, and many Hundreds of poor People, whose sole Livelihood depends thereupon; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Traders and Workers of the Woollen Manufactures of this Kingdom are greatly impoverished by the vast Quantities of *East India* wrought Silks, Stuffs, *Bengals*, and painted Calicoes, imported of late Years: And praying the Consideration of the House thereof, and Relief in the Premises. Importing wrought Silks, &c.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more

more effectual Employment of the Poor, and encouraging the Manufactures of this Kingdom, is committed.

Half-pay.

A Petition of *Blaize Gervaisot*, a French Protestant Refugee, Lieutenant of Grenadiers, in the late Regiment of Foot, commanded by Colonel *Saunderson*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner received the first Year's Half-pay; but some earnest Occasions calling him into *Flanders*, he there fell sick, and could not come over soon enough to be naturalized the last Session of Parliament; so that his Half-pay has been stopped: That the Petitioner is in the first Naturalization Bill of this Sessions; which has passed the House of Lords, and is now before this House: And praying, That his Half-pay may be continued, without which he and his Family must starve.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Robinson's Estate.

A Petition of Sir *Thomas Robinson* Baronet, and of *Wm. Williams* Esquire, his Uncle, and next Relation and Guardian, on behalf of the said Sir *Thomas Robinson*, and of *Anne* his only Sister, Infants under the Age of 21 Years, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Mother and Grandmother of the said Sir *Thomas* and *Anne*, did settle divers Lands, and, by their last Wills, did devise several Goods, and personal Estate, in the Whole, to the Value of 7,000 £, for the Portion of *Anne*; which, by reason of Sir *Tho.* Minority, cannot be raised, nor the said Lands settled, so as to prefer the said *Anne*, being Seventeen Years of Age, in Marriage, to such a convenient Match as is now proposed, without the Help of an Act of Parliament: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill to enable Sir *Thomas Robinson* to charge his Estate with 7,000 £. notwithstanding his Nonage, for his Sister's Marriage Portion; and that the Lands, and personal Estate, of the said *Anne*, may be vested in him, in lieu thereof.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Henry Parker* and Mr. *Thursby* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Duty on foreign Paper.

A Petition of the principal White Paper-makers, on behalf of themselves, and the rest concerned in that Manufacture in *England*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they are arrived to a very great Perfection in the said Art, and employ Abundance of poor Families; but the Duty upon all foreign, except French Paper, is so low, and therefore such vast Quantities imported, that tends to the Destruction of the said Manufacture in *England*: And praying, That a Duty may be laid upon foreign Paper, with a Duty in lesser Proportion on English Paper, by Distinction and Enumeration of Reams, as shall be thought meet for the Preservation, and further Encouragement, of the said Manufacture in *England*.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Hamborough Company.

A Petition of the Traders in the Woollen and Cotton Manufactures of the Stocking Trade, in the Counties of *Worcester* and *Gloucester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there being a Bill depending in the House for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company, the Petitioners say, that Experience shews, the Trade in the Woollen Manufactures does best flourish when left to its full Freedom, the many Buyers causing a current, and speedy Payment for their Commodities; the Consideration of which hath hitherto induced this House to discourage all Monopolies, as against Law, and destructive to the Rights and Liberties of the Subject: And praying, That the said Trade may remain free and unrestrained from the Interest of the *Hamborough* Company.

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Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Gentlemen, Cloth-buyers, Clothiers, and other Traders in the Woollen Manufactures, in and near the Town of *Wakefield*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners find by the Votes of this House, that a Bill is brought in for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company: That Experience doth demonstrate, that when the Trade to *Flanders* was limited to the said Company only, it was very prejudicial to the Woollen Manufacture Trade of *England* in general; but, when that Trade was left to its full Freedom, it met with far greater Encouragement, both at Home and Abroad: And praying, That the said Trade may not be again reduced to the sole Interest of the *Hamborough* Company.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Gentlemen, Merchants, Clothiers, Cloth-workers, and other considerable Dealers in the Woollen Manufactures, at *Hallifax*, and Places adjacent, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in the House for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company: But the Petitioners find, by Experience, that the Trade in the Woollen Manufactures doth meet with greater Encouragement, both at Home and Abroad, when 'tis left to its full Freedom of Commerce; and that, when it was limited to the *Hamborough* Company, that Trade was generally prejudiced thereby: And praying, That the Trade of the Woollen Manufactures may remain free and unlimited.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen, Clothiers, and others, in *Batley*, *Hicmonwick*, *Birkenshaw*, *Heaton*, and *Adwalton*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Exportation of our Woollen Manufactures was first attempted, and afterwards successfully carried on, by the good Management of the *Hamborough* Company, to the great Benefit of this Nation; but, for want of a sufficient Support of the said Company, Foreigners have gotten so great a Share of that Trade, that all English Merchants are in Danger of being excluded from the Trade to *Germany*, as they have been from *Holland* several Years; whereby our Manufactures are in Danger of being debased, and the Art of making them transplanted into foreign Countries: And praying, That an Act of Parliament may pass, for establishing and protecting the said Company in their Trade to *Germany*, under such Regulations as the House shall think fit.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen and Clothiers principally concerned in the Woollen Manufactures in *Holbeck*, *Hunslen*, *Armloy*, and *Wortley*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Exportation of our English Woollen Manufactures was begun, and successfully carried on, by the *Hamborough* Company, to the general Benefit thereof; but the Privileges of that Company have of late been very much infringed by Foreigners, upon whom so great a Part of our Woollen Trade to *Flanders* is fallen, that the said Company is in Danger of being destroyed; and, by the Weakness of Foreigners Stocks, that Trade is in Danger to be let fall by them, or of being carried into foreign Countries, where it is already begun, through their Insight to the Working of our Manufactures, and the Opportunity they have of exporting our Wool: And praying, That the said Company may be established and

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protected by Act of Parliament, in their Trade to *Germany*, upon such Terms as the House shall think meet.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough Company* be read a Second time.

*Hamborough Company.*

A Petition of divers Clothiers and others concerned in the Woollen Manufactures, in the Town of *Armsly* and *Wortley*, in the West Riding and County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Exportation of our Woollen Manufactures, by the good Management of the *Hamborough Company*, was a general Benefit to the Cloathing Trade; but, for want of a Support to the said Company, they, and all *English* Merchants, are like to be excluded from that Trade to *Germany* by Foreigners, who have got the greatest Part thereof, and who may endanger the Loss of it to this Nation, by their Insight into the Manner of working, and the Opportunity of exporting, our Wool; or, by Hardships put upon the Clothiers, debase our Manufactures: And praying, That the said Company may be established and protected in their Trade directly to *Germany*; and that the Exportation of our Wool may be effectually prevented.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough Company* be read a Second time.

*Lindsey Level.*

A Petition of Sir Robert Killigrew Knight, *Hen. Killigrew*, *Thomas Windham*, *Edward Heron*, and *Wm. Killigrew*, Esquires, in behalf of themselves and others, claiming under the Drainers of *Lindsey Level*, in the County of *Lincolne*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That in 1634, the Commissioners of Sewers, Lords, Owners, and Commoners of *Lindsey Level*, at a general Assembly, contracted with the Earl of *Lindsey* for draining the same; for which he was to have 24,000 Acres, and be put into the Possession of 14,000 Acres for his own Use, as soon as he should have drained the Lands between *Bourn* and *Kime Ea*, and to have the other 10,000 Acres when the Whole should be drained; and the Contract was decreed by the Commissioners of Sewers, confirmed by the Royal Assent, and inrolled in Chancery; and the Earl took in Participants; and, at the Expence of 80,000 *l.* so effectually drained that Part between *Bourn* and *Kime Ea*, that the Sewers decreed 14,000 Acres to the said Earl, and ascertained the same: That the Proprietors thereof built thereon several good Houses; inclosed, and plowed, and sowed, a considerable Part thereof; and planted themselves and Families there, intending to drain the remaining Part of the Level: But the Inhabitants of the neighbouring Towns, taking Advantage of the National Troubles in 1641, riotously entered on the said 14,000 Acres, and destroyed all the Buildings, Fences, and growing Crops; and have forcibly held the same in common ever since, notwithstanding many legal and amicable Endeavours have been used to regain the same: And praying, That the Petitioners, and their Participants, may have Leave to bring in a Bill for confirming the said Decrees, and their Title under them to the said 14,000 Acres, Part of the said Level.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the said Petition be rejected.

*Mansell's Estate.*

Mr. Price, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable *Edward Mansell* Esquire, to mortgage and sell the Improprate Rectories of *Llanridian* and *Penrice*, in the County of *Glamorgan*, for Payment of his Debts, and raising Portions for his younger Children; and for settling the Manor of *Henlys*, and other Lands of more Value: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Harley, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the more speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery-lane* to *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, and Places adjacent: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Saturday Morning* next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Trefusis have Leave to go into the Country, for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

An ingrossed Bill for hindering Papists from disinheriting their Protestant Heirs was read the Third time.

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel Lee, } 150.  
                                  { Sir Tho. Cook: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Clarke, } 129.  
                                  { Mr. Rudge: }

So it passed in the Affirmative.

*Resolved*, That the Debate be adjourned until *Wednesday Morning* next.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more effectual employing the Poor, and encouraging the Manufactures of this Kingdom, was committed, be made To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the quieting the Subject against all Pretences of Concealments, Incroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other defective Titles, was committed, be made upon *Monday Morning* next.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir John Franklyn and Sir Lacon William Child:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Debts of *John Cloberry* Esquire, deceased; and for raising Portions and Maintenance for his Children: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for reducing the excessive Numbers of Attornies, and such as practise as Attornies: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Call of the House be adjourned until this Day Sevensnight: And that such Members as shall not then attend, be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

A Bill for taking away the Duties upon Woollen Manufactures exported was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for taking off the Duties upon all Sorts of Grain, Bread, Biscuit, Meal, and Malt, exported.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for taking off the Duties of Aulnage, after the Time of the Expiration of the Grant thereof.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for continuing the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London*, trading to the *East Indies*, a Corporation.

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Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Cook took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Cook reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made an Amendment; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning, after the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more effectual Employment of the Poor, and encouraging the Manufactures of England, is committed.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates, and Interests, in Ireland, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garrisons; and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen; and for other necessary Occasions.

Orford, &c.  
Elections.

Ordered, That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of Orford, in the County of Suffolk; and touching the Election for the Borough of Clifton Dartmouth Hardnesse, in the County of Devon; be made upon Saturday Morning next.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Veneris, 9° die Februarii;

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Dolphin of  
Pool Ship.

A PETITION of Sir William Phippard Knight, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner bought a Dutch built Flyboat, now called the *Dolphin of Pool*, of one *Shadrack Lester*, for less than 100*l.* she being a Prize, and very rotten; and the Petitioner, to do the Carpenters and Seamen of *Pool* a Kindness, and to increase the Trade there, did rebuild the said Ship, which cost him above 1,200*l.*; but some Doubts have arisen, whether she is, by an Act for preventing Frauds, and regulating Abuses, in the Plantation Trade, prohibited to trade to or from any of his Majesty's Plantations: And praying, That the said Ship may be made free to traffick, to and from the Ports of this Kingdom, to any of his Majesty's Plantations or Colonies.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Molyncux* and Mr. *Blake* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Woollen Ma-  
nufactures.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgomasters, of the Borough of *Westbury*, in the County of *Wilts*, in behalf of themselves, and many other Clothiers, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by reason of the great Decay of the Woollen Manufacture, and the Discouragement it lies under, the Clothier is rendered incapable of employing the Poor as formerly; whose Condition is very miserable, and the Poores Rates very insupportable to the Petitioners: And praying, That the Woollen Manufactures may be encouraged, for the Benefit of the Petitioners, the Advantage of the Poor, and the Interest of the Publick.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of England; and particularly to consider of the Encouragement of the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

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The House being informed, That the Bill for the Coinage Duties of Coinage is near expiring;

And a Motion being made, for a Supply to be granted to his Majesty, for the Continuance of the said Coinage;

Resolved, That the Consideration of the said Motion be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Ordered, That Sir *Tho. Wagstaffe*, Sir *Walter Yonge*, Mr. *Freke*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Thursby*, Mr. *Rayner*, Sir *Wm. Cook*, Sir *Hen Parker*, Sir *Cha. Turner*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Henry Goff*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Duke*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better ascertaining the Tythes of Hemp and Flax is committed.

A Bill to enable *Edward Mansell* Esquire, to sell and mortgage the Improprate Rectories of *Llanridian* and *Penrice* in the County of *Glamorgan*, for Payment of his Debts, and raising Portions for his younger Children; and for settling the Manor of *Henlys*, and other Lands of more Value; was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Debts of *John Cloberry* Esquire, deceased; and for raising Portions and Maintenance for his Children; was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Gunners of the Garrison of *Portsmouth* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they are obliged to constant Attendance, and their Wages but 12*d.* a Day; yet there is near Seven Years behind of half their Pay, and they have received no Subsistence since the 2d of December past; whereby their Families are in a miserable Condition, and some of them have been actually starved for Want: And the Petitioners are told, the reason of their so far Arrears is, that Garrisons are not within the Letter of the Act for Payment of the Army: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the real Estate of *Joseph Gardner* and *Sarah* his Wife, late the Estate of *Wm. Ridges* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold, for Payment of the Debts and Legacies therein mentioned; and for applying the Residue of the Money, upon Trusts therein specified; be read To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Pierpoint* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Ascertaining the Measures for retailing Ale and Beer was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some Amendments to some of them, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Ordered, That the Commissioners of the Navy do lay before this House a yearly Account of the Deductions for Slop-cloaths, Dead Men's Cloaths, Tobacco, Chest at *Chatham*, Chaplain, and Surgeon, since Poundage was taken from the Treasurer, of the Navy, and a Salary settled in lieu thereof.

Ordered, That *Henry Shales*, *William Roberts*, and *Tho. Roberts*, Esquires, do lay before this House an Account of the Fee-farm Rents, Quit-rents, and Lease-rents, that have been granted since his Majesty's Accession to the Crown; with the Contracts themselves, and the Considerations upon which they were granted.

Resolved,



Seamen's  
Arrears.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, take into Consideration the Petitions and Report from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, relating to the Q's and R's.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Hoskins* and Sir *Robert Legard*:

Mr. Speaker,

Cowper's  
Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting Part of the Estate of *Thomas Cowper*, of the City of *Chester*, Esquire, in Trustees, for Payments of Debts: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

Bounty on  
Corn.

Also the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for taking away the Bounty Money for exporting Corn, from the 9th Day of February 1699, to the 29th Day of September 1700, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chivers* have Leave to go into the Country, for the Recovery of his Health.

Employing  
the Poor.

Sir *Richard Onslow* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more effectual Employment of the Poor, and Encouragement of the Manufactures of *England*, was committed, That they had made some Amendments to the Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Old East  
India Com-  
pany.

Mr. *Cook* reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for continuing the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London* trading to the *East Indies*, a Corporation, was committed, the Amendment made by the Committee to the said Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That  
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And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Onslow*,  
                                  { Mr. *Molineux*: } 140.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Bertie*,  
                                  { Mr. *Perry*: } 165.

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendment, be ingrossed.

Royal Assent  
to Bills.

A Message from his Majesty, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The King commands this Honourable House to attend him, immediately, in the House of Peers.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend his Majesty. And, being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That his Majesty had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to a Bill, intituled, An Act for taking away the Bounty Money for exporting Corn from the 9th Day of February 1699, to the 29th Day of September 1700:

And also to a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Thomas Noble* Gentleman to sell the undivided Third Part of the Manor of *Faxton*, in the County of *Leicester*, when he shall have settled other Lands, an intire Estate, of a greater Value, to the same Uses.

Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning

next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, State of Trade. to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and particularly to consider of the Encouragement of the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to Dec whom the Bill for making the River *Dee* navigable was Navigation. committed, be made upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Sabbati*, 10<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

*CHRISTIAN Lilly*, *Antony Fackenhoff*, *Moses Am- rant*, *William Messiner*, and *James Dayrolle*, alias *Tresoniere*, took the Oaths appointed in order to their Naturalization.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled; An Act for vesting the real Estate of *Joseph Gardner* and *Sarah* his Wife, late the Estate of *William Ridges* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold, for Payment of the Debts and Legacies therein mentioned; and for applying the Residue of the Money, upon Trusts therein specified; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of Lieutenant *Charles Hubbelthome* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That his Father, Colonel *John Hubblethome*, served in *English* Pay in *Scotland* and in *England* many Years; and was afterwards slain in a Sea Engagement; and the Petitioner, upon the late Revolution, went over into *Ireland*, with Duke *Schonberg*, and served as a Lieutenant in the Earl of *Meath's* Regiment; where, in the first general Attack against *Lymrick*, the Petitioner was wounded through the Face and Tongue, and thought mortal; under which he lay in great Pain several Months, speechless; and, before he was thoroughly recovered, marched with the said Regiment into *Flanders*, and served there until he lost his Speech again, and contracted such an Illness, that he was forced to desire Leave to come over for *England* for Relief; and, in his Absence, another was put in his Post; and his Sickness being of a long Duration, occasioned his not applying sooner to the House: And praying, That, in Consideration of his Father's long and faithful Services, and the Petitioner's own Services, Sufferings, and Disabilities, he may be admitted into Half-pay, for his necessary Support, he having never had any Allowance.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Molineux*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Ship *Dolphin* of *Poole* to trade as a free Ship: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Wednesday* next, in a full House.

An ingrossed Bill for the more effectual Employing the Poor, and Encouraging the Manufactures of this Kingdom, was read the Third time: the Poor.

And an Amendment was proposed to be made, Press 1. L. 1. by inserting "but," before "under:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House, and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*,

**Resolved**, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the more effectual employing the Poor, by encouraging the Woollen Manufactures of this Kingdom.

**Ordered**, That Sir Richard Onslow do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Judicature  
Relief of  
Officers and  
Soldiers.

Mr. Carter reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for erecting a Judicature to relieve poor Officers and Soldiers, touching their Pay detained from them, and other Injuries complained of, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table.

**Ordered**, That the said Report be taken into Consideration upon this Day Sevensnight, in a full House.

Dover  
Harbour.

**Ordered**, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition relating to Dover Harbour was referred, be taken into Consideration upon Monday next, at Eleven a Clock.

Bone-lace.

**Ordered**, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Clothiers of Salisbury, relating to the Bill for prohibiting the Importation of Bone-lace, was referred, be made upon Wednesday next, in a full House.

Leave of  
Absence.

**Ordered**, That Admiral Hobson have Leave to go into the Country, for the Recovery of his Health.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Meredith and Sir Richard Holford:

Mr. Speaker,

Vandertyd's  
Nat.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing Francis Vandertyd and Agnet Vandermerch, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

Holman's  
Indentures.

Also the Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to supply the Loss of certain Indentures of Lease and Release, heretofore made by Philip Holman Esquire, since deceased, to George Holman his Son, now also deceased: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Orford  
Election.

Sir Rowland Gwyn reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the Borough of Orford, in the County of Suffolk; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Upon the Petition of Sir Edmund Bacon Baronet, and Wm. Johnson Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of Sir Thomas Felton Baronet, and Sir Charles Hedges Knight, to serve for the said Borough:

That the 1st Question between the Petitioners and Sitting Members, and determined by the Committee, was upon the Right of Election.

That the Petitioners Counsel insisted, That the Right of Election was in the Mayor, Portmen, capital Burgesses, and Freemen, of the said Borough.

That the Number of the Portmen is Eight; the Number of the capital Burgesses is 12.

That the Sitting Members Counsel insisted, That the Right of Election was in the Mayor, Portmen, and capital Burgesses only.

That the Petitioners Counsel, to make out the Right, as by them alleged, produced several Returns of Persons to serve in Parliament; viz.

2d and 3d Phil. and Mary, the Indenture is made between the Sheriff of Suffolk, on the one Part; and Ten 12 burgensium villæ de Orford, et communitat' ejusdem villæ, ex altera parte; and says, quod prædict' burgenses

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et communitas elegerunt; and concludes, quod prædict' 12 burgens' sigilla sua apposuerunt.

28 Eliz. Major, burgenses, et communitas villæ et burgi de Orford elegerunt; and concludes, Major, burgenses, et communitas villæ et burgi prædict', sigillum suum commune apponi fecerunt.

15 Car. 1. Major, communitas, et burgenses, qui proclamationi, in pleno com' fact' interfuer', elegerunt: The Return is under the Common Seal.

16 Car. 1. The Return is made in the same Manner. The Petitioners Counsel also produced a paper, which begins thus. . . Orford electio burgensium pro Parlamento, ibidem, 22 Octobris 1640.

Willielmus Platers miles, et Carolus le Grosse miles, nominati pro burgensibus.

Then follows the Names of the Mayor, Eight Portmen, and of several capital Burgesses, and others, to the Number of Forty-one; and concludes,

Prædict' burgenses, sicut præfert', nominati, electi sunt, nullo contradicente.

And it appeared by the Evidence, That the said Paper was Mr. Alexander's Hand, who was Town Clerk of Orford at that time the said Poll was mentioned to be taken. And

Mr. Nathanael Gooding said, That he found the said Paper, about 14 Years since, among Mr. Copping's Papers, with the Town Seal; which Mr. Copping had been Mayor of Orford: That he had been a Member of the Corporation for Twenty Years and upwards, and never knew Freemen denied to vote; and that he had acted as Town Clerk in the Year 1680, when there happened an Election, at which Sir John Duke and Mr. Glemham stood Candidates: That he then called over the capital Burgesses and Freemen, and there was no Objection to the Freemen when called over; but they did not sign the Indenture of Return; yet owned there was no other Candidates nor Dispute about it: That at the Election soon after the Revolution, Sir Adam Felton being like to be out-voted, and he making Interest for him, sent for Simon Bredstry and Richard Townsend, antient Freemen, whom he kept private, in case there should be Occasion for them; and that Tho. and Joseph Hastings were the Occasion of sending for them; but there being no Occasion of them, he acknowledged they did not vote: That at the Election in 1695, the Freemen, as well as the capital Burgesses, were called over before the Election.

Simon Bredstry said, That he was at the Election in 1695, at which time he gave his Vote for Mr. Jeremy Copping, that lived in London; and that about Seven or Eight Years ago, Mr. Hamond of Burford sent for him to give his Vote; and accordingly he did go to Orford; but did not vote, there being no Occasion for him.

Mr. Palmer, who had been Portman 15 or 16 Years, and John Marrett, who said he had been a Freeman ever since the Year 1680, said, They were present at the Election in 1680; and that the free Burgesses were called over at that Election, and held up their Hands, as well as the rest.

Mr. John Hook said, He had been at Three Elections since the Year 1680, when all the Freemen were called over, and voted.

Mr. John Stephens, who had been Freeman of Orford 40 Years, said, that he remembered, that the free Burgesses had joined with the capital Burgesses in several Elections; but he could name only One Election, which was that of the Earl of Disert and Mr. Glemham, when they were not opposed; nor did he ever know any Election controverted.

That the Sitting Members Counsel, by way of Answer as to the Point of Right, produced the Charter of the said Corporation primo Jacobi, being an Insuperimus of a Charter 21 Eliz.

And also several Indentures of Return.

In Queen Elizabeth's Charter there are several Insuperimus's as high as Henry the 3d of other Charters; and by the Charter of Henry the 3d, They are called by the Name

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of *probi homines*; and in the following Charters, down to Queen *Eliz.* they are called *burgenses*; and by her Charters they are constituted a Mayor, Eight Portmen, and Twelve capital Burgesses; and afterwards are these Words,—*Et quod de cætero imperpetuum in futurum prædict' octo portmanni villæ sive burgi illius, et duodecim capitales Burgenses villæ illius et successores sui, portmanni, et capitales burgenses prædict' sunt et erunt, et habeantur et reputabuntur sola communitas ejusdem villæ, ac ipsos communitat' burgi de Orford prædict' facimus, creamus, constituimus, et declaramus, per præsentis.*

That the Returns were as follow:

26 *Eliz.* Major et communitas ex eorum communi assensu elegerunt—Major et communitas sigillum suum commune burgi prædict' apposuerunt.

30 *Eliz.* in the same Form.

39 *Eliz.* in the same Form.

43 *Eliz.* differs only in the Conclusion; which is, *tam vic' quam major, sigillum officior' suorum apposuerunt.*

21 *Jacobi*, The Election was in the same Form; but concludes, *Major, communitas, sigilla separalia officior' suorum apposuerunt.*

1<sup>st</sup> *Caroli*. The Election was in the same Form; concludes, *Major et communitas, sigilla separalia officiorum suorum apposuerunt.*

13 *Car.* 2<sup>di</sup>, The Election was in the same Form; *Major et communitas sigilla officiorum suorum apposuerunt.*

31 *Car.* 2<sup>di</sup>, The Indenture between the Sheriff of the one Part, and the Mayor and 10 other Persons, named *Majorem partem communitatis ejusdem villæ et burgi*—*Major et communitas prædict' ex eorum assensu et consensu elegerunt*—*Major et communitas sigillum suum commune apposuerunt.*

33<sup>o</sup> *Car.* Major et communitas, qui proclamationi interfuerint, elegerunt—*Major et communitas sigill' commune villæ sive burgi prædict' apposuerunt.*

7<sup>o</sup> *Willielmi 3ii*. The Indenture between the Sheriff, of the one Part; and the Mayor, et communitatem ejusdem burgi, of the other Part.—*Major et communitas elegerunt, tam vic', quam major, et communitas sigilla officiorum suorum apposuerunt.*

9 *Willielmi 3ii*, in the same Form.

10 *Willielmi 3ii*, in the same Form.

That it appeared by the Town Book, that *John Marret* was made free the Second October 1682.

That there was also read to the Committee, out of a Book of the Corporation, an Entry made at a Court held by the Mayor, Five Portmen, and Five capital Burgesses, on the 5th of February 1680, in these Words: *Memorandum, quod eodem die, &c. major et communitas burgi prædict' assemblat' et congregat' existen' in camera hujus burgi, eligend' burgenses pro parlamento domini regis prox' futur' tenend', ex eor' unanimi assensu et consensu nominaver' Johannem Duke bar' et Thomam Glemham ar', fore burgenses pro hoc burgo, ad parliament' dicti domini regis apud Oxon' prox' tenend'.*

The Sitting Members Counsel called several Witnesses; viz.

*William Porter*: Who said, He had been Town Clerk ever since the Year 1682, and remembered all the Elections since that Time; and positively asserted, that the Right of Election was in the Mayor, Portmen, and capital Burgesses only, and that the Freemen did not use to be called over at Elections; and that he had looked over the ancient Books, and did not find any Footsteps of Freemen's Voting, nor never knew them demand to be polled till the last Election; nor was there in his Time any Poll taken till last Election.

*Mr. Thomas Hastings* said, That he had been Portman about 46 Years; and that he had been present at all Elections since that Time; and that the Mayor, Portmen, and capital Burgesses, were the Electors; that the Freemen at such Elections were not called over, nor demanded to be polled; and if they did, they were denied; and that *Simon Bredstrey* did not vote at *Mr. Copping's* Election, nor was sent for by him; nor do Freemen vote for Mayor or Chamberlains.

*Daniel Whitby* said, He was born in *Orford*; and that

he could remember for 40 Years very well; and that he never knew any Persons elect but Mayor, Portmen, and 12 capital Burgesses; nor have the Freemen offered themselves, or been called over at such Elections; as the Mayor, Portmen, and capital Burgesses, are; and that he never knew *Simon Bredstrey* vote, or offer to vote at any Election.

*Tho. Thurston*, said, He had known *Orford* 20 Years, and has been at several Elections; and that the Right was in the Mayor, Portmen, and capital Burgesses; and he never knew Freemen called over, or offer to vote.

*William Robinson* said, That he was a Portman, and had been a Freeman of *Orford* 19 Years; and that the Right of Election is in the Mayor, Portmen, and capital Burgesses only; and that himself was a Freeman Nine Years, and never voted, nor never knew any Freeman offer to vote.

*John Brady* said, That he was a capital Burgess and had known *Orford* 47 Years being born and bred there, and that the Right was in the Mayor, Portmen, and capital Burgesses; and that he never knew Freemen offer to vote till the last Election.

*John Tyes* said, That he is a capital Burgess, and had known *Orford* 20 Years; and that the Right was in the Mayor, Portmen, and capital Burgesses; and that he never knew Freemen vote, nor called over.

*Mr. Edmund Foster*, a Neighbour to *Orford*, said, That he had known Two or Three Elections; and that the Method was, that the Town Clerk, before the Election, called over the Mayor, Portmen, and capital Burgesses, and dotted such of them as did appear; and that, at the Election in 1693, he dotted with *Mr. Porter* the Town Clerk; and that the Freemen are not called over: However, he acknowledged, that some of the Freemen would be in the Room, and upon the Naming of the Candidates would hallow and make a Noise at Elections.

*Sir Charles Gandy* said, That he had known *Orford* 20 Years, and had been a capital Burgess of *Orford*, and had endeavoured to satisfy himself in the Constitution of the Town; and that they did assure him the Right of Election was in the Mayor, Portmen, and capital Burgesses: That he was present once when the Lord *Disert* was elected, and there was a great Confluence of People; but they were not distinguished by Freemen: However, he acknowledged, for refusing the Office of Mayor, he had been discontinued for some Years.

That the Committee, upon the Evidence, came to this Resolution:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Right of electing Burgesses to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *Orford*, in the County of *Suffolk*, is in the Mayor, Portmen, capital Burgesses, and Freemen of the said Borough.

That the Right being so settled by the Opinion of the Committee, the Petitioners Counsel proceeded to shew, that the Petitioners had the Majority of Votes: And called

*Mr. Nath. Gooding*: Who produced a Poll, which, he said, he took by the Mayor *Stevens'* Order in the Town Chamber; and he said, all that were so polled were Portmen, capital Burgesses, or Freemen.

Upon the said Poll, the Numbers were thus;

For Sir Edmund Bacon,	33.
For Mr. Johnson,	34.

That there were for Sir Edmund Bacon Eight Portmen, Nine capital Burgesses, and 16 Freemen; and for Mr. Johnson, the same Number of Portmen, and capital Burgesses, and 17 Freemen.

That there being Two Persons acting as Mayor at *Orford*, namely, *Mr. Stevens* and *Mr. John Syred*; *Sir Tho. Felton*, and *Sir Cha. Hedges* were proposed by *Mr. Syred*, and *Sir Edmund Bacon* and *Mr. Johnson* by *Mr. Stevens*, That *Mr. Porter* drew a Piece of Paper out of his Pocket, which, he said, was the Precept, but he did not read it: That *Mr. Porter* began the Poll for *Mr. Syred*, and he the said *Mr. Gooding* began to take a Poll for *Mr. Stephens*, and *Mr. Porter* forbid him to go on: That he had not polled above Four or Five Men, but he desisted, Mr.

Mr. Porter promising to be just: But afterwards, the said Mr. Porter refusing to poll the Freemen, he went on with his Poll, and polled, for the Petitioners, the Numbers above-mentioned.

Being asked by the Sitting Members Counsel, if he did not begin his Poll after the Return was made by Mr. Syred; he said he did not; but he took the Poll in the Town Chamber, and called them all over twice.

That there are none polled for the Sitting Members in this Poll.

It appeared to the Committee, That there have been Two Mayors in this Corporation ever since the Year 1693, and two Sets of Officers, one Set acting under one Mayor, and the other acting under the other Mayor; and thereupon there arose a Question, which of those were legal Freemen, who were made Freemen since this Dispute about the Mayor; the Determining of which depended on the Legality of the Mayor.

And, as to that, it appeared, That on the 13th of August 1693, there was a Court held by the Mayor, which occasioned this Difference in the Town; some being of Opinion this Court was not duly summoned nor held; and consequently, that the Three capital Burgesses elected at that Court were not duly elected.

By the Evidence of Mr. Nathanael Gooding and Mr. Tho. Palmer, it appeared, That there were present at that Court the Mayor, Mr. Nath. Gooding, Mr. Palmer, and the Two Hastings; and that the first Three being the Majority of that Court, were for filling up the Vacancies of capital Burgesses; and accordingly they elected Mr. Glemham, Mr. Bence, and Mr. Hook; and Joseph Kemp the Serjeant proved, That he had given the usual Notice of the Sitting of the Court, though Mr. Hastings, being examined for the Sitting Members, said, the Court was held by Surprise, and they did not come in till the Three capital Burgesses were elected.

Upon this Difference, the Two Hastings' being Clavers, and One of the Keys of the Chest where the Charter and Town-writings were kept being lost, they broke open the Chest, and took out the Charter and Writings, and set up a distinct Interest; so that the then Mayor was forced to have a new Book to enter the Proceedings of his Court; and, on Monday before Michaelmas, these divided Interests chose Two Mayors; and this Town have continued to have Two Mayors ever since, each having a Mace and Officers.

There have been, upon these Disorders, several Proceedings at Law; and there was produced to the Committee a Copy of a Record of an Information against the said Rich. Gooding, Nath. Gooding, and Tho. Palmer, for holding the said Court on the said 13th of April, without Notice to the rest of the Portmen, and electing and swearing the said Mr. Glemham, Mr. Bence, and Mr. Hook, capital Burgesses; as also for holding another Court on the 24th of May then next following, and putting out Henry Parker and Joseph Hastings, Two Portmen; and swearing of Mr. Hook, and Mr. Saunders, into their room; whereupon there was a Verdict, upon the Tryal at Bar, for the Defendants: And

Mr. Betts said, That the Tryal lasted Three Hours; and the Verdict was, upon full Evidence, to the Satisfaction of the Court.

There was also produced the Copy of a Record of another Information, which was brought against Thomas Hastings and Joseph Hastings, for breaking open the Chest, and taking away the Charter and Evidences of the Corporation; upon which there is a Verdict against the Defendants: And

Mr. Betts said, That it was tried before the Lord Chief Justice Holt, at Ipswich; and, upon full Evidence, they were convicted, and a Capias was sued out, and they were brought into the King's Bench Court, and Counsel moved, That the Charters and Writings might be restored; and the Court said they should be restored: But afterwards, Mr. Attorney General entered a *Noli prosequi*; upon which they moved to be brought into Court again, which was granted, and they were afterwards discharged.

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That the Committee thereupon were of Opinion, and directed, That the Counsel should be confined to bring Evidence of such Persons only, as were made Portmen, capital Burgesses, or Freemen, for the Borough of Orford, before Michaelmas 1693.

That the Counsel being acquainted therewith, the Sitting Members Counsel delivered in their Poll taken by Mr. Porter, under the Mayor Syred; upon which the Numbers were thus,

For Sir Thomas Felton,	17.
For Sir Charles Hedges,	16.
For Sir Edmund Bacon,	3.
For Mr. Johnson,	4.

Of which the Counsel for the Petitioners did admit Eight who voted for Sir Tho. Felton, and Seven who voted for Sir Cha. Hedges, to be made free before Michaelmas 1693.

But the Sitting Members Counsel did not think . . . further to controvert the Numbers; but put the Cause upon this, That not one of the Petitioners Voters, not set down by Mr. Porter, demanded to be polled; and for that they called several Witnesses:

Mr. Porter, Mr. Edmund Foster, Mr. Tho. Hastings, Mr. Tho. Thurston:

The Substance of whose Evidence was, That, about Nine a Clock in the Morning of the Election Day, they went to the Hall; and the Portmen and capital Burgesses were called over, and acquainted with the Occasion of their Meeting; and that though Sir Tho. Felton and Sir Cha. Hedges had the Majority in Appearance, yet a Poll was demanded, and had; on which, the Numbers were, as in the Poll by Mr. Porter delivered in; and that no Person did particularly demand to be polled, but who are there set down; and that Mr. Stephens, without any Pretence of being Mayor, polled as a capital Burgess at Mr. Syred's Poll; and the Earl of Dysert, Sir John Duke, and Mr. Palmer, polled at the same Poll for the Petitioners: That, after the Poll was over, they made Proclamation, and the Common Seal was put to the Indenture in open Court, Mr. Stephens being present; and then they adjourned the Court: Yet it was acknowledged, that there were Freemen present; and the Earl of Dysert, and Mr. Johnson, did demand, That the said Freemen should be polled.

That the Petitioners Counsel offered to call other Witnesses as to the Point of taking the Poll; but, that Matter being examined to before, the Committee did not think fit to have any more Witnesses as to that.

And that the Committee, upon the whole Matter, came to these Resolutions:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir Thomas Felton Baronet, is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Orford, in the County of Suffolk.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir Charles Hedges Knight, is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of Orford.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir Edmund Bacon Baronet, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament, for the said Borough of Orford.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That William Johnson Esquire, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of Orford.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Right of electing Burgesses to serve in Parliament for the Borough of Orford, in the County of Suffolk, is in the Mayor, Portmen, capital Burgesses, and Freemen, of the said Borough;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers



Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir John Boles, } 172.  
 { Mr. Tredenham : }

Tellers for the Noes, { Lord Wm. Powlet, } 171.  
 { Mr. Molineux : }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That Candles be brought in.

And they were so.

Then a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Resolution be re-committed.

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Onslow, } 149.  
 { Mr. Harvey : }

Tellers for the Noes, { Colonel Granville, } 168.  
 { Mr. Tredenham : }

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Sir Thomas Felton Baronet, is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Orford, in the County of Suffolk;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Third, Fourth, and Fifth Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the Crown do attend this House upon Monday Morning, to amend the Return for the Borough of Orford, in the County of Suffolk, by rasing out the Names of Sir Thomas Felton Baronet, and Sir Charles Hedges Knight; and inserting, instead thereof, the Names of Sir Edmund Bacon Baronet, and William Johnson Esquire.

Dartmouth Election.

*Ordered*, That the Report, touching the Election for the Borough of Clifton Dartmouth Hardnesse, be made upon Monday Morning next.

Employing the Poor.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Thursday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the better Relieving and Employing the Poor of this Kingdom.

Woollen Manufactures, &c.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Friday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for taking off the Duties upon the Woollen Manufactures exported.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till Monday Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Lunæ, 12<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;*

11<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertij.

Baldwyn's Estate.

AN ingrossed Bill for the better enabling Anne Baldwyn Widow, to make Sale of a Capital Messuage and Lands called Wiltons, and other Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in the County of Bucks, devised by her late Husband's Will, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the better enabling Anne Baldwyn Widow, to sell a Capital Messuage and Lands called Wiltons, and other Lands in the County of Bucks, devised by her Husband's Will.

*Ordered*, That the Lord Chenie do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Lacy's Estate.

An ingrossed Bill for the Sale of several Western Manors and Lands, the Estate of Arthur Lacy Esquire, for discharging a Mortgage thereupon; and for laying out the Surplus-money in the Purchase of Demesne Lands, to be settled to the same Uses; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Sale of several Western Manors and Lands, the Estate of Arthur Lacy Esquire, for discharging

a Mortgage thereupon; and for laying out the Surplus-money in the Purchase of Demesne Lands, to be settled to the same Uses.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

The Clerk of the Crown attended, according to Order; and amended the Return for the Borough of Orford, in the County of Suffolk. Orford Return amended.

A Petition of Richard Childe Esquire, an Infant, younger Son, Executor, and Devisee, of and in the last Will and Testament of Sir Josiah Childe, late of Wansted, in the County of Essex, Baronet, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Sir Josiah did, upon the Marriage of his eldest Son with the Daughter of Sir Thomas Cook, enter into several Covenants for settling divers Lands and Hereditaments to several Uses: That the Petitioner is willing to perform his Father's said Covenants; but is at present incapable so to do, by reason of his Infancy: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for vesting divers Lands and Hereditaments in Trustees, for the better Performance of the said Covenants, and for supplying some Defects in the Marriage Articles then made. Childe's Estate.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir Tho. Willoughby do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Mr. Lowndes, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of all Grants made since his Majesty's Accession to the Crown, which are not already laid before this House: And the Title thereof was read: And the Account is as followeth; viz. Grants from the Crown.

April 1689. A Grant unto Richard Lord Coote, and his Assigns, of the Moiety of the clear Profits which shall accrue to his Majesty, during the last Eight Years of a Term of 14 Years, granted by the late King James to Sir Rob. Clark and others, of the Benefit of certain Inventions for the Extracting of metalline Bodies, particularly Gold, Silver, Copper, Lead, and Tin, reserving 13s. 4d. per Annum Rent.

A Grant unto the Lord Bishop of St. Asaph, his Majesty's high Almoner, of all and singular the Goods and Chattels, Debts, &c. of all *Felo's de se*, and of Deodands, which are already, or shall become, forfeited to his Majesty within this Kingdom.

May 1689. A Grant unto Wm. Earl of Portland, his Heirs and Assigns for ever, of Theobals House, and the late Park, or inclosed Ground, called Theobals Park, with the Appurtenances, in the County of Hertford, with all Arrears of Rent, and Profits of the Premises, since the Death of Christopher, late Earl of Albemarle; which Premises, for want of Heirs Male of the Body of the said Duke, fell to the Crown.

A Grant and Demise, unto Tho. Preston Esquire, of the Site of the late dissolved Monastery, of Farneis, and other Lands, in the County of Lancaster, for a further Term of 21 Years, from Lady-day 1689, at 200l. per Annum Rent, being before leased to him in the 35th Year of King Charles the Second, for Seven Years, at 400l. per Annum Rent.

June 1689. A Grant, unto Samuel Clark Esquire, of 300l. per Annum Pension out of the Revenue of the Customs, during Pleasure.

A Grant unto Geo. Tuthill, of Exon, Merchant, of 100l. per Annum, out of the Customs of that Port, from Lady-day 1689, during Pleasure.

A Grant of 50l. per Annum, for the Benefit of King Charles the First Hospital, and 50l. per Annum, for the Poor of St. Margaret's Westminster, out of the Exchequer from Christmas 1688, during Pleasure.

A like Grant of 100l. a Year, for the Poor of St. Martin's.

July 1689. A Grant unto Christ. Vane Esquire, and the Heirs Male of his Body, of the Office of Master Forester and Chief Warden of all his Majesty's Forests and Chaces, within the Lordships of Bernards Castle, in the County of

of *Durham*; and of chief Keeper of the Forest of *Teasdale*, and Chase of *Marwood*, in the same County.

August 1689. A Grant unto *Thomas Hyde* and *Eliz.* his Wife, and the Survivor of them, of 50*l.* per Annum Pension, out of the Customs in the Port of *Pool*, during Pleasure.

September 1689. A Grant unto *Derick Stork*, his Majesty's Body Coachman, of all Customs, Subsidies, and Impositions, arisen, or to arise, since the 13th of February 1689, upon the Importation of any Coach Horses, Mares, or Geldings, during Pleasure.

A Grant unto *Charles* Earl of *Monmouth*, of the Office of Water Bailiff of the River *Severne*, and Creeks and Harbours therein, with the Jettage and Flottage thereof, Right of Fishing, and all Fines and Amerciaments and other Profits thereto belonging; to hold for 99 Years from the 9th of August 1689, at 10*l.* per Annum Rent.

February 1689. A Grant unto the Bishop of *Chester*, for the Use of the Four itinerant Preachers in *Lancashire*, of 200*l.* per Annum during Pleasure, charged on the Rent of 200*l.* per Annum, reserved to his Majesty upon the Lease of the Site of the late dissolved Monastery of *Farness*, granted to *Mr. Preston*.

A Grant unto *William* Lord Bishop of *St. Asaph*, his Majesty's Almoner, of several forfeited Recognizances, amounting to 4,400*l.* entered into *Jasper Grant* and others, and lately estreated into the Exchequer; to hold for the same Uses and Purposes, for which Goods and Chattels of Felons are granted to the said Lord Almoner.

A Grant unto *Walter Whitfeild*, and others, of One-third of a Tenth Part belonging to his Majesty, of all Ships, Money, Vessels, and other Things, as have been taken from the Mogul, and his Nabob of *Decca*, of which the *East India* Company, and others concerned, were to give a full Account.

A Grant unto *John Cook*, of several Debts and Judgments recovered by, and belonging to, *Geo. Rodney*, late of *Lindhurst*, in the County of *Southampton*, Esquire, the said *Rodney* being outlawed at the Suit of the said *Mr. Cook*.

A Grant unto *Henry* Lord *Delamere*, of several Lands and Hereditaments in the Counties of *Monmouth* and *Hereford*, of the yearly Value of 459*l.* with the several Sums of 300*l.* and 10*l.* all found by Inquisition to be settled upon popish and superstitious Uses; *habend'* the Money without Account, and such Part of the Lands and Premises which are Fee-simple, or held for any Term of Years to endure for 31 Years and more, for the Term of 31 Years from the making of this Grant; and to hold such other Parts, which are held for Life or Lives, or determinable upon the Death of any Person or Persons without Issue, for the Term of 31 Years, if such Interests respectively shall so long continue; and to hold such other Parts of the Lands and Premises as are held for any Term less than 31 Years, during the Continuance of such Terms; paying 5*l.* per Annum into the Exchequer.

March 1689. A Grant to *George Watson* Esquire, of a certain Space or Parcel of Land called the Sea Valley or Beach, and all Buildings thereupon, in the County of *Kent*, touching which an Inquisition was lately found, and returned into the Court of Exchequer; *habend'* for 61 Years, at 6*s.* 8*d.* per Annum Rent, with a Clause for the Lease to cease for so much of the Premises, as shall not be recovered in Seven Years time.

April 1690. A Grant or Demise unto *Richard* Earl of *Ranelagh*, of a Piece of Ground and the Mansion-house thereon built, with the Appurtenances, in the Tenure of the said Earl, and lying near the Royal Hospital at *Chelsey*, for the Term of 61 Years, at 15*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.* per Annum, payable for the Use of the said Hospital.

May 1690. A Grant unto *Arthur* Earl of *Torrington*, and his Heirs, of 10,000 Acres, or thereabouts, in *Peterborough* or *Bedford* Level, to take Effect immediately after the Death of the late Queen *Mary*, Consort of the late King *James*, or other sooner Determination of the Estate of her Trustees therein, in case the Grant to them be valid in Law; but if the same be not valid, then to hold,

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immediately from the making of this Grant, at 13*s.* 4*d.* per Annum Rent.

Grants from the Crown.

A Grant unto the Lord *William Pawlet*, of the Revenues and Profits of the Green-wax of the Exchequer; *habend'* for 41 Years, at 500*l.* per Annum Rent, payable into the Exchequer; with a Proviso, That if the said Revenues should make more than 3,000*l.* per Annum, the Lessee is to render  $\frac{1}{4}$ th Parts of the Overplus to the Crown.

A Grant to her Royal Highness the Princess *Anne* of *Denmark*, of 20,000*l.* per Annum, out of the Revenue of Excise, during her Life; with a Limitation of 8,000*l.* Part thereof, after her Decease, to the Prince of *Denmark*, for his Life, and the remaining 12,000*l.* per Annum in Trust, for the Issue of the said Princess; and after the Death of the Prince and Princess, the Whole to go to the said Issue, during the Life of his Majesty.

A Grant unto Sir *John Elwes*, his Heirs and Assigns, of 14 Messuages, with their Appurtenances, in *Queen-street*, in the City of *London*, late the Estate of *Wm. Harcourt* alias *Harrison*, attainted of High Treason, and all Arrearages of Rent due for the same, rendering 6*s.* 8*d.* per Annum.

A Grant unto *Henry* Duke of *Grafton*, his Heirs and Assigns, of the West Wing, and Part of the East Wing, of the Mansion-house called *Berkshire* House, alias *Cleveland* House, and several Pieces and Parcels of Ground thereunto adjoining, and the Stables and other Buildings thereupon erected, with their Appurtenances, reserving the Rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* payable at *Michaelmas* yearly.

A Grant unto *Charles* Earl of *Monmouth*, and his Heirs, of the Manor of *Dantsey*, and Hundred of *Chippenham*, and Premises to them belonging, in the County of *Wilts*; and also all the forfeited Estate, late of Sir *John Danvers*; to take Effect after the Death of the Queen Consort of the late King *James*, if the Grant made of the Premises, in Trust for her, be valid; and if the same be not valid, to hold immediately from the making of this Grant, at 300*l.* per Annum Rent.

A Grant unto *Sam. Richardson*, of *London*, Goldsmith, of 208*l.* 10*s.* assigned to him by *John Hind* and *John Toplady*; which was levied upon the Estates of *John* and *Thomas Temple*, in the County of *Dexon*, in Aid of the said *Hind* and *Toplady*, to whom the said *Temples* were indebted.

July 1690. A Grant unto Sir *Steph. Thompson* Knight, of all Sums of Money due to his Majesty, upon Bonds entered into by *Eliz. Marshall*, for Performance of certain Covenants, so far as the same shall concern her Estate; but not to molest the Sureties, whom his Majesty is pleased to discharge.

August 1690. A Grant unto *John* Earl of *Clare*, of so many Trees to be felled in *Sherwood* Forest, not fit for the Navy, as may raise 1,500*l.* towards building his House at *Haughton*, and making a Park there.

October 1690. A Grant unto *Robert Nott* Esquire, and *George Knight* Merchant, of Part of the extended Estate of *Thomas Price*, of *London*, Goldsmith; being Persons nominated by *Arnold Brown*, to whom the said *Price* was indebted; for to hold such Estate and Interest as his Majesty had therein, by reason of the said Extents.

December 1690. A Grant to Sir *Richard Standish* Baronet and others, in Trust for the Vicar of *Leland* for the Time being, and in Augmentation of the said Vicarage, of a Messuage called *Leland-hall*, with the Appurtenances, in the County of *Lancaster*, formerly the Inheritance of *Robert Charnock*, and settled to superstitious Uses.

A Grant unto *Alexander Rosier*, and his Heirs, of Seven Messuages, with their Appurtenances, in *Kinaston's Alley* and *Bedfordbury*, in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*; which were the Possessions and Inheritance of *Annie Burlace*, deceased, and devised to superstitious Uses; at 6*s.* 8*d.* per Annum Rent.

A Grant unto Sir *Tho. Wilbraham*, his Heirs and Assigns, of the Reversion of \* the Crown, of the Lordship and Manors of *Longdondate* and *Mottram*, with their Appurtenances, in the County of *Chester*, under the yearly Rents formerly

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\* "In" in the original Paper.

Grants from  
the Crown.

formerly reserved for the same, after the Determination of the Estate Tail therein, granted by the late Queen *Mary*, to *Richard Wilbraham* Esquire, and the Heirs Male of his Body.

January 1690. A Grant unto *John Penneck* Gentleman, of all Tin Mines, within the Manor of *Ryalton*, and Hundred of *Petrockshire*, in the County of *Cornwall*; to hold the same for the Term of 19 Years and an Half, to commence from the Expiration of a Term of 31 Years thereof, granted by the late King *Charles* the Second, to *Sidny Godolphin* Esquire, now Lord *Godolphin*, rendering One Tenth Part of what shall be recovered, clear of all Charges.

A Grant unto *John Penneck* Gentleman, of the Manor of *Ryalton*, and Hundred of *Petrockshire*, in the County of *Cornwall*, with a reserved Rent of 120*l.* per Annum, payable out of the same; to hold for Ninety-nine Years from the Date of this Grant, to be concurrent with the several Terms or Interests of the now Queen Dowager, and the late Queen *Mary*, Consort of the late King *James*, therein, at the Rent of 120*l.* per Annum, payable when the Grantee, his Executors or Assigns, shall be intitled to receive the Rents and Profits of the Premises.

May 1691. A Grant unto *Thomas Marquis of Carmarthen*, of the yearly Rent or Sum of 3,500*l.* payable out of the Revenue of the Post Office, for the Term of 21 Years, from *Christmas* 1690.

June 1691. A Grant unto *Edward Thompson*, of the Office of registering all Servants that shall go voluntarily, or be sent, to his Majesty's Plantations in *America*, for 21 Years, with all Fees thereunto belonging.

July 1691. A Grant or Confirmation to the Earl of *Bath*, of 5,000*l.* per Annum, granted him by Letters Patents of King *Charles* the Second, with Direction for paying one Moiety thereof out of the Revenue of the Post Office, and the other Moiety out of the First-fruits and Tenths, during his Life: This is in Consideration of a Surrender of the Sum of 20,000*l.* Arrears owing thereupon.

August 1691. A Grant to *William Gulston*, and his Heirs, of the Power of laying Water-pipes in several Parishes within the Borough of *Southwark*, and Liberties thereof, for the Benefit of the Inhabitants there, from Waterworks in *Southwark*, belonging to the said *Gulston*.

September 1691. A Grant to *Francis Strut*, and his Heirs, of a Messuage and Lands in the Parish of *Ashborne*, in the County of *Derby*, then of the improved Value of 120*l.* per Annum, and all Arrearages and mean Profits of the Premises, at the Rent of 50*l.* per Annum, payable to the Vicar of *Newark* for the Time being, in Augmentation of the said Vicarage; the same Messuages and Lands being the Estate of *Tho. Eyre* Esquire, who was seised thereof, in Trust, for superstitious Uses.

A Grant to *Thomas Neal* Esquire, in Consideration of 500*l.* paid into the Exchequer, of a Moiety of a Fifth Part, reserved to the Crown, upon a Grant before made to *Philip Ford* Merchant, of all the Wrecks to be taken up before *Michaelmas* 1695, on or near the *English Coast*, from the North Foreland to the Westward of the *Lizard*, including the Seas and Banks near the Island of *Scilly*; as likewise a Grant of all Wrecks to be taken up by the said Mr. *Neale*, or his Assigns, between *Michaelmas* 1695, and *Michaelmas* 1702, in the Places aforesaid; reserving a Tenth Part to his Majesty, and a Fifth Part to the Lord *Godolphin*; as likewise a Grant of all Wrecks to be taken up or recovered by him from *Languard Fort* to the North Foreland, and from the Land's End to the Bar of *Barnstable*, at or before *Michaelmas* 1702; reserving one Tenth Part to his Majesty, clear of Charges.

A Grant to the said *Thomas Neal*, of all Minerals, Mines, Ores, and Metals, belonging to his Majesty, within the Colony of *Virginia*, for 31 Years; reserving a Tenth to his Majesty.

October 1691. A Grant to *John* late Archbishop of *Canterbury*, of the Temporalities of that Bishoprick, accruing between *St. Andrew* the Apostle last exclusive, and the 11th July 1691.

A Grant to the Dean and Chapter of *Worcester*, of all Deodands, Felons Goods, and Goods of Felons themselves, happening in several Manors in the County of *Gloucester*, and Manor of *Overberrow*, in the County of *Hereford*, with a Release of what hath been heretofore received by them, or their Predecessors.

November 1691. A Grant unto *John Stileman*, at the Request of the Earl of *Oxford*, of the Estate, both real and personal, of *John Cook*, Gentleman, attainted of Felony and Murder.

A Grant to *Simon* Lord Bishop of *Ely*, of the Temporalities of that Bishoprick, between the Feast of *St. Andrew* the Apostle 1690, and the 17th July 1691.

A Grant unto Sir *Steph. Fox*, of a Messuage, in his Possession, in *Whitehall*, for 42 Years, at 6*s.* 8*d.* per Annum Rent, with a Clause of Re-assumption, on Payment of 2,000*l.*

December 1691. A Grant to *John Dutton Colt*, Collector of *Bristol*, of 1,254*l.* 1*s.* 9*d.* out of the Composition Money to be paid by *Samuel Packer*, and others, on Account of Non-payment of the Customs for certain Parcels of Tobacco, as they ought to have done: This in Consideration of *Colt's* good Services performed therein.

A Grant to *Richard* Lord Bishop of *Bath and Wells*, of the Temporalities of that Bishoprick, between the Feast of *St. Andrew* 1690, and his Lordship's Grant of Restitution to the same.

A Grant to *Thomas Neal* Esquire, of the Power of establishing a Post Office in his Majesty's Islands and Colonies in *America*, for 21 Years, at 6*s.* 8*d.* per Annum Rent.

February 1691. An Authority under the Privy Seal, to the Surveyor of the Woods, to raise 20,000*l.* in Seven Years, by the Sale of scrubbed Beach, Birch, Holly, Hazle, and Orle, in *Dean Forest*, in the County of *Gloucester*; that is to say, 2,000*l.* in one Year, and 3,000*l.* a Year for Six Years afterwards; Part thereof to be laid out in Repairs of several Buildings, according to an Estimate therein contained, and 500*l.* to be paid to *Daniel Osborne*, towards rebuilding the Town of *Headong* in *Yorkshire*, consumed by Fire; and 2,500*l.* to be paid to *Henry Guy* Esquire, for secret Services; and the Remainder into the Exchequer.

A Grant to *Richard* Lord Bishop of *Peterborough*, of the Temporalities of that Bishoprick, between the Feast of *St. Andrew* the Apostle 1690, and his Lordship's Grant of Restitution to the same.

A Grant to *Richard Opie*, of the Sum of 201*l.* 13*s.* 10½*d.* due to his Majesty from *Tho. Tannat*, late Collector of the Customs in the Port of *Poole*.

March 1691. A Grant unto *John* Lord Bishop of *Norwich*, of the Temporalities of that Bishoprick, between the Feast of *St. Andrew* the Apostle 1690, and his Lordship's Grant of Restitution to the same.

A Discharge to *Robert* Earl of *Sunderland*, of 7,964 Ounces of gilt and white Plate, delivered to him out of the Jewel Office.

A Grant to Sir *Thomas Chidley*, of 906 Acres of derelict Lands, lying in, and adjoining to, the Towns of *Southcave*, *Elecker*, &c. in the County of *York*; *habend'* for 99 Years, at 50*l.* per Annum Rent, from *Lady-day* 1692: This in Consideration of a Release to the Crown of a Debt due to Sir *Henry Chichly*, Lieutenant Governor of *Virginia* in the Reign of King *Charles* the Second.

A Grant to Captain *Christopher Billop*, of 900*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* due from the Estate of *Richard Parry*, to answer a *Super* on his Account, as Receiver of the Rents of the Lordship of *Diffincloyd*, and Town of *Ruthin*, in the County of *Denbigh*, in the time of King *Charles* the Second.

A Grant to *Tho. Offley*, of one Moiety of what he shall recover of his Majesty's Tenths of Silver, and other Riches, taken up from several *Spanish Wrecks* in *America*, by Persons of his Majesty's Plantations, that have not been answered or accounted for by them to the Crown.

A Grant unto *Patrick Cunningham*, *James Innes*, and Five others, of all their personal Estate, forfeited

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to his Majesty, by their being convicted of High Treason.

April 1692. A Grant unto *Tho. Cheek*, and others, at the Nomination of *Letitia Russell*, Executrix, and late Wife, of *Tho. Cheek*, deceased, late Governor of the *Tower of London*, of 600 *l.* per Annum, out of the yearly Rent of 1,500 *l.* payable into the Exchequer in *Ireland* by *Catharine* Countess of *Dorchester*, for certain Quit-rents in that Kingdom, to the Value of 5,000 *l.* per Annum, granted to her by the late King *James*, for 99 Years, if she should so long live; *habend'* to the said *Cheek* for 31 Years from Lady-day 1692.

May 1692. A Grant and Confirmation to Sir *Rich. Newdigate* Baronet, his Heirs and Assigns, of the Manor of *Astley*, with its Appurtenances, in the County of *Warwick*, which were heretofore granted, by King *Philip* and Queen *Mary*, to *Edward Chamberlaine* and *Eliz.* his Wife, and the Heirs and Assigns of the said *Edward*, and came to Sir *Rich. Newdigate*, Father of the aforesaid Sir *Richard*, by Conveyance and Assurance in the Law, at a Pepper-corn Rent, if demanded.

A Grant and Demise unto *Edward* Viscount *Villers*, of the Site of the late Monastery of *Burnham*, with its Appurtenances, in the County of *Bucks*, for 99 Years, from the Expiration of a Lease thereof from King *Charles* the 2d. to *Wm. Samwell* Esquire, for 31 Years from Michaelmas 1674, under the yearly Rent of 11 *l.* 18 *s.* 1 *d.*

A like Grant to the said Viscount *Villers*, of the Manor of *West Ashford*, in the County of *Devon*, with its Appurtenances; and also the Advowson of all Churches and Chapels there, for 99 Years, from the Expiration of a Lease granted by King *Charles* the Second to Sir *Amias Pollard*, for 25 Years, from the 1 of April 1676, under the yearly Rent of 11 *l.* 18 *s.* 3 *d.*

June 1692. A Grant unto *William Harbord* Esquire, his Heirs and Assigns, of the Office of chief Ranger of *St. James's Park*, and the Herbage and Pannage thereof, and the Lops, Tops, and Crops, of all Trees, and of all dead and windfall Trees, with the Salary of 60 *l.* per Annum, during the Lives of him, and *Catharine* his Wife, and the Survivor of them.

A Grant, in Fee, unto *James Ward* Esquire, at the Nomination of *Tho. Neal*, and in Consideration of 791 *l.* paid into the Exchequer, of *Marsland Close*, and the Houses and Lands thereunto belonging, in the Parish of *St. Giles's in the Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, at 3 *l.* per Annum Rent.

A Grant unto *Thomas Neal* Esquire, of all Wrecks to be taken by him or his Agents, upon or after the 26th June 1694, and before the 26th June 1701, within 20 Leagues of *Bermudas*.

A Grant to the City of *London*, of the Fines and Amerciaments upon Persons convicted for Offences committed on the River of *Thames*, and Waters of *Medway*, in the Courts of Conservancy for the said Rivers and Waters, and removed by *Certiorari* out of those Courts into the King's Bench.

A Grant to *Tho. Neal* Esquire, of all Wrecks which shall be taken up by him, or his Agents, at any time within Seven Years from the Date of this Grant, between *Carthagera* and *Jamaica*, and between either of those Places and *Havanna*; reserving a Fifth Part to his Majesty.

July 1692. A Grant unto the said *Tho. Neal*, of all Treasure-trove to be recovered by him, or his Agents, between the Date of this Grant, and the 26 June 1701, in the Island called *Ireland*, near the Island of *Bermudas*; reserving a Fifth Part to his Majesty.

A Grant unto *Henry* Bishop of *London*, in Trust for the Lady Viscountess *Purbeck*, of a Parcel of Plate, to the Value of 500 *l.* which were the Goods of *Robert Fielding* Esquire, outlawed for Treason.

A Grant to *Thomas Neal* Esquire, of all Mines Royal, and all Mines of Lead, Tin, Copper, and all Minerals, and Veins of Salt-petre, within every of His Majesty's Plantations and Colonies in *America*, except as therein excepted; *habend'* for 51 Years; rendering to his Majesty one Sixth Part of all Gold and Silver, and-delivering

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one Sixth Part of Salt-petre into the Office of the Ordnance; and rendering one Tenth Part of the clear Profits of all Lead, and other the Premises.

September 1692. A Grant unto *Martin Peckover*, of 119 *l.* levied upon the Estate of *Edward Pearce*, of *Whitlingem*, in the County of *Norfolk*, who was outlawed at the Suit of the said *Peckover*.

A Grant unto *Henry Acourt*, and others, in Consideration of 2,100 *l.* paid into the Exchequer, of the Use and Exercise of the *Royal Oak* Lottery, and all other Lotteries, for 11 Years from Michaelmas 1692, under the yearly Rent of 4,200 *l.* for the first Ten Years and an Half, and a Pepper-corn for the last Half Year.

October 1692. A Grant unto *Christopher Fowler* and others, in Consideration of 500 *l.* paid into the Exchequer, of the Tenth Part, reserved to his Majesty, of the Wrecks to be taken up by Mr. *Neal*, or his Agents, within 20 Leagues of *Bermudas*, before 26 June 1694; and a Moiety of a Fifth Part, reserved to his Majesty, of the Wrecks to be taken up in the Parts before-mentioned, after the 24th June 1694, and before the 24 June 1701, pursuant to the Letters Patents in that behalf.

A Grant unto *Thomas Neal*, of a Moiety of a Fifth Part, and all the Tenth Part, reserved to his Majesty, upon certain Grants to *Francis Smarfoot*, of the Benefit of new Inventions for working in the Sea to take up Wrecks by.

A Grant and Release unto the said *Thom. Neal*, of the Moiety of a Fifth Part, reserved to his Majesty, upon the Grant of Treasure-trove, in the Island called *Ireland*, near *Bermudas*, and of the whole Fifth Part, of all Wrecks, reserved upon the Grant of Wrecks, to be taken up between *Carthagera* and *Jamaica*.

December 1692. A Grant and Confirmation unto *Samuel Reynolds* Esquire, and his Heirs, of the Manor of *Cowherne*, in the County of *Hereford*, with its Appurtenances, escheated to the Crown, under the same Rents, if any, as were payable before the time of the Escheat.

A Grant unto *Richard Reed*, his Heirs and Assigns, of the Messuage, Lands, and Estate, late of *Richard Reed*, of *Gobberhill*, in the County of *Gloucester*, which was found, by Inquisition, to be settled to superstitious Uses, and of the Arrears and mean Profits of the same, under the Rent of Four Nobles per Annum.

January 1692. A Grant unto *Tho.* Bishop of *Lincolne*, and his Heirs, of a Parcel of Ground, Tabernacle, or Building, near the Parish of *St. James, Westminster*; and a Demise unto the said Bishop, of a Parcel of Land, adjoining to the said Premises, with all Buildings erected, or to be erected, thereupon, for 99 Years, from 14 February 1722, at 20 *s.* per Annum Rent.

A Grant unto *Philip Howard* Esquire, of a Pension of 400 *l.* per Annum, out of the Rent of the Lotteries, for 11 Years from Michaelmas 1692.

February 1692. A Grant to *Francis Nicholson*, and others; and their Heirs, Trustees for the Benefit of the College to be erected in *Virginia*, of 1,925 *l.* 14 *s.* 10 *d.* of his Majesty's Quit-rents there; and of the One Penny per Pound of Tobacco, put on board of any Vessel, within the Colonies of *Virginia* and *Maryland*, belonging to the Crown; and of the Office of Surveyor General of the said Colony; and also of 20,000 Acres of Land in the said Colony; the whole to be applied towards the Erecting, Finishing, and Endowing the said College; rendering to the Crown Two Copies of *Latin Verses*, by the President and Masters thereof.

A Grant unto *Edward Wigg* Gentleman, of several Sums of Money, amounting to 1,964 *l.* 14 *s.* owing to his Majesty, upon the Account of several Receivers of the Revenue in *North Wales*.

A Grant to *Andrew Corbet* Esquire, of the Power of making Copper Farthings for the Term of Nine Years, from Lady-day 1693, under the yearly Rent of 1,000 *l.*

March 1692. A Grant unto *John Hambden* and *Thomas Covell*, in Trust for the Duchess of *Grafton*, of *Haverling-Park*, and other Lands and Hereditaments in the County of *Essex*, under the yearly Rent of 20 *s.* with a Release to the said *John Hambden* and *Tho. Covell*, for



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for the Benefit of the said Duchess, of 149*l.* per Annum, Part of 150*l.* per Annum, which will come to the Crown, after the Death of the Queen Dowager.

A Grant to the Duke of *Linster*, of all Wrecks, not being already granted, as shall be recovered by him, or his Agents, within 20 Years from the Date, in *America*, between the Latitudes of 12 Degrees South, and 40 Degrees North.

A Discharge to the Heirs and Executors of *Roger Vaughan*, of 673*l.* 16*s.* which he stood indebted to the Crown, as Receiver of the Hearth-money in the Time of King *Charles* the Second.

A Grant to *Jacob Leister*, of all the Estate, real and personal, of *Jacob Leister*, late of the City of *New York* in *America*, his Father, forfeited by his Conviction of High Treason; with a like Grant unto *Mary Milburn*, of the Estate of her late Husband, forfeited for the same Cause; and likewise a Grant and Restitution unto *Gerard Beckman*, and Five others, of the same City, of their Estates, real and personal, forfeited as aforesaid.

March 1692. A Demise unto *Lewis Medwell* Gentleman, of a Piece of Ground and the Buildings thereupon, lately Part of a Field near the Pest-house Field, in *St. James's* Parish, *Westminster*; *habend'* for 99 Years, from the 14 February 1722, at 13*s.* 4*d.* Rent: This was intended for his Encouragement, towards erecting an Academy upon Part of the Premises.

A Demise unto *Richard Powys* and *John Taylour* Gentlemen, at the Nomination of *Wm. Lowndes* Esquire, of a Piece of Ground near *Soho*, with a narrow Slip leading thereto; a Parcel of Ground, called *Great Spittlefields*, near *Chelsey*; and another Parcel, called *Little Spittlefields*, near *Knightsbridge*; and of several Buildings upon Part of the Premises; all which had been demised by King *Charles* the Second to Sir *Wm. Pultney*, for several long Terms in being, which were purchased by the said Mr. *Lowndes*; *habend'* for 99 Years, at several Rents, amounting to 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* per Annum.

A Grant and Assignment to *Robert Maning* Esquire, of a Mortgage made by *Charles* Earl of *Manchester*, of the Park, Farm, or inclosed Ground, called *Achill Park*, in the County of *Essex*, for 1,500*l.* paid to him by *John Ashton*, forfeited to his Majesty by the Attainder of the said *Ashton*.

A Grant and Assignment unto *Ralph Cook* Esquire, of 10,602*l.* 6*s.* 9*d.* and 4,203*l.* 17*s.* due to his Majesty, from *Tho. Price*, of *London*, Goldsmith, and of all the Estate of the said *Price*, extended, and seized towards Satisfaction of the said Debts; except his Share in the Insurance Office, that was lately granted to *Robert Noll* and *Geo. White*; to hold for such Terms and Interests, and under such Rents, as the same were held at the time of the Seizure.

A Grant unto *Tho. Neal* and *John Tissack*, of all Wrecks, to be recovered within Seven Years after the Date, within 30 Leagues of the Isle of *Sables* in *America*, betwixt 40 and 50 Degrees of Northern Latitude.

A Grant unto *Ferdinando Hastings* Esquire, of 12 several Messuages, with their Appurtenances, erected on Part of the Land or Close called *Pellmell* Close, in the Parish of *St. James*, *Westminster*; *habend'* for 51 Years and an Half, from Michaelmas 1740, at 5*s.* per Annum Rent.

A Grant unto *Thomas Payne* Esquire, and his Heirs, of the Manor or Lordship of *Holme-Cultram*, in the County of *Cumberland*, with the Demesne Lands and Hereditaments thereunto belonging; being now Part of the Queen Dowager's Jointure; at the Rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* per Annum.

April 1693. An Authority under the Privy Seal, for raising of 5,000*l.* by the Sale of decayed Trees, not fit for the Navy, in the Forest of *Whittlewood* and *Salsey*, to be paid to the Duchess of *Grafton*, in Part of 12,000*l.* directed by the Privy Seals of King *Charles* the Second, and the late King *James*, to be raised, and paid to the Earl of *Arlington*, to whom the said Duchess was sole Heiress.

A Grant unto *Seymour Tredenham* Esquire, in Consideration of 1,000*l.* paid into the Exchequer, of the Duty of Post-groats in the County of *Cornwall*, with the Arrears and mean Profits of the same, due since 30 April 1688, and not answered into the Exchequer; *habend'* for 31 Years from Christmas 1692, under the Yearly Rent of 10*l.*

A Demise unto *Richard Savage* Esquire, commonly called Lord *Colchester*, of a Piece of Ground called *Woolwood*, in the County of *Essex*, for 99 Years from the Date, at 6*s.* 8*d.* per Annum.

A Grant and Assignment unto *Henry Herbert* Esquire, of 2,181*l.* 4*s.* 6½*d.* owing to his Majesty from *Revass Floyd*, on his Account of the Revenue of *Wales*, whereof he was Receiver; as also of 324*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* depending on Mr. *Nash's* Account, as Receiver of those Revenues for the Year ending at Michaelmas 1688, and all other Arrears appearing to be due from the said *Nash*, to the 15 March 1692; with an Assignment of a proportionable Part of a yearly Sum payable to *Gilbert Whitehall*, and his Heirs, out of the Excise, for the Sum of 824*l.* 4*s.* owing by the said *Whitehall* to the said *Floyd*, of which the said *Whitehall* was thereupon to be discharged.

An Authority under the Privy Seal, for paying 6,000*l.* unto Sir *John Guise*, out of the 20,000*l.* to be raised by Wood Sales within the Forest of *Dean*, in Six Years from the Date, at the Rate of 1,000*l.* a Year: This in Consideration of his faithful Services.

A Grant and Assignment unto *James Herbert* Esquire, of the several Parsonages and Rectories of *Milton* and *Harston*, in the County of *Kent*, and all Houses, Lands, Tythes, and other Profits thereunto belonging, forfeited by the Attainder of Sir *Edward Scott*, with the Arrears and mean Profits thereof.

May 1693. A Demise unto *Geo. Sayer* and *John Sayer* Esquires, of the Lordship and Manor of *Muckland*, with its Appurtenances, in the County of *Lancaster*; and of *Leewood Park*, and other Lands and Hereditaments, in the said County, for the Term of 99 Years, from the Death of the Queen Dowager, Part of whose Jointure the said Premises now are, concurrent with the Terms granted, or to be granted by the said Queen, or her Trustees, therein, and under the yearly Rent of 10*s.*

June 1693. A Grant and Demise unto \* *Richard Hamilton* Widow, of Three Messuages, with their Appurtenances, late in the Tenure of *John Bonneck*; and several other Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, lying near *Hide Park*, in the County of *Middlesex*; *habend'* for 99 Years from the Expiration of a Term of 31 Years, heretofore granted to *Tho.* late Lord *Culpepper*, under the year yearly Rent of 10*s.*

A Grant unto Sir *Cornwall Bradshaw*, and others, of all the Estate, real and personal, of *John Hynde*, late of *London*, Goldsmith, extended, and seized for several Debts and Sums of Money due to the Crown; *habend'* for the several Terms and Estates, and under such Rents as were payable to the Crown at the time of the Seizure thereof, with all Arrearages and mean Profits of the Premises, to their only Use and Behoof.

August 1693. A Grant unto *Joseph Hornby*, his Heirs, Executors, and Assigns, of all the Estate, both real and personal, of *Edmund Robinson*, of *Barkand*, in the County of *York*, Clerk, and of *Benjamin* his Son, forfeited to his Majesty by their Conviction and Attainder of High Treason.

A Grant unto the Bishops of *Litchfield* and *Coventry*, and *St. Asaph*, their Heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assigns, of certain Rectories, with their Appurtenances, in the County of *Montgomery*, and several Tythes and Glebe Lands in the said Rectories, all of the clear yearly Value of 400*l.* found, and seized into his Majesty's Hands, as Parcel of the Estate of the Marquis of *Powys*, forfeited for Treason, for the Residue of a Term of 21 Years, upon a Lease thereof in being, from the Dean and Chapter of *Christ Church* in *Oxon*, upon the several Trusts following; *viz.* first to discharge the reserved Rents payable

\* It is "*Elizabeth*" in the Original Paper.

payable for the same; then to reimburse the said Bishop of *Coventry* 380 *l.*; next, the Charges, as well of this Grant, as the Management of the Trusts therein; and then to distribute the Residue of the Profits in Augmentation of several Vicarages.

Sept. 1693. A Grant unto *Eliz. Bennet*, of several Goods of *Tho. Jones*, to the Value of 58 *l.* 11 *s.* 3 *d.* seized into his Majesty's Hands by the then Sheriffs of *London*, upon a *Capias utlagatum*, issued against the said *Jones*, at the Suit of the said *Bennet*.

October 1693. A Remise and Release unto Sir *Samuel Dashwood*, Sir *Stephen Evance*, Sir *Henry Furnesse*, *Francis Dashwood*, and *Tho. Pennyman*, of his Majesty's Moiety, Right, and Title, of and in a Seizure of Raw Silks, appraised at 14,718 *l.* 17 *s.* and forfeited by Reason of unlawful Importation; and of and in the several Ships, wherein the same was imported, and the Furniture, Ammunition, and Provisions thereunto belonging.

A Release and Discharge to the Governor and Company of Merchants trading to the *East Indies*, in Consideration of 16,638 *l.* 16 *s.* 11 *d.* paid into the Exchequer; 1,361 *l.* 13 *s.* 1 *d.* by them paid into the Court of Exchequer, in Part of Prizes; making together 18,000 *l.* of the Moiety reserved to the Crown, upon their former Charters, of the Goods of Persons trading without Licence, within the Limits of their said Charters, before *Lady* . . . 1695, which have been seized and condemned by them; as also a Release of the Tenth Part, reserved to his Majesty, of all Ships and Goods taken as Prize, in Prosecution of the War against the Great Mogul; and of and from 7,940 *l.* 1 *s.* 9 *d.* decreed in the Court of Exchequer, to be paid by the said Company to his Majesty; with a Grant of his Majesty's Tenth of all such Prize Goods, as yet are remaining in the Hands of the Commanders of their Ships, and have not been applied to the Use of the Company.

December 1693. A Grant unto Sir *John Hoskins* Knight, his Heirs and Assigns for ever, of all those Islands called *Ascension*, *Trinidad*, and *Martin Vaz*, situate between the 18th and 22d Degrees of Southern Latitude, and between the 18 and 25 Degrees of Longitude West from the Meridian of *London*; and also the Office of Sheriff within the same Islands; yielding to his Majesty the Fourth Part of the Profits of all Mines of Gold and Silver, wrought in the said Islands, on the 5th Day of November yearly; of which Islands, the said Sir *John* was also appointed chief Governor, during his Majesty's Pleasure.

January 1693. A Grant unto *Mishac Smith*, the then Vicar of *Hendon*, and his Successors, for ever, of a Pension of 100 *l.* per Annum out of the Rents and Profits of certain Rectories and Tythes there, being Part of the Estate of the Marquis of *Powys*, and forfeited to his Majesty by his Attainder, with an immediate Gift of 100 *l.* to the said *Mishac* out of the same.

A Grant unto Sir *Algernoon May*, and also to *Wm. Petit* Esquire, now Keeper of the Records in the *Tower*, of the yearly Sum of 350 *l.* to each of them during Pleasure, payable out of the First Fruits, and annual Tenths of the Clergy, with a Grant of an additional Salary of 250 *l.* per Annum more to the said *Petit*, in case he survives the said Sir *Algernoon*.

February 1693. A Grant unto *Craven Howard*, and others, of the Use of all such Waters as run down the Common-sewers within the Bills of Mortality, except as therein is excepted; *habend'* for 99 Years, at Five Marks per Annum Rent.

A Grant unto *Maynard Duke of Schonberg* and *Leinster*, and the Heirs Male of his Body, in Consideration of his Father's Services and Losses, of 4,000 *l.* per Annum, payable out of the Revenue of the Post Office, until the Sum of 100,000 *l.* intended by his Majesty, to be given to his said Father, for making Provision for himself and Family, shall be paid.

*Memorandum*: An Account of this was before given to the House.

A Grant or Demise unto *Wm. Blathwait* Esquire, in Consideration of his good Services, and of 571 *l.* 1 *s.* 11 *d.* paid into the Exchequer, of the Manor of *Egham*, with

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its Appurtenances, and other Lands, Demesnes, Rents and Hereditaments, in the County of *Surry*; *habend'* for 99 Years, from the Death of the Queen Dowager, Part of whose Jointure the said Premises are, concurrent with such Terms as are, or shall be, granted therein by her said Majesty, or her Trustees, under the yearly Rent of 3 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.*

A Grant or Demise unto *Geo. Booth* Esquire, in Consideration of 950 *l.* paid into the Exchequer, of the Manor of *Westham* in the County of *Essex*, with its Appurtenances, together with *Hampfreth* Wood, Parcel of the said Manor, and the Ground and Soil of the same; *habend'* for 99 Years, from the Death of the Queen Dowager, Part of whose Jointure the said Premises are, concurrent with such Terms as are, or shall be granted therein by her said Majesty, or her Trustees, under the yearly Rent of 180 *l.* 15 *s.* 5 *d.*

A Demise unto *Charles* Earl of *Carlisle*, Sir *George Fletcher*, and *Tho. Benlowes* junior, Esquire, of all the Estate found, by Inquisition, to be forfeited to his Majesty, in the Counties of *Cumberland* and *York*, by the Attainder of Sir *Richard Grahme* of High Treason; *habend'* for 99 Years, from *Lady-day*, 1693, if the said Sir *Richard* shall so long live, under the yearly Rent of 500 *l.* for the Premises in *Cumberland*, and 300 *l.* for those in *York*; with a Clause to determine an Annuity of 600 *l.* payable by virtue of his Majesty's Letters of Privy Seal, out of the said Estate, to the Wife of the said Sir *Richard*; and Covenants on the Lessees Part, to pay 400 *l.* per Annum, to *Susan* Relict of *Reginald Grahme* Esquire, deceased, and 20 *l.* per Annum to Sir *Henry Goodrick* and *Tho. Leister* Esquire.

March 1693. A Grant unto *Charles Frasier* and *Charles Bridgman* Esquires, in Trust for *Barbara* Viscountess *Fitzharding*, in Consideration of a Fine of 1,000 *l.* to be paid into the Exchequer, of the Fourth Part of the Lordship and Barony of *Kendall*, in the County of *Westmorland*, and several Lands, Rents and Hereditaments, in the Counties of *Westmorland* and *York*; *habend'* for 99 Years, from the Death of the Queen Dowager, Part of whose Jointure the Premises are, concurrent with such Terms as are, or shall be, granted therein by her said Majesty, or her Trustees, under the yearly Rent of 10 *s.*

A Grant unto *Anthony Meek* Gentleman, in Trust for *Tho. Felton* Esquire, of the Manors, Parks, and Lands, of *Summersham*, *Hedley*, *Fenton*, *Bluntsham*, *Colne*, and *Eriih*, in the County of *Huntington*, for the Term of 43 Years; which was granted to *Denzin* Lord *Hollis*, from the Determination of a certain Term of 99 Years, of which there is about 25 Years yet to come, in Trust for the Queen Dowager for her Life; and after, in Trust for the Crown.

April 1694. A Demise unto *Edward Dazell* Citizen and Stationer of *London*, at the Nomination of Sir *Tho. Clarges* and *Henry Guy*, Esquire, of several Messuages and Hereditaments, in the Parishes of *St. James* and *St. Martin's in the Fields*; *habend'* for 29 Years, from the 14th of February 1693, under the yearly Rent of 7 *l.* 16 *s.* 10 *d.* and 5 *l.*: And this contains a further Lease to the said Sir *Thomas Clarges*, and *Henry Guy* Esquire, in Consideration of 2,498 *l.* 6 *s.* 10 *d.* to be paid into the Exchequer, of several Pieces and Parcels of Land, Part of the Premises before demised to *Edward Dazel*; *habend'* for 99 Years from 14th February 1722, under the yearly Rents of 12 *l.* 6 *s.* 10 *d.*; which said several Terms of 29 and 99 Years are to be subject to certain Trusts appointed by the last Will and Testament of Sir *William Pultney*.

A Grant unto Sir *Thomas Clargis* and *Henry Guy*, their Heirs and Assigns for ever, in Consideration of 2,498 *l.* 0 *s.* 6 *d.* to be paid into the Exchequer, of several Parcels of Ground, Messuages, Houses, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in the Parishes of *St. Martins in the Fields* and *St. James's*, except the several Rents reserved upon the foregoing Leases of Parcel of the Premises; with a Power for them to convey Parcel of the Premises to Trustees, for a Burying-place to the said Parish of *St. James's*, and to stand seized of the Whole, except the

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Burying-place, in Trust for the Uses appointed by Sir *William Poultney's* Will, under the yearly Rent of 6 s. 8 d.

A Grant unto *Henry* Viscount *Sidney*, and *John Glover*, of a Moiety of what they shall recover from the *Hudson's Bay* Company, of his Majesty's Share, or reserved Parts, of all Prizes taken by them, and of all Fines and Forfeitures from Persons trafficking within the Limits of their Charters, that have been concealed, and not yet answered to his Majesty: This in Consideration of their Care and Pains in and about the same.

May 1694. A Release and Discharge unto Sir *Ja. Shaen*, and others, Farmers of the Revenue in *Ireland*, for Seven Years from *Christmas* 1675, of 33,660 l. 3 s. 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> d. due to his Majesty on the Account of the said Farm; which was declared in *England*, 29th October 1691, in Consideration that so much as shall countervail the said Debt is to be deducted and discounted, to make good several Allowances craved by them and not hitherto given.

A Grant unto *Henry D. Nassau* Seigneur *D. Averquer*, his Heirs and Assigns, of the yearly Rent of 800 l. out of the Revenue of the Crown in *South Wales*, and the yearly Rent of 1,200 l. out of the Revenue of *North Wales*.

June 1694. A Grant unto Sir *Joseph Herne*, and others, of the Licence and Authority of making Farthings and Halfpence of Copper for Seven Years from *Midsummer* 1694; paying therefore to the Comptroller, to be appointed by his Majesty, 200 l. per Annum, and changing all the Tin Farthings and Halfpence.

August 1694. A Grant unto *Charles* Duke of *St. Albans*, and *Diana* his Wife, of an Annuity of 2,000 l. per Annum, payable as followeth; viz. 500 l. out of the Revenues of *Wales*, 500 l. out of the Profits of the Alienation Office, and 1,000 l. more out of the First Fruits and Tenths; *habend'* from *Midsummer* 1694, for their Lives, and the Life of the longer Liver of them; with a Grant of 500 l. payable immediately out of the said Revenues.

A Release and Discharge unto the Heirs, Executors, and Administrators of *John Bence* and Sir *Alexander Bence*, deceased, of and from all Debts, Actions, Seizures, Process, and Demand whatsoever, for, or upon Account of the said Sir *Alexander Bence* and *John Bence*, being Farmers of the Revenues in *Ireland*.

October 1694. A Grant unto the Lord Keeper of the Great Seal, Lord President of the Council, and several others, their Heirs and Assigns for ever, of a Parcel of Ground at *Greenwich*; and the capital Messuage, called the Palace of *Greenwich*, standing thereupon; and the other Edifices and Buildings there; for the Benefit of the Hospital, to be erected at *Greenwich*.

January 1694. A Grant unto *George* Lord *Carteret*, and his Heirs, of Licence to convey several Fees and Manors, with their Appurtenances, in the Isle of *Jerzey*, in several Parts and Proportions, unto *George Bodenall*, *Philip Durell*, and others, and their respective Assigns, to be holden of his Majesty, under the same Tenures, Rents, and Services, as the same are held before this Grant; and under a Restraint not to alienate the Premises, or any Part thereof, without Licence.

A Discharge unto *Geo. Booth* Esquire, of the yearly Rent of 180 l. 15 s. 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> d. reserved upon a Grant lately made to him, of the Manor of *Westham*, in the County of *Essex*.

A Grant unto *Geo. Bradbury* and *Geo. Lowin* Gentlemen, their Heirs and Assigns for ever, of the Reversion expectant upon a Term of 99 Years, to commence from *Lady-day* 1695, granted by King *Charles* the Second to *Cha. Earl of Middlesex*, of several Tenements and Ground thereunto belonging in the *Strand*, at the yearly Rent of 24 l. 10 s. 4 d. with a Grant of the said yearly Rent; and a Reservation of 13 s. 4 d. only per Annum for the same.

February 1694. A Grant unto *Martha Jackson*, of 4,524 l. 16 s. 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> d. Part of 10,164 l. 16 s. 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> d. received upon the Duties for Barillo's, Smalls, and Pot-ashes, from the 5th of November 1688, to *Christmas* 1694, which were alleged to belong to his Majesty, notwithstanding

the Grant of the said Duties made by King *Charles* the Second, to to the Earl of *Kinoul*, and the Title of the said *Jackson*, derived from thence; the other Part being deducted for a reserved Rent of 940 l. per Annum, which had been satisfied to the said Earl's Executors.

A Grant to the Treasurer of the Hospital to be founded at *Greenwich* of 2,000 l. per Annum, out of the Exchequer, towards the building, perfecting, and endowing the said Hospital, with a Salary of 200 l. per Annum to the said Treasurer, to be retained out of the Money, which he shall receive for the Benefit of the said Hospital.

March 1694. A Grant and Demise unto *Richard* Earl of *Rivers*, of the Lordship and Manor of *Higham Ferrers*, with its Appurtenances, in the County of *Northampton*, for 99 Years, from the Death of the Queen Dowager, concurrent with such Terms as her said Majesty, or her Trustees, grant therein, and under the yearly Rent of 40 s.

A Grant unto *Henry* Earl of *Romney*, and *John Glover*, of a Moiety of what they shall recover, of his Majesty's Part of all Prizes, since his Accession to the Crown, carried into any of his Colonies or Plantations in *America*, or into any Ports or Places in *Italy*, and there concealed.

A Grant unto *Mary Calf*, her Heirs and Assigns, in Consideration of 150 l. paid into the Exchequer, of 250 Cart-loads of Charcoal, and 30 Cords of Wood, which were reserved upon former Grants, of the Forest of *St. Leonard's*, in the County of *Sussex*, from the Crown, for the Use of Iron-mills there, under the yearly Rent of 36 l. 13 s. 4 d. with which Rent the said *Mary Calf* doth charge the said Forest for ever.

April 1695. A Release and Discharge to the Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, of Sir *Thomas Duppa*, and the late Bishop of *Exon*, of 655 l. 11 s. 8 d. due to his Majesty for Tenths, within the Diocese of *Exon*, whereof Sir *Thomas* was Receiver for the Year ended at *Christmas* 1687: This in Consideration of several Assignments, made by the Executors of the said Sir *Thomas*, to his Majesty.

A Grant and Demise unto *Tho. Preston* Esquire, in Consideration of 300 l. paid into the Exchequer, of the Site of the late dissolved Monastery of *Farnesse Com' Lancaster*, for a further Term of 15 Years, after the Expiration... the 21 Years lately granted to him, and under the same Rents and Covenants, as in the former Grant.

A Grant unto *Richard Nevell* and *George Davenant*, at the Nomination of *Ralph Grey* Esquire, in Consideration of 750 l. paid into the Exchequer, of the Light-houses and Lights at *Wintertonnesse* and *Orfordnesse*; *habend'* for 60 Years from the Date, if a Grant of the same Premises, heretofore made to Sir *Edward Turner* Knight, was then void; and if not void, then to hold for 35 Years, from the 15th of April 1720, under the yearly Rent of 20 l.

A Grant unto the Earl of *Romney*, and Sir *Charles Lodowick Cotterell*, their Heirs and Assigns for ever, of the Reversion of a Rent Charge of 550 l. out of the Manors of *Hilton* and *Bradbury*, Com' *Durham*, whereof the Lady *Ester Eland* was seised, after the Death of the Queen Dowager, and late Marquis of *Hallifax*, which is accrued to his Majesty by the said Lady *Eland's* being an Alien born, and dying without Heirs, and making no legal Disposition of the same.

A Grant and Assignment unto *Tho. Wilkins*, to his own Use, without Account, of several Sums of Money owing to his Majesty from *Richard Beer*, and many other Persons concerned as Collectors of the Customs.

A Grant unto *Eliz. Tillotson*, Widow of the late Archbishop, of 400 l. per Annum, out of Four and a Half per Cent. from *Michaelmas* 1694, during her Life; with a Discharge to the said Mrs. *Tillotson* of 2,682 l. 12 s. 2 d. due for the First-fruits of the said Bishoprick.

May 1695. An Assignment unto *William Lowndes* Esquire, his Heirs, and Assigns for ever, of his Majesty's Stock in the Bank of *England*, by reason of a Subscription of

of 10,000 *l.* for his Use; which Stock was sold and applied as his Majesty had directed.

A Grant unto *Thomas* Earl of *Bradford*, and his Heirs for ever, in Consideration of 916 *l.* paid into the Exchequer, of a Fee-farm Rent of 66 *l.* 13 *s.* 4 *d.* issuing out of *Bridstock* Park, in the County of *Oxon*, and all Arrearages of the same.

A Discharge to *Eliz.* Countess of *Derby*, of 2,457 Ounces of gilt and white Plate, delivered out of the Jewel Office for the Service of the late Queen; with a Grant to the Earl of *Pembroke*, and others, as well as of the said Plate, as of 1,569 Ounces, not in Charge in the Jewel Office, and 400 Ounces of white Plate, and one Pair of Diamond Ear-rings worn by her said Majesty, in Trust for the sole Use of the said Countess.

A Grant unto *Geo. Petty*, *Michael Godfrey*, and *Richard Harrison*, of the Office of Surveyor of the Petty Customs in the Port of *London*; to hold from the Death or Avoidance of *Sir John Staples'* Interest therein, during the several Lives of *Richard* and *William Lumley*, younger Sons of the Earl of *Scarborough*, with the Salary of 300 *l.* per Annum.

A Grant unto *William D Nassau Seignior D Zulestine*, of 1,000 *l.* per Annum, out of the Post Office, from Lady-day 1695, during his Life.

A Grant unto *James Gibbons* of all the personal Estate of *Paul Buzen*, late of *London*, Merchant, who died without Issue, Relations, or Will.

A Grant unto *Henry D Nassau Seignior De Averquere*, his Heirs and Assigns for ever, of 2,000 *l.* per Annum, out of the Revenue of the Duchy of *Cornwall*, from Lady-day 1695; with a Clause for charging the same on the Excise, if it cannot be paid out of the Revenue of *Cornwall*.

June 1695. A Grant to the Lord *Cutts*, and *Ral. Highgate* Esquire, of the real and personal Estate of *William Meers*, late of *Barbadoes*, who died without Issue, Kindred, or Will.

A Grant unto *Laurence* Earl of *Rochester*, his Heirs and Assigns, of *Killingworth* Woods in the County of *York*, and of the Arrears and mean Profits of the same, under the yearly Rent of 6 *s.* 8 *d.*

June 1695. A Grant unto *Thomas* Lord *Coningsby*, his Heirs and Assigns for ever, of the Manors of *Marden* and *Kingsland* in the County of *Hereford*, with their Appurtenances, after the Death of the Queen Dowager.

August 1695. A Grant unto *William* Earl of *Rochford*, and his Heirs, of the Estate found by Inquisition to be forfeited to his Majesty, in the Counties of *Northampton* and *Montgomery*, by the Attainder of the Marquis of *Powys*, and seized into his Majesty's Hands.

A Grant unto *Wm.* Earl of *Portland*, his Heirs and Assigns for ever, of the Lordship and Manor of *Denbigh*, *Bromfield*, and *Yale*, in *North Wales*, under the yearly Rent of 6 *s.* 8 *d.*

Memorandum: This Grant never passed the Great Seal.

A Grant and Confirmation unto *Deborah Demaresquite*, of the Island of *Jersey*, of a Fee called *Faizants* in the said Island, then in his Majesty's Hands, under the yearly Rent of Nine Sols; with a Grant of the Tythes of Corn growing on her Fees, under the yearly Rent of Six Cabbalots of Barley, and several other Rights and Privileges belonging to her Predecessors.

February 1695. A Grant unto *William Bridgman* and *Josiah Burchet*, their Heirs and Assigns for ever, of a Piece of Ground lying in old *Spring Gardens*, in Trust for the Lord High Admiral, or Commissioners of the Admiralty, for the Time being.

March 1695. A Grant unto *Samuel Johnson* Clerk, of 300 *l.* per Annum, out of the Post Office; *habend'* for Ninety-nine Years, if the said *Samuel*, or *Benjamin* his Son, shall so long live.

A Grant unto *John Pultney*, of several Pieces and Parcels of Ground, lying near *St. James's-street*, upon Part whereof he has lately built a House; *habend'* for Ninety-nine Years, from the Expiration of a Term granted there-

in by King *Charles* the Second, to *Sir Wm. Pultney*, Grants from the Crown.

A Grant unto *William* Earl of *Portland*, of the Lodgings now in his Possession at *Whitchall*, for 42 Years, at 6 *s.* 8 *d.* per Annum Rent.

April 1696. A Grant unto *Mary Milburne*, of his Majesty's Title to 68 *l.* being the Monies of *Thomas Wansell*, who was outlawed at the Suit of the said *Milburn*.

A Grant unto *William* Earl of *Rochford*, his Heirs and Assigns for ever, of the Manor of *Hendon*, and all the Estate found by Inquisition to be forfeited to his Majesty, in the County of *Middlesex*, by the Attainder of the Marquis of *Powys*, except the House called *Powys* House, at the yearly Rent of 13 *s.* 4 *d.*; with a Grant of the Arrears and mean Profits arisen to his Majesty out of the said Marquis forfeited Estates in the Counties of *Northampton* and *Montgomery*, before granted to the said Earl.

A Grant unto *William Saunderson* Esquire, of the yearly Rent of 25 Loads of Hay, and 50 Quarters of Oats, reserved on several Leases from the Crown of the Site of the Tenement called *Nethercomb*, and other Lands in the County of *Kent*; *habend'* during the Continuance of the said Leases.

May 1696. A Grant unto *William* Earl of *Portland*, of the Manor of *Grantham* in *Lincolnshire*, Honour of *Penrith* in *Cumberland*, Manor of *Drachlow* and *Redheath* Com' *Chester*, Manor of *Terrington* in the County of *Norfolk*, Manors of *Batterington*, *Bristol*, *Garth*, *Hornsey*, *Thwyng*, *Burnsley*, and *Leven*, in the County of *York*; all Part of the ancient Revenue of the Crown; and of the Manor of *Pevensey* Com' *Sussex*; and of all other Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments thereto belonging; *habend'* to him, and his Heirs for ever, under the Rent of 13 *s.* 4 *d.*

A Grant unto *Thomas Hall* Esquire, of a Piece of Ground, with the Buildings thereon erected, whereon *St. James' Market* is now held; *habend'* for Ninety-nine Years, from the Expiration of the Terms on the Leases in being, at Ten Shillings per Annum Rent.

A Discharge, as well to the Commissioners of Excise, as *Charles Duncomb* their Cashier, and several Collectors of that Revenue, in Consideration of a competent Sum of Money paid to his Majesty by the said *Duncomb*, of 6,130 *l.* 19 *s.* 5 *d.* received by *Joseph Reynoldson*, upon Bills of Exchange, returned from the said Collectors for his Majesty's Use; the said *Reynoldson* having embezzled the same.

A Grant unto *Edward Lee*, of 500 *l.* bequeathed by his Sister to *Edward Lord Griffin*, who was outlawed for Treason.

A Grant unto *Charles Bertie*, *Sam. Travers*, *Jam. Herbert*, and *Richard Powys*, of a Farm called *Nethercomb* Farm, with several Lands, Tenements, and Rents, in the County of *Kent*, the Manor of *East Moulsey*, *Hampton Court*, and *Richmond Ferrys*; with the Site of the Monastery of *Sheene*, and other Hereditaments in the County of *Surry*; the Lands called *Northy*, *Hoo*, and *Bernard's Castle*, and other Lands and Tenements, in the County of *Sussex*; the Rents of *Amptill Park*, in the County of *Bedford*; Lands in *Shotover*, and *Stowood*, and other Lands, in the County of *Oxon*; and of *Mari-bone* Manor and Park, in the County of *Middlesex*; and of a Third Part of the Demesne of the Forest of *Gillingham*, Com' *Dorset*; and of the Agistment, Herbage and Pannage, in the Forest of *Marra*, and several Hereditaments, in the County of *Chester*; with the Tythes of the Vicarage of *Hallifax*, Com' *York*; *habend'* for 31 Years, from the Death of the Queen Dowager, at 3 *l.* 13 *s.* 4 *d.* per Annum Rent.

June 1696. A Grant unto *Alexander Johnstone* Esquire, of 300 *l.* per Annum, of the forfeited Estate of *Sir Roger Strickland*, in the County of *York*; *habend'* for 31 Years, from Lady-day 1696.

A Grant unto *Rowland Woodgeare*, in Consideration of 275 *l.* 11 *s.* 1 *d.* of all the Arrears of Rent, due on a Grant made by King *Charles* the Second to *Sir Joseph Wagstaffe*,



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*Wagstaffe*, of the power of exporting Lamprans to *Holland*, &c.; with a Grant . . the like Power to the said *Woodgeare*, for 31 Years, from 11th September 1694, at 17 s. 6 d. per Annum Rent.

July 1696. A Grant unto *Richard* Earl of *Ranelagh*, of the House and Lands at *Chelsey* which he now lives in, for Ninety-nine Years, from the 15th of April 1696, at 5 l. per Annum Rent; upon Surrender of a former Grant made to him of the same, for 58 Years, from the 15th of April 1696, at 30 l. 4 s. 6 d. per Annum Rent.

A Grant unto *Thomas* Lord *Raby*, of the Revenue of the Post-fines; *habend'* for 48 Years, from Michaelmas 1708, under the yearly Rent of 2,276 l. to be paid from the Commencement of his Term.

A Grant unto *Thomas* *Agar* Esquire, at the Nomination of the Earl of *Torrington*, of the Site of *Oatland's* House, and the Chambers of *Serjeants Inn* in *Fleet Street*, being the forfeited Estate of Sir *Edward* *Herbert*, outlawed for Treason.

A Grant unto *Thomas* *Phillips*, of what he shall recover and take up of the Wreck of the Ship *Beedaugh*, then lying in the River of *Cork* in *Ireland*; reserving a Tenth Part to his Majesty.

A Grant unto *John* Lord *Cutts*, of the Hundred of *Drumford*, and all other the Estate, both real and personal, found by Inquisition to belong to *John* *Caryll* Esquire, who was outlawed for Treason.

January 1697. A Grant unto *John* *Hill* and *Ralph* *Hardwick*, of the Forest or late Forest of *Arkingarthdale*, in the County of *York*, for 51 Years, from the Date, at the yearly Rent of 6 s. 8 d.; with a Clause, that this Seal shall be void, as to such Part of the Premises as shall not be recovered in Seven Years.

January 1690. A Grant or Demise under the Great Seal to the Clerk of the Pipe, unto *William* *Harbord*, of the Manor of *Stoughton Magna*, with its Appurtenances, and the reserved Rent of 200 l. per Annum, before payable for the same; *habendum*, for Ninety-nine Years, from the Date, at 5 l. per Annum.

June 1692. A Grant or Demise unto *Edward* *Russell* Esquire, in Consideration of his eminent Services, of a certain Piece of Ground, Houses, and other Things, in the Parish of *St. Martin's, Westminster*, Parcel of the Bailliwick of *St. James*; *habend'* for Ninety-nine Years, in Reversion of a Term granted by King *Charles* the Second to the Duke of *St. Albans*, and others, at Twenty Shillings per Annum Rent.

June 1692. A Grant or Demise unto Sir *Matth. Andrews*, in Consideration of 1,200 l. to be paid into the Exchequer, of the Manor of *Meer* in the County of *Wilts*, with the Demesnes, Warren, and Park there, for Twenty-three Years, from Lady-day 1701, at several Rents, amounting to 45 l. per Annum; as also of several Wood-grounds belonging to the said Manor, called *Deverlongwood*, and *Knowlwood*, for Ninety-nine Years, determinable upon Three Lives, such as he shall name, reserving the ancient yearly Rent.

February 1694. A like Grant or Demise unto *Gabriel* *Armiger* Esquire, of 20 l. per Annum, issuing out of the Manor of *West Deveham*, and certain Lands com' *Norfolk*, and all Arrears of the same; *habend'* for 31 Years, at 40 Shillings per Annum Rent; the same being long concealed and detained from the Crown.

April 1695. A Warrant signed to the Trustees for Sale of Fee-farm Rents, for conveying divers Fee-farm and other Rents, unto *Wm.* Earl of *Portland*, amounting to 1,536 l. 14 s. 1 d. per Annum, upon paying 24,571 l. 5 s. 4 d. for the Purchase thereof.

August 1695. A Grant and Release unto *Tho. Seamen*, who purchased under *William* *Betts*, of several Messuages and Tenements in *Norwich*, Part of the extended Estate of *Thomas* *Price*, granted by the late King *James* to the said *Betts*, upon Trust to sell the same to the best Purchaser, for the Purposes in that Grant mentioned.

November 1695. A Grant unto *Francis* *Gell* Esquire, of certain waste Lands on that Side of the River *Dec*,

called *Saltney Marsh*, and the Common or Heath called *Flint Common*, found by Inquisitions to be concealed from the Crown; *habend'* for Thirty-one Years from the Date, rendering an Eighth Part of the annual Value of the Premises that shall be recovered.

A Grant unto *Nathanael* *Booth* Esquire for a Fine of 62 l. 10 s. and, in Consideration of his good Services, of the Pre-fines and Post-fines *pro licentia concordandi*, in the Counties of *Chester* and *Flint*; *habend'* for 31 Years, from the Expiration of a Lease in being, at 100 Marks per Annum Rent.

February 1695. A Grant or Demise unto *Lancelot* *Sympton*, of several Parcels of Land in the Manor of *Penryth*, called *Heldryck-Myre*, Com' *Cumberland*, Part of the Queen Dowager's Jointure; *habend'* for Ninety-nine Years, concurrent with such Terms of Years as her Majesty, or her Trustees, may grant therein, at the Rent of 5 l. and in Consideration of a Fine of 50 l.

June 1696. A Grant or Demise unto the Earl of *Macclesfield*, of divers Cottages, Mines of Coal, and Profits of Court, within the Borough of *Macclesfield*, heretofore Parcel of the Possession of the Earl of *Chester*; *habend'* for Thirty-one Years, from Lady-day 1697, at Two several Rents of 20 s. and 50 s. a Year.

A Grant or Demise unto *Thomas* *Harly* Esquire, of the Site of the Castle of *Radnor*, with *Close Mainr* and *Cowmead*, Com' *Radnor*; and of all Heriots, Tolls, Demesne Lands, and other Hereditaments, Parcel of the Lordship of *Mellineth*, in the same County; and of all Mines and Minerals, not yet discovered, within the Lordships of *Cater Mellineth*; *habend'* the several Tolls, &c. for 42 Years, from Lady-day 1697, at 15 l. 16 s. 5 d. per Annum; and the Mines and Minerals at 10 s. per Annum; and a Tenth Part of the Profits; and the said Site, with other the Premises therewith granted, at several Rents, amounting to 33 s. per Annum.

October 1697. A Grant or Demise unto *Wm.* *Lambard* Esquire, of the Site of the Manor of *Gillingham*, in the County of *Kent*, and several Lands, Woods, and Underwoods there; *habend'* for several Terms, making Sixty-one Years, in Possession and Reversion, and under the several ancient yearly Rents.

August 1698. A Grant or Demise to *Edward* *Darrell*, of a Piece of Land and Wharf thereunto belonging, at *Richmond*; *habend'* for Sixty-one Years, in Reversion of the present Interest, at the ancient yearly Rents, and paying a Fine of 200 l.

A Warrant to the Trustees for the Sale of Fee-farm Rents, to contract with the Earl of *Dorset* for Fee-farm Rents, to the Value of 500 l. per Annum.

A like Warrant for the conveying a Fee-farm Rent, of 20 l. per Annum to *James* *Walsingham*.

A like Warrant for conveying to *Richard* *Topham*, Esquire, a Rent of 4 l. 5 s. 4 d. per Annum, out of the Manor of *Windsore under Ore*, and 10 l. per Annum out of *Sunhill Park*.

March 1698. A Grant or Demise under the Great Seal, by Warrant to the Clerk of the Pipe, unto *William* *Aldworth* Esquire, of *Frogmore* and *Shaw* Farms, with their Appurtenances, in the County of *Berks*, for Ninety-nine Years, concurrent with the Terms unexpired of the Leases then in being, at 7 s. per Annum for *Shaw* Farm, and 5 s. 4 d. for *Frogmore* Farm: This in Consideration of 1,307 l. paid into the Exchequer, and a Surrender made by the said *Aldworth*, of several Parcels of Land to his Majesty's Use.

A Grant or Demise to *William* *Smith* Esquire, of several Lands and Premises in *Old* and *New Windsor*, for Ninety-nine Years, concurrent with the Terms upon the Leases in being, at 5 l. 2 s. 6 d. per Annum Rent: This in Consideration of 130 l. paid into the Exchequer, and a Surrender, as before.

May 1699. A Grant or Demise to the Earl of *Carbury*, of the Profits of the original Seal of the Six Counties of *Wales*, and the Post-fines of the said Counties; *habend'* for 40 Years, in Reversion of the Terms in being, at

at 60*l.* per Annum, for the original Seals, and 74*l.* for the Post Fines.

September 1699. A Grant or Demise unto *Charles Bertie* Esquire, of the Manors of East and West *Deeping*, in the County of *Lincoln*; *habend'* for 48 Years, from *Michaelmas* 1748, at the yearly Rent of 4*l.* 1*s.* 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>*d.* and in Consideration of a Fine of 150*l.*

December 1699. A Warrant signed by his Majesty, importing a Grant to be passed under the Great Seal of *England*, unto *John Latten* Esquire, his Heirs and Assigns for ever, of the Honour and Manor of *Ewelme*, and Castle and Manor of *Wallingford*, in the Counties of *Oxford* and *Berks*; in consideration of 1,450*l.* to be paid into the Exchequer, being the Value rated by the Surveyor.

A like Warrant importing a Grant to be made to Sir *John Shaw*, and his Heirs for ever, of the Manor of *Eltham*, with its Appurtenances, in the County of *Kent*, and of the Rents for the same, which would come to the Crown at the Death of the Queen Dowager; in Consideration of 3,600*l.* to be paid into the Exchequer, being the Value rated for the said Grant by the Surveyor.

*Memorandum*: No Grants have hitherto passed, in Pursuance of the last Two Warrants.

*Memorandum*: The Grants passed under the Seal of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, if there be any such, are unknown to me.

*Memorandum*: There are several Leases of small Estates, passed under the Exchequer Seal, not comprehended in this List.

*Wm. Lowndes.*

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

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Harbour.

The House, according to Order, took into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition, relating to *Dover* Harbour, was referred:

And the said Report was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

Sir *Henry Sheers* said, That all Seafaring Men are undoubtedly very sensible of the Usefulness of the said Harbour, when in Repair; the same being a Security for all Ships in Distress, whether driven by Storm from their Anchors in the *Downes*, or otherwise; but now it is, in a manner, become useless, being choaked up with Beach, Sand and Mud, and the Piers are very much out of Repair, insomuch that they are in continual Danger of being lost; and should the Sea break in before they are repaired, the Harbour will be irrevocably lost.

That in the Year 1652, a Squadron of *English* Cruisers, of the 4th Rate, went into the said Harbour, and cleaned and victualled within the Piers, some of which Ships came in one Day, and went out the next; there being then Eleven Foot Water at Neap Tides, and Twenty-two Foot Water at Spring Tides; and since that, King *Charles* the Second ascribed a great deal of his Success, in his Maritime Wars, to the Service of the said Harbour, which is the most commodiously situated in the World; and, could the Publick but be made sensible of the Advantages the said Harbour might be improved to, no Cost would be spared to improve so good a Work, which will answer any Expence the Nation shall be put to, and which, he believes, might be a great Means to prevent a Maritime War, it commanding the narrowest Part of the Chanel:

That he has seen a Survey of the said Harbour, taken by Direction of the Lords of the Admiralty, about Two Years ago, which is a perfect Transcript of what he took about 15 Years since; and thinks there is no Doubt, if Money be provided, but that the said Harbour may be restored to its former Condition, if not better; the Port, by Art, being capable of yielding Two or Three Foot Depth of Water more within than ever it did, which is a very great Matter: And Sir *Henry Sheers* presented the annexed Estimate of the Charge, amounting to 30,100*l.* but said, That 6 or 7,000*l.* yearly will be a sufficient Sum to be expended in carrying on the said Work:

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That when the Work, pursuant to the said Estimate, shall be completed, the said Harbour, by the help of a Backwater and the Sea, as he has conceived and designed it, the Backwater being now of very little Use, will cleanse itself from what the Sea brings in, and thereby preserve its Depth for ever, without any future Expence to the Publick; which no artificial Port does, that he knows of, they being subject to be choaked up, and are a constant . . . . to their several Princes and States, who are Masters of the like artificial Ports:

That the new Work of Masonry, by the said Estimate, designed on the North Side of the Haven, to be carried out some Distance into deeper Water, being designed as a Remedy to the future bringing in of the Beach, which has been all along the greatest Impediment to the Service of this Port, will add an Advantage to the Preservation of the Work against the Rage of the Sea, and cure that Evil for the Time to come; which is a Benefit the Port never yet enjoyed.

Mr. *Bretton* said, That the Harbour is so choaked up, that the Packet Boat cannot come in but at Spring Tides; for which Reason, Captain *Gibson*, Commander of the Packet, lately besought the Commissioners of the Post Office, that the Mail might be delivered at *Deale*; for that the said Harbour was no longer safe, he having been like to be cast away, while waiting to get in: Which was ordered accordingly.

Mr. *Mackay*, Manager of the *Dover* Packet, said, That the Packet has often been obliged to land the Mail from the *Downes*, for Want of sufficient Water to come into *Dover* Harbour: Though the Packet Boat draws but Six Foot Water; yet many Times there is not Three Foot Depth of Water in the Harbour; so that the Packet must many Times wait, till a Boat goes out to tell the Commander whether he may venture in or not, which is a very great Delay to Passengers, and the Mail; of which frequent Complaints were made: For which Reason, the Commissioners of the Post Office ordered the Mail to be delivered at *Deal*.

*James Harvey*, Master of the Packet betwixt *Dover* and *Ostend*, said, That *Dover* Harbour is so bad, that he had often been obliged to land the Mail from the *Downes*; and that sometimes it is so shallow, that a long Boat cannot get in; and once he was forced to wait 48 Hours to get into the Harbour, though he had a fair Wind.

Mr. *Bretton* said, That, within these 20 Years, he has known a Ship of 300 Tons, laden with Tobacco, discharge herself at the Port of *Dover*, which is now lost, and the Piers of the Harbour want great Repair; so that if his Majesty had not allowed 500*l.* Two Years ago, for their Support, upon the Report of Sir *Cloudesty Shovell* and others, who were at the said Survey mentioned by Sir *Henry Sheers*, and agrees with it; they had then been quite destroyed, as he believes; and if the Sea should break in before the Piers are repaired, the said Harbour, which is the safest on all the Coast, is not to be recovered; so that many Merchant Ships in Distress, which might receive Succour from the said Harbour, will be utterly lost; many of which, every Winter, being driven in, very much shattered, without Cable or Anchors, where they unlade, and refit; which, in 20 Years last, has saved many Hundred thousand Pounds to the Merchants:

That in 1689, about Seventy Sail of Merchant Ships were driven into the said Harbour by Storm from their Anchors, without Cables; the which, at 2,000*l.* a Ship, being a moderate Computation, as he takes it, amounts to 140,000*l.*; and, in all Probability, would have fallen into the Enemies Hands, had it not been for the said Harbour; and that, about 4 Years since, several Transport Ships, with Men, were forced into the Harbour, which otherwise would have been cast away, as he believes:

That heretofore the Port of *Dover* yielded a Revenue to the Crown of about 20,000*l.* per Annum for Customs; but for 12 Years past it has produced a very inconsiderable yearly Sum, through the Loss of their said Port and Trade; the which, with Losses by Fire of a Farm-house

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and Barn, Part of the Harbour Revenue, and Losses by the late War to the Inhabitants of *Dover*, has rendered them incapable of paying their Rents for the cleansing and repairing the said Harbour and Piers; for the doing whereof, there is a Revenue of about 300 *l.* per Annum; but not above 150 *l.* per Annum is received of it:

That former Parliaments had such a Regard to the Service of the said Harbour, that, towards its Repairs, several Acts passed in the Reigns of Queen *Eliz.* King *James* the First, and King *Charles* the Second, for laying a Duty upon all Ships and Vessels, that did or might receive any Advantage by the said Harbour; the last of which Acts expired about 38 Years since, and produced about 9,000 *l.* in Seven Years time; but what the former Acts yielded, he does not know, or does it appear by the Books of the Harbour Revenue, several Leaves thereof being torn out that should shew the same.

He further said, That there is a very good Victualling Office at *Dover*, with great Conveniencies, and the only Victualling Office between *Chatham* and *Portsmouth*, from whence the Navy Royal, when in the *Downes*, takes in Provisions; and where he believes, and has been informed, the King may victual cheaper than at *London*; which Office will become useless, in case the said Harbour be not repaired.

Mr. *Papillon* said, That the Commissioners of the Victualling Office, on their Agent's Information from *Dover*, that the said Harbour was so choaked up, that his Majesty's Ships could no longer be supplied with Provisions from thence, have been forced to supply them from *London*, though on various Occasions, during the War, *Dover* supplied the main Body of the Fleet with Provisions for some Time; and believes it is capable of supplying 20 or 30 Sail throughout the Year, on fitting Notice:

That if there had not been a Victualling Office at *Dover* during the late War, the Fleet must many Times have met with considerable Disappointments, to the Prejudice of the Service; at was too plain, when that Port was not fully provided to answer the Wants of the Ships in the *Downes*, but were forced to wait for Provisions from *London*; which has frequently given that Delay, through the Incertainty of Wind and Weather to admit its going down, that it has been a great Prejudice to the Publick: Besides, they are subject to Miscarriages; and cost the King, besides Pilotage and Demurrage, 3 *s.* per Ton more than what is sent from *Dover*, as he believes.

Mr. *Breton* said, That upon the late Expedition by Sea before *Dunkirk*, the Fleet was supplied with Pilots from *Dover*; which has always been a very great Nursery for able Pilots and Seamen, who have signalized themselves upon many Occasions, and are a great Help to the Fishery at *Yarmouth*; and that the Port of *Dover* maintained Five or Six Privateers during the late War, and took many Prizes; and many other Privateers also took Sanctuary there, because they could speedily be out and into Port again.

That he has heard by several Gentlemen that came from *Calais*, That the *French* King is making a Harbour there at a very great Expence.

Mr. *Mackay* said, That in *August* last he was at *Calais*; where he saw about 300 Men employed in making a Harbour; that they were making a Work to carry their Pier out below Low-water Mark, in Order to maintain 20 Foot constant Water within the Harbour, as the Captain of the Quay told him, which they thought sufficient for 4th or 5th Rates to go out and in, at any Time: And the said Captain further told Mr. *Mackay*, That the Money was raised for carrying on the said Work; and that it was intended to make the said Harbour as good and safe as Money and Art could possibly, although they have no Backwater.

That the Committee thought it for their Service to have the Opinion of *Trinity-house*, touching the said Harbour,

And accordingly, Sir *Richard Haddock*, Captain *Atkinson*, and several others, of their Members attended; and

informed the Committee, That their Board were unanimously agreed, That *Dover* Harbour was of very great Use and Consequence to the Nation, and a general Advantage to Trade.

Sir *Richard Haddock* also agreed with Sir *Henry Sheers*, that in 1652, 4th and 5th Rates frequently went into the said Harbour, and cleaned, and victualled: And added, That he saw Two 4th Rates come in and lie to the Side of the said Harbour, and in 48 Hours after went out cleaned: And also said, That the *Dover Merchant*, a Three-deck Ship of 4 or 500 Tons, loaded in the said Harbour, and proceeded in her Voyage to *Cadiz*: And that the Victualling Office at *Dover* is of much less Use than formerly, and will become useless, if the Harbour be not speedily repaired.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to the Resolutions following; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Petitioners have fully proved the Allegations of their Petition.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the restoring the said Harbour of *Dover* to its former State and Condition, will be of great Service to the Nation, and Benefit to Trade and Navigation.

The Estimate, mentioned in the said Report, of the Charge of repairing and recovering the Harbour and Pier of *Dover*.

The Recovery of the ancient Depth of Water in the Harbour, which is now totally filled up with Beach, Sand, Mud, &c. amounting to at least 150,000 Ton; which, by Computation, will cost, to remove, and carry away	£ 5,000
The Design propounded to be executed for preventing the future filling up and choaking the Harbour, and thereby to preserve the Depth of Water for ever, without further Charge to the Publick, will cost	3,600
The new Traverse-work for keeping Ships waterborne, in order to their careening and refitting, &c. with the Gates, Wharfing, Filling, &c. will cost	4,000
To repair the decayed Wharfing of the Haven	2,000
For 10,000 Floors of Earth-work in the Basins for receiving the Backwater, &c. which are to be deepened and enlarged; computed at 10 <i>s.</i> the Floor	5,000
For repairing the old Heads	1,500
For a Work to be of Masonry on the West Side of the Pier, to be carried out into Six Foot Depth below the Low-water Mark, whereby to prevent the bringing in the Beach upon Westerly and South-west Storms	4,000
For Machines, Vessels, Tools, and Utensils, Stores, and Storehouses, &c.	3,000
For Officers, Conductors, and Overseers Wages, and all Contingencies; per Estimation	2,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£. 30,100</b>

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Lord *Fairfax* acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move the House, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill according to the said Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Repair of *Dover* Harbour: And that the Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Bazil Dixwell*, Admiral *Aylmer*, and Mr. *Brewer*, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of *Jeremiah Basse* Esquire, and *John Lofting* Merchant, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, in 1697, being Owners and Freighters of the Ship *Hester* of 130 Tons, sent

Earl of Bellamont's Conduct.

sent her, loaden with Goods of the Product of *England*, to the Province of *East Jersey*, in *America*, where she arrived the 26th of March last, and was duly entered at *Perth Amboy*, a Port appointed by the Commissioners of the Customs in *England*, and under the Directions of the Lords of the Treasury, for the Delivery of *European Goods* within that Colony: That the Cargo being unladed, and the Ship, in November following, being there victualled and laden, and ready to sail for the *Madera's*, the Earl of *Bellomont*, Governor of *New York*, usurping an arbitrary Power over his Majesty's Subjects of *East Jersey*, which is independent, and no Part of the Province of *New York*, sent 50 armed Men to seize the said Ship, who entered on board, wounded many of the Mariners, and carried her to *New York*; where the said Earl caused her to be condemned, and sold at 315*l.* *New York Money*, for not entering at *New York* the Goods imported to *East Jersey*, and for not paying the Duties imposed on them by an Act of Assembly at *New York*; though no Duties are payable for Goods imported to *East Jersey*, nor is *East Jersey* subject to the Laws made at *New York*: By which illegal Proceedings the Petitioners are not only deprived of their Ship, worth above 1,200*l.*; but also of her Cargo then on board, amounting to a further Value; and can obtain no Satisfaction for the same from the Earl of *Bellomont*, and those Instruments of Oppression at *New York*: That the Petitioner *Basse*, being Governor of *East Jersey*, seized there *John Elston* and *William Merrick*, whom the Petitioner refused to bail, they being of *Every* the Pirate's Crew; but the said Earl, by a pretended Admiralty Power, forced them out of the Petitioner's Hands; set them at Liberty upon insufficient Bail; and *Merrick* has since made his Escape: And praying the Consideration of the House, and Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter; and report the Fact to the House:

And it is referred to. Colonel *Bierly*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Hysham*, Sir *Walt. Yonge*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, Mr. *How*, Sir *Wm. St. Quintin*, Mr. *Beyle*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Blathwaite*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Barnardiston*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Mr. *Cowper*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Moor*, Sir *Edmund Bacon*, Mr. *Harvey*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Sir *Ja. Houbton*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Rider*, Sir *John Fleet*, Mr. *Duke*, Mr. *Mason*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Offley*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Sir *Geo. Rook*, Mr. *Norton*, Sir *Rowl. Gwyn*, Mr. *Bullock*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *Godfry Coply*, Mr. *Povey*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Colonel *Granville*, Lord *Cutts*, Lord *Powlett*, Sir *Fra. Blake*, Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *Fleming*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Butler's  
Estate.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Henry Butler* Esquire to make Leases of Part of his Estate in *Lancashire*, for discharging of Incumbrances thereupon: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Election of  
Mayor of  
Dartmouth.

A Petition of all the Magistrates, save one, and all the Common Council of the Borough of *Clifton Dartmouth Hardnesse*, in the County of *Devon*, on behalf of themselves, and the major Part of the free Burgesses of the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of a Mayor, and other usual and annual Officers, for the said Borough, the Petitioners duly chose Mr. *Caleb Rocket* for Mayor, and other Officers; but *Joseph Bully*, who then acted as Mayor, unduly and arbitrarily swore *John Whitrow*

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Mayor, and several other annual Officers, not duly chosen; and for admitting and swearing Mr. *Rockett* and the other legal Officers, *Bully* hath been served with several *Mandamuses* out of the King's Bench, by leaving them at his Dwelling-house, he absconding therefrom till after the Returns; by which Means the Petitioners are not like to have the Right of the said Elections tried at Law before the Year expires, for which they were chosen: That *Whitrow* dying on the 15th of December last, the Borough hath been ever since without a Mayor: But, on the 5th Instant, *Bully* caused Proclamation to be made of an Election of a Mayor in the room of *Whitrow*; and accordingly, without any manner of Precedent, chose and swore one *John Sikes*, a common Freeman, as Mayor, on Purpose, as the Petitioners conceive, to get the Precept for a new Election of a Burgess to serve in Parliament into the Hands of *Bully* and *Sikes*, that they may return whom they please; all which is contrary to the Rights of the said Borough: And praying, That the said *Bully* may be enforced to a speedy Tryal of the Truth of the Premises before this House; and that the Petitioners may be relieved therein.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

Resolved, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, take into Consideration the Matter relating to Charters and *Mandamuses*, which have been lately made and granted.

Resolved, That this House will, upon every *Monday*, *Wednesday*, and *Friday*, at Eleven a Clock, proceed upon the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, or Ways and Means for raising the same, or upon the Bills relating thereunto: And that all Debates be then adjourned.

Days for  
Supply, and  
Ways and  
Means.

An ingrossed Bill for continuing the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London*, trading to the *East Indies*, a Corporation, was read the Third time.

Old East  
India Com-  
pany.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for continuing the Governor and Company of Merchants of *London*, trading to the *East Indies*, a Corporation.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cook* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

The House resumed the adjourned Consideration of the Resolutions of *Tuesday* last, touching the Debts to the Army, and for Transport Service.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in for appointing Persons to adjust the Debt to the Army, and for Transport Service: And that Mr. *Harley* and Mr. *Harcourt* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to them, That they do also provide, in the said Bill, for the adjusting the Debt to the Navy.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the Petitions and Report from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, relating to Q's and R's, be adjourned until *Saturday Morning* next.

Seamen's  
Arrears.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the general Quiet of the Subject, against all Pretences of Concealments, Encroachments, Derelictions by the Sea, or other defective Titles, is committed, be made upon *Thursday Morning* next.

Defective  
Titles.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn* reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the Borough of *Clifton Dartmouth Hardnesse*, in the County of *Devon*, and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Dartmouth  
Election.

Upon the Petition of *Nathanael Hern* and *Rowland Holt* Esquires, complaining of an undue Election, each



each of the other, to serve for the said Borough;  
and also of a double Return;

That the Record of the said double Return was brought before the Committee by the Deputy Clerk of the Crown:

That the Writ is directed to the Sheriff of *Devon*, commanding him, That, in the room of Sir *Joseph Herne*, deceased, *infra burgum prædictum unum alium burgensem eligi faciat*:

That, pursuant to the said Writ, the Sheriff directed his Precept, *Majori burgi de Clifton Dartmouth Hardness, nec non burgensibus burgi prædicti*:

That it was allowed, in Fact, that the Mayor, Mr. *Whitrow*, accordingly appointed the 16th Day of December last for the Election, and Notice was given of the same; but the Mayor died the Day before that appointed for the Election: Yet, notwithstanding, the Burgesses, at the Time appointed, proceeded to make an Election, at which Mr. *Holt* and Mr. *Herne* were Candidates:

That as well the Return of Mr. *Herne*, as the Return of Mr. *Holt*, together with the Precept, were delivered in to the Clerk of the Crown, affixed to the Writ:

That both Returns take Notice of the Death of the Mayor:

That Mr. *Holt's* Return is expressed to be by several of the Burgesses:

That Mr. *Hern's* Return is expressed to be by several of the Magistrates, and free Burgesses; and to be under the Common Seal:

That these Matters were opened by the Counsel, but no Witnesses were examined.

And that thereupon the Committee came to these Resolutions:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Nathanael Hern* Esquire is not duly returned a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Clifton Dartmouth Hardness*, in the County of *Devon*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Rowland Holt* Esquire is not duly returned a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Clifton Dartmouth Hardness*.

The said several Resolutions being severally read a Second time; the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Motion being made, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Clifton Dartmouth Hardness*, in the room of Sir *Joseph Hern* Knight, deceased;

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

*Resolved*, That the Debate be adjourned till this Day Sevensnight, after the Consideration of the Matter relating to Charters, and *Mandamuses*, which have been lately made and granted.

King's Bench  
Prison.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *King's Bench* Prison, and for Dissolution of the said Prison, be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Fleet Prison.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *Fleet* Prison, and for Dissolution of the said Prison, be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Martis, 12° die Februarii;

11° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

THE House took into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, *An Act for naturalizing Francis Vandertijd, and Agneta Vandermersch*: And the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

At the End of the Title, add "*Henry Lowman*, and "*James Gabriel Le Tresor*," and leave out "and."

Pr. 1. L. 7. after "*Holland*," insert "*Henry Lowman*, the Son of *Theodore* and *Mary Lowman*, born at "*Dortmund*, in the Dominions of the Elector of *Brandenburgh*; and *James Gabriel Le Tresor*, Son of "*James Le Tresor*, and *Lucy Le Tresor*, born at *Caen*, in the Province of *Normandy*."

L. 18. after "*Vandermersch*," add "*Henry Lowman* and *James Gabriel Le Tresor*."

L. 25. for "either," read "and every."

L. 30. after "*Vandermersch*," insert "*Henry Lowman* and *James Gabriel Le Tresor*."

Pr. 2d, L. 1. after "his," add "her."

L. 2. after "his," add "her."

L. 7. after "either," read "any."

L. 10. after "either," read "any."

L. 17. after "*Vandermersch*," insert "*Henry Lowman* and *James Gabriel Le Tresor*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Clark* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Roberts* attended, according to Order; Grants from the Crown.

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House an Account of Rents granted out of the Honour of *Windsor*, and Counties of *Oxon* and *Berks*.

And then withdrew.

And the Title of the said Account was read.

And the Account is as followeth; viz.

#### Castle-guard Rents.

	£.	s.	d.
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Huntercomb</i>	3	15	0
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Morden Pinkney</i>	4	11	4
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Wapenham</i>	0	7	2½
A Rent out of the Rectory of <i>Wapenham</i>	0	4	5½
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Culworth</i>	1	2	10
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Sulgrave</i>	0	11	5
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Astwell</i>	1	2	10
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Midgham</i>	1	0	0
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Mandeville</i>	1	2	10
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Easton</i>	10	0	0
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Knight Ellington</i>	0	10	0
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Purly Maling</i>	1	0	0
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Shottsbrook</i>	0	4	4
A Rent out of <i>Bagshot Vaccary</i>	1	5	0
A Rent out of the Bailiwick Fines	0	10	0
A Rent out of the Tenements in <i>Datchett</i>	0	1	0
A Rent out of <i>Cuffield Vaccary</i>	1	0	0
A Rent payable by the Inhabitants of <i>Halley</i>	0	1	0
A Rent payable by the Inhabitants of <i>Tongham</i>	0	1	0
A Rent payable by the Inhabitants of <i>Farnbrough</i>	1	0	0
A Rent out of a Tenement in <i>Abington</i>	0	3	0
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Tubney</i>	1	0	0
A Rent out of the Land in <i>Hamney</i>	1	0	0
A Rent out of <i>Fish-hide</i> Manor in <i>Garford</i>	0	4	10
A Rent out of Lands in <i>Pewsey</i>	0	13	4
A Rent out of a Tenement in <i>Locking</i>	0	2	11½
A Rent out of Lands in <i>Chilton</i>	0	18	0
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Hardwell</i>	0	10	0
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Frilsord</i>	1	4	0
A Rent out of Lands in <i>Balking</i>	0	0	10½
A Rent			

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.		
A Rent out of Lands in Longworth	-	0	6	8	A Rent out of Lands late Leaver's	-	0	0	3
A Rent out of Lands in Denchworth	-	1	0	6	A Rent out of Robert's Croft in Burfield	-	0	2	6
A Rent out of the Manor of Besleigh	-	1	0	0	A Rent out of Lands late Leaver's	-	0	9	4
A Rent out of the Manor of Witham	-	1	17	0	A Rent out of Church-close, and Six Pieces	0	2	1	
A Rent of Lands in Padbury	-	0	3	8½	of Land late Leaver's	-	-	-	-
A Rent out of Lands in Sugworth	-	0	0	10	A Rent out of Lands there	-	0	2	0
A Rent of the Manor of Lifford	-	1	0	0	A Rent out of Leaver's Land	-	0	2	4
A Rent out of Lands in Woollaston	-	0	1	6	A Fee-farm Rent out of Folly-John Park	-	10	0	0
A Rent payable by the Inhabitants of Uffington	0	11	1½		Quit-rents in Folly-John.				
A Rent out of Lands in Watchfield	-	0	10	7½	A Rent out of Preston's or Hurst's Lands	1	2	4	
A Rent out of other Lands there	-	0	2	0	A Rent out of Hurst's Land and Taylor's Mead	1	0	11	
A Rent out of Lands in Goosey	-	0	4	0	A Rent out of Hodge Lands in Wingfield	-	0	2	0
A Rent out of Lands in Leekhamstead	-	1	0	0	A Rent out of Lands in Garston's Hill	-	0	2	0
A Rent payable by the Inhabitants of Suningwel	0	16	0		A Rent out of Hodg Lands and Hamond Mon-	0	7	1	
A Rent out of the Manor of Boxare	-	0	4	8	tagu's	-	-	-	-
A Rent out of the Manor of Kingston Lesleigh	1	0	0		A Rent out of a Pasture in Neccle-hill late Ditto's	0	13	8½	
A Rent out of the Manor of Beedon	-	2	10	0	A Rent out of Memfield, Ryditch, and Newland	0	14	0	
A Rent out of the Manor of Leverton	-	0	10	0	A Rent out of Lamsbrook	-	0	7	2
A Rent out of Lands in Wheatley	-	0	11	7½	A Rent out of Lands in Buntingbury Brocas	0	2	6	
A Rent out of Lands in Denton	-	0	6	5	A Rent out of Home Mead late Mountague's	0	8	8	
A Rent out of Chawers Manor in Garsington	1	0	0		A Rent out of Redsoles	-	0	1	0
A Rent out of the Manor of Sampford	-	1	0	0	A Rent out of Whiteland's	-	0	1	8
A Rent out of the Manor of Bereford St. Michael	1	0	0		A Rent out of Hutchin's and Oxleare	-	0	5	7
A Rent out of the Manor of Buckland	-	1	0	0	A Rent out of Fernhill	-	2	11	5
Rents called Lostfield Silver.					A Rent out of Part of Agnes Mountgu's Lands	0	1	1	
A Rent payable by the Tythingmen of Clewer	0	17	8		Fee-farm Rents.				
A Rent payable by the Tythingmen of Did-	0	6	2		A Rent out of Taplow Mills	-	11	0	0
worth Manel	-	-	-	-	A Rent out of the Manor of Taplow	-	13	6	8
Ditto by the Tythingmen of Didworth Loring	0	6	2		A Rent out of the Manor of Holmer	-	14	3	6½
Ditto by the Tythingmen of Windsor Underore	0	1	0		A Rent out of the Manor of Burnham	-	15	0	1½
Ditto by the Tythingmen of Spittle Sheet	-	0	1	6	A Rent out of the Fishing there	-	7	0	0
Ditto by Tythingmen of Old Windsor	-	0	2	0	A Rent out of the Manor of Upton	-	59	6	11
Ditto by Tythingmen of Impton Warfield	-	0	1	0	A Rent out of Upton Grange Tythes	-	10	0	0
Ditto by Tythingmen of Wingfield and	0	5	6		A Rent out of Upton Demesne Tythes	-	4	0	0
Ascott	-	-	-	-	A Rent out or Burnham Manor Tythes	-	15	11	0
Ditto by Tythingmen of Inglesfield in Surry	0	2	0		A Lease-rent out of the Site of Burnham Manors	11	18	1	
Assert Rents.					Sum total, per Annum 247 9 6½				
A Rent out of Goodwin's Tenement in Wingfield	0	0	5		For William Roberts Esquire, his Majesty's Receiver General for the County of Berks.				
A Rent out of Remnall in Old Windsor	-	1	0	2½	Sir,				
A Rent out of Tyler's Mead in Wingfeild	-	0	0	8	The Trustees for Sale of his Majesty's Fee-farm Rents, having conveyed the Rents in this, and the annexed Sheets of Paper, contained, unto the Right Honourable the Earl of Portland, by Deed dated the 18th of September 1696; you are desired not to intermeddle any further with the Receipts thereof, the same being to be paid me, at the House of John Smith Esquire, in Beaufort Buildings in the Strand. I am, Sir,				
A Rent out of Langford's Lands	-	1	19	9	Your most humble Servant, David Codd.				
A Rent out of Lands in Clewer	-	0	10	6	25 Sept. 1696.				
A Rent out of Heather's Land in Windsor Castle	0	1	8½		And also, about September 1698, I received this other List or Schedule here under-written, from a Person sent, as he informed me, by one Mr. Digby, with Directions, that the Rents, therein contained, were granted by his Majesty to the Right Honourable the Lord Chancellor; and that I was not to intermeddle with the Receiving of any of them to his Majesty's Use: The Copy of which List is as followeth; viz.				
A Rent out of Church-house in Suninghill	0	0	4		Assert Rents.				
A Rent out of a Cottage there	-	0	0	1		£.	s.	d.	
A Rent out of another Cottage there	-	0	0	4	A Rent out of a Cottage in Old Windsor	-	0	0	4
A Rent out of Baker's Lands there	-	0	0	4	A Rent out of a Cottage in Suninghill	-	0	0	2
A Rent out of a Cottage, late Mountague's	0	0	4		A Rent out of a Cottage and Acre of Land	0	0	6	
A Rent out of Lands in Shootes	-	0	1	0	there, late Robert's	-	-	-	-
A Rent out of a Tenement and Garden near	0	3	4		A Rent out of a Cottage, late Ellis Slatt's	-	0	0	1
Clewer-land	-	-	-	-	A Rent out of Lands in Hurst	-	0	0	8
A Rent out of the Manor of Suninghill	-	0	2	2½	A Rent out of Lands called Long Ivings	-	0	0	8
A Rent out of Serle's Lands there	-	0	0	1	A Lease-rent out of Lands in Old Windsor,	15	17	6	
A Rent out of Field's Lands there	-	0	0	6	paid by Mr. John Mitchell	-	-	-	-
A Rent out of Robinson's Lands there	-	0	0	8	Quit-rents.				
A Rent out of a Tenement called Milton's	0	0	4		A Rent out of a House at the Spittle in	0	10	0	
A Rent out of Cotterill's Lands there	-	0	0	6	New Windsor, late Wait's	-	-	-	-
A Rent out of a Tenement and Garden near	0	4	0		G g g A Rent				
Doctor Lister's Lodge	-	-	-	-					
Quit-rents.									
A Rent out of Lands in Old Windsor	-	1	1	1					
A Rent out of other Lands there	-	0	6	5½					
A Rent out of other Lands there	-	0	10	8					
A Rent out of other Lands there	-	2	2	3					
A Rent out of other Lands there	-	0	0	4					
A Rent out of Lands there late Worship's	0	10	0						
A Rent out of the Manor of Chalworth	-	0	3	0					
A Rent out of Lands called the Leigh	-	0	15	9½					
A Rent out of Clifton's Lands	-	0	4	11½					
A Rent out of the Dean and Prebends Lands	0	8	10						
A Rent out of Tyle Place	-	1	1	1					
A Rent out of Lands there	-	0	5	6					
A Rent out of Land near Shaw Land	-	0	0	6					
A Rent out of a House there	-	0	1	0					
A Rent out of Tawl's Grove & Friend's Lands	0	7	8½						

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Grants from the Crown.	£.	s.	d.
A Rent out of <i>Bartlett's House</i> in <i>Pennor-street</i>	0	2	0
A Rent out of <i>Baldwin's Land</i> near <i>Great Park</i>	0	1	4
A Rent out of Half an Acre of Land at <i>Spittlehill</i>	0	1	0
A Rent out of <i>Pury's Messuage</i>	-	0	0
A Rent out of a Tenement at the <i>Worth</i>	-	0	8
A Rent out of Lands there	-	1	2
A Rent out of a Messuage in <i>Priest-street</i>	0	3	8
A Rent out of divers Tenements there	-	0	13
A Rent out of the <i>White Lion</i>	-	0	5
A Rent out of <i>Alden's Meadow</i> in <i>Spittlehill</i>	0	3	5
A Rent out of <i>Haverhill's House</i> in <i>Sheet-street</i>	0	2	9
A Rent out of Eight Acres of Land called <i>Plumer's</i>	0	1	6
A Rent out of <i>Buntingbury Lands</i>	-	1	10
A Rent out of Part of the same Lands	-	1	0
A Rent out of Part of the same Lands	-	0	8
A Rent of Part of the same Lands, called <i>Davis Mead</i>	-	0	7
A Rent out of other Lands in <i>Buntingbury</i>	0	4	0
A Rent out of Lands called <i>Wyrall's</i>	-	0	1
A Rent out of <i>Broad Strode</i> , late <i>Tyle's</i>	-	0	5
A Rent out of <i>Preston's Ground</i> , and <i>Wren Park</i>	0	5	2
A Rent out of other Lands in <i>Wingfield</i>	-	0	5
A Rent out of <i>Stockbridge</i>	-	0	2
A Rent out of <i>Mountague's Land</i>	-	0	9
A Rent out of <i>Lodge Close</i>	-	0	15
A Rent out of a Tenement called <i>Scorche's</i>	0	2	0
A Rent out of a Parcel of the same	-	0	0
A Rent out of <i>Brodere alias Fowler's</i>	-	0	9
A Rent out of Lands in <i>Hatchet-lane</i>	-	0	2
A Rent out of Lands in <i>Benges and Deaths</i>	0	3	6
A Rent out of Lands late <i>Huckle's</i> or <i>Hatchet</i>	0	1	6
A Rent out of <i>Brickhill's</i> and <i>Buck's Land</i>	0	1	8
A Rent out of Lands in <i>Wingfield</i>	-	0	1
A Rent out of <i>Tyle's House</i> or <i>Pightle</i>	-	0	0
A Rent out of the Dean and Canons Lands	0	10	3
A Rent out of <i>Wood Ivings</i>	-	0	0
A Rent out of Lands in <i>Buntingbury</i>	-	0	4
A Rent out of <i>Wingfield Close</i>	-	0	4
A Rent out of other Lands there	-	0	9
A Rent out of <i>Breeches</i>	-	0	4
A Rent out of a Cottage in <i>Wingfield</i>	-	0	0
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Cookham</i>	-	67	18
A Farm-rent out of the Fishing at <i>Cookham</i>	3	10	8
A Lease-rent out of North Coppice	-	8	7
A Quit-rent out of the Manor of <i>Bray</i>	-	67	5
Assert Rent out of the Seven Hundreds of <i>Cookham and Bray</i>	-	29	4
A Lease-rent out of the Manor of <i>Shaw</i>	-	23	7

## Fee-farm Rents.

A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Clewer</i>	-	54	16
A Rent out of the Mills of <i>Clewer</i>	-	6	0

## Lease-rents.

A Rent out of <i>Ward Mead</i> in <i>Eaton Manor</i>	8	6	0
A Rent out of Part of <i>Mustian's Farm</i>	-	2	12
A Rent of another Part there	-	1	6
A Rent out of Lands in <i>Boveney-Field</i>	-	0	1
A Rent out of Lands in <i>South-Field</i>	-	0	0
A Rent out of <i>Cock Close</i>	-	0	4
A Rent out of <i>Demesne Lands</i>	-	0	1
A Rent out of a Messuage in <i>Dorney</i>	-	4	9
A Rent out of <i>Saddock's Farm</i> in <i>Eaton-Week</i>	7	10	8
A Rent out of another Messuage there	-	3	6

## Quit-rents.

A Rent out of a House of <i>Henry Chilton's</i>	0	1	0
A Rent out of Lands there	-	0	15
A Rent out of <i>Cold-Norton</i>	-	0	9
A Rent out of <i>Stockdale's</i>	-	1	16
A Rent out of a House of <i>John Sexton's</i>	-	0	4
A Rent out of a Messuage there	-	0	1
A Rent out of a Garden there	-	0	2
A Rent out of Lands in <i>Eaton-Fields</i>	-	0	0
A Rent out of a House, <i>John Cox's</i>	-	0	1
A Rent out of <i>Harris's House</i>	-	0	0
A Rent out of <i>Badham's House</i>	-	0	3

## Fee-farm Rents.

£.	s.	d.
A Rent out of Part of the Manor of <i>Datchet</i>	41	2
A Rent out of the other Part of the same Manor	3	16
A Rent out of <i>Datchet, St. Hellen's Manor</i>	8	12
A Rent out of <i>Ditton Manor</i>	-	21
A Rent out of the Site of <i>Wizardsbury Manor</i>	13	6
A Rent out of the Farm of the said Manor	39	16
A Rent out of <i>Langly-Marsh Manor</i>	-	43
A Rent out of the <i>Demesne Lands</i> there	-	15
A Rent out of the Monastery of <i>Reading</i>	-	2
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Sulham</i>	-	0
A Rent out of Lands in <i>Compton Chomley</i>	-	1
A Rent out of the Manor of <i>Cuddeston</i>	-	1
A Rent out of the <i>Demesnes</i> of <i>Sampford Manor</i>	1	9
A Rent out of <i>Easthamsted Park</i>	-	10

Sum total £. 542 9 5½

Dated the  
13th Day of  
February,  
1699.*Will. Roberts*, Receiver of the Rents  
belonging to his Majesty's Honour  
and Castle of *Windsor*, and to his  
Counties of *Oxon* and *Berks*.Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table,  
to be perused by the Members of this House.

A Petition of several Merchants trading to *Spain* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That notwithstanding the high Duties laid on *French Goods*, yet the Petitioners have cause to believe, divers Persons have found out a Way to evade the Law, by importing *French Wines* from *St. Sebastian, Leghorne, Genoa*, and other Ports, and entering and paying Duties, only as *Spanish* and *Italian Wines*, to the great Prejudice of the fair Trader, and this Kingdom in general; for that, unless this pernicious Trade be prevented, it will much lessen the Exportation of Commodities from *England* to *Spain*; which are chiefly vested into *Spanish Wines* brought hither; which the Petitioners cannot vent, by reason of the Importation of *French Wines*, as aforesaid: And praying, That such Means may be used for preventing the said unfair Trading, and for the Encouraging the *Spanish Trade*, as the House shall think fit.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, who are appointed to prepare, and bring in, the Bill for the better preventing unlawful and clandestine Trade.

A Petition of several Merchants of *London* trading to *Portugall* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That since the high Duties laid upon *French Wines*, there have been great Quantities of Wines imported into this Kingdom from *St. Sebastian*, and other Ports in *Biscay*, and the *Streights*; which the Petitioners believe to be *French Wines*, because that, till lately, no Wines were brought from thence, nor any such Wines made near these Places; yet they are entered, and pay Duties as *Spanish* or *Italian Wines*: That the Petitioners do yearly export great Quantities of Woollen Manufactures, Fish, Lead, Tin, &c. to *Portugall*, the Returns whereof are chiefly their Wines; by which the Petitioners were considerable Losers the last Year, and are like to be greater this Year; for that since last Vintage several thousand Tuns of *French Wines* have been imported into *England* from *Biscay*, and the *Streights*; and greater Quantities are expected from thence, and the *Streights*: That this collusive Trade of bringing in *French*, under the Name and Duty of *Spanish* and *Italian Wines*, is not only prejudicial to the Petitioners, but the Nation in general; for that *French Wines* are not to be purchased without ready Money, but the *Portuguese* exchange for our Commodities; which advantageous trade must greatly abate, if the Petitioners cannot find Vent for their Wines: And praying the Consideration of the House thereof, that such Means may be used, for preventing the said national Mischiefs, as shall be thought meet.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, who are appointed to prepare, and bring in, the Bill for the better preventing unlawful and clandestine Trade.

Labourers and Servants.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for supplying some Defects in the Statutes relating to Labourers and Servants; and for the more speedy and effectual Payment of their Wages: And that Sir Theophilus Oglethorpe and Mr. Mompesson do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Fish taken by Foreigners.

A Petition of the Fishery, inhabiting the Town of *Folkstone*, in the County of *Kent*, a Member of the Cinque Ports, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, The said Town, within these 30 Years, is very much improved, and peopled by the Fishing Trade, who fish the whole Year throughout in the narrow Seas; but their chief Dependence is by fishing in Mackrel and Herring Seasons, between *Beachy Head* and the *North Foreland*, with a Fleet of about Ninety Sail; whereby themselves, and many poor People in the Country, are relieved, and many able Seamen raised: That the Petitioners are much discouraged in their said Fishery, since the Peace, by the *French* of *Diep* and *Bulloine*, who catch on our Coast great Quantities of Mackrels and Herrings, and sell them at Sea to *English* Smackmen; thereby ruining the Petitioners Trade, and glutting their Markets, and under colour of fishing, and dealing with such Smackmen, many *French* Commodities are commonly imported, and Wool, and the Coin of this Kingdom, unlawfully exported: And praying, That such Provision may be made for Preservation of the Petitioners Trade, and encouraging the *English* Fishery, as the House shall think meet.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent the Sale, within this Kingdom, of Fish taken by Foreigners in Foreign Vessels: And that Sir Philip Butler, Mr. Desbovery and Mr. Brewer, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Jeffes' Estate.

A Bill to enable *James Jeffes* Esquire to sell Lands in *Southminster*, in the County of *Essex*, for Payment of Debts, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Foley, Mr. Philip Foley, Mr. Gorge, Mr. Bertie, Mr. Scobell,

Mr. Morgan, Mr. Harley, Mr. Newport, Mr. Winington, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Cox, Mr. Fleming, Mr. Mompesson, Mr. Pierpoint, Mr. Price, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Thornhagh, Mr. Burrard, Sir Richard Farrington, Mr. Vernon, Sir Edmund Bacon, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Clayton, Sir Godfrey Copley, Mr. Henly, Mr. Dyot, Mr. Harley, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Herbert, Mr. England, Sir Alex. Denton, Mr. Palmes, Mr. Hobson, Mr. Gwyn: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Mr. Harley, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for taking the Estate in Law of several Messuages and Lands, mortgaged to *Jeffry* and *Edward Howland*, and their Heirs, out of the Marquis and Marchioness of *Tavistack*: And the same was received.

Howland's Estate.

Ordered, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

A Bill for the more speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery-lane* to *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, and Places adjacent, was read a Second time.

Passage from Chancery-lane to Lincoln's-inn Fields.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Brotherton, Sir Rich. Temple, Mr. Mompesson, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Harley, Sir Cha. Windham, Mr. Clayton, Doctor Davenant, Mr. Eyres, Sir Rowland Gwynn, Mr. Cox, Mr. Duke, Mr. Thornhagh, Mr. Foley, Mr. Wynn, Mr. Stonehouse, Mr. Vernon, Sir Jos. Jekill, Mr. Gwyn, Lord Chenie, Sir Fra. Windham, Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Archdale, Mr. White, Mr. Poultney, Sir Wm. Forrester, Mr. Asgill, Mr. Dalby, Mr. Egerton, Mr. Foley, Mr. Conyers, Sir Tho. Cook, Mr. Dormer, Mr. Price, Mr. Eyres, Mr. Newport, Mr. Clark, Mr. Coxper, Lord Fairfax, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Carr: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And are to have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

The House being informed, That Sir John Talbot, one of the Trustees for the Fee-farm Rents, attended according to Order;

Grants from the Crown.

He was called in; and at the Bar, presented to the House, the Contracts made for Sale of any Fee-farm Rents, or other Rents, since his Majesty's Accession to the Crown; with an Abstract thereof.

And then he withdrew.

And the said Abstract was read; and is as followeth; viz.

PERSONS NAMES.	COUNTIES.	per Annum.	Consideration.
To the Right Honourable <i>William</i> Earl of <i>Portland</i> - -	<i>Berks</i> - - - -	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
	<i>Bucks</i> - - - -	1,534 14 1	24,571 5 4
	<i>Kent</i> - - - -		
	<i>York, &amp;c.</i> - - - -		
To <i>Hump. Hetherington</i> Esquire - - - -	<i>Berks</i> - - - -	800 0 0	12,800 0 0
	<i>Bucks</i> - - - -		
	<i>Kent</i> - - - -		
	<i>Lancaster,</i> - - - -		
To <i>Rich. Adney</i> Esquire - - - -	<i>Durham</i> - - - -	700 0 0	11,600 0 0
	<i>York</i> - - - -		
	<i>Lincoln, &amp;c.</i> - - - -		
	<i>London</i> - - - -		
To <i>Sam. Newton</i> Gentleman - - - -	<i>Middlesex</i> - - - -	600 0 0	9,600 0 0
	<i>Essex</i> - - - -		
	<i>Norfolk</i> - - - -		
	<i>Northumberland</i> - - - -	199 19 11½	3,199 19 0
To <i>Henry Tyson</i> - - - -	<i>Berks</i> - - - -	14 5 3½	228 0 0
To <i>Richard Topham</i> Esquire - - - -	<i>Lincoln</i> - - - -		
To the Right Honourable <i>Charles</i> Earl of <i>Middlesex</i> and <i>Dorset</i> - - - -	<i>Essex</i> - - - -	500 0 0	8,000 0 0
	<i>Hertford, &amp;c.</i> - - - -		
	<i>Norfolk</i> - - - -	20 0 0	112 0 0
	<i>Northampton</i> - - - -	66 13 4	916 3 4

This last was a Confirmation of an old Grant passed by Warrant, and no Contract made for the same.

*Will. Haward, J. Talbott.*

Ordered, That the said Contracts and Abstract do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Petition of the *English* Merchants, in and about the

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City of *London*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, The Merchandize of a great Part of the Woollen Manufactures of this Kingdom is devolved into the Hands of Merchants Aliens, who chiefly export them on foreign Bottoms: And the Petitioners perceiving by the

Hamborough Company.

Votes



Votes of this House, that there is a Bill to be brought in, for taking off the Duties upon our Woollen Manufactures, thereby to encourage their Exportation; the Petitioners therefore pray, That this Encouragement may be to the Benefit of his Majesty's natural-born Subjects only; there being a great Disposition at this Time, in *English* Merchants, to improve the Exportation of our Woollen Manufactures.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for taking off the Duties upon Woollen Manufactures exported is committed;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Onslow, } 63.  
                                  { Mr. Foley :

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Lowther, } 104.  
                                  { Mr. Wortley :

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better Encouraging and Settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time upon *Thursday* Morning next.

Members  
summoned.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant do go with the Mace into *Westminster-hall*, and Courts there, and Court of Requests, and Places adjacent, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House.

And he went accordingly.

And, being returned;

State of the  
Nation.

The House, according to the Order of the Day, proceeded to consider of the State of the Nation.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Procuring or Obtaining of Grants of Estates, belonging to the Crown, by any publick Minister, concerned in the Directing or Passing such Grants, to or for their own Use or Benefit, whilst the Nation lay under the heavy Taxes of the late War, was highly injurious to his Majesty, prejudicial to the State, and a Violation of the Trust reposed in them;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Gwynn, } 182.  
                                  { Mr. Tredenham :

Tellers for the Noes, { Lord Coningsby, } 232.  
                                  { Mr. Boyle :

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to resume the Grants of all Lands, and other Revenues, of the Crown, and all Pensions granted by the Crown, since the 5th Day of February 1684; and for applying the same to the Use of the Publick: And that Sir *Richard Onslow*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, and Mr. *Lowndes*, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, consider further of the State of the Nation.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Dorrell's  
Claims.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Carter*, Sir *John Manwaring*, Mr. *Mounsteven*, Sir *Tho. Wagstaff*, Mr. *Dorrell*, Mr. *Hancock*, Lord *Cutts*, Colonel *Lee*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *John Dorrell* Gentleman, and the Answer of Colonel *Colembine* thereunto, are referred.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii*, 14° die *Februarii*;

12° *Gulielmi Tertii.*

PRAYERS.

Debtors  
Petition.

A PETITION of the poor Prisoners for Debt in the Gaol of *Newcastle upon Tyne* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they are very

numerous, most miserable, and very burdensome to the said Corporation, and their Families to Friends and Relations, as is set forth, in their printed Case, delivered to this House: And praying, That they may receive such seasonable Relief for their Enlargement, That their Creditors may not lose all their Right.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petitions relating to Prisons is referred.

A Petition of several of the Gentlemen, Clergymen, *Woollen* and other Inhabitants, of the adjoining Counties of *Montgomery* and *Merioneth*, in *North Wales*, on behalf of themselves, and many others subsisting on the *Woollen* Manufactures in those Parts, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Decay of Trade in the *Woollen* Manufactures is so visible with them, That their Poor daily increase; and those that make a shift to keep House are so reduced, that they cannot help to subsist their Fellow Christians and Trades-folks in the *Woollen* Manufactures; the Cause whereof they chiefly ascribe to the additional Duty laid on *Flanders* Linen, and the Prohibition of our Cloth there: And praying the Consideration of the House, for restoring and improving the Trade of the *English* *Woollen* Manufactory.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*; and particularly to consider of the Encouraging and Improving the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

A Petition of *Robert Broadnax*, Lieutenant Colonel to the Earl of *Warrington's* Regiment of Horse, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was one of the Party, that joined with the late Earl of *Warrington*, at the time of his Majesty's Landing for our Deliverance; and being best skilled in military Discipline, had the chief Conduct of that Party; for the Promoting of which Service the Petitioner spent the greatest Part of his Fortune, and never received any Consideration for the same; and afterwards he obtained a Commission to be Lieutenant Colonel of the said Regiment in the Service of *Ireland*, and was at great Expence to put himself in an Equipage for that Post; wherein he had not been Two Months, but he was cashiered, without any Fault, that he knows of, and sent Prisoner to *England*, without his Pay, his Horses and Servants being taken from him: And praying, That, by reason of his Losses and Disappointment, he being reduced to Want and Poverty, his Case may be taken into Consideration, and a Recompence for his Services and Losses appointed him.

*Broadnax's*  
Petition for  
Recompence.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Sheriffs, Citizens and Commonalty of the City of *Norwich*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners did heretofore, by their Indenture, grant to *Richard Barry* Esquire, and *Geo. Sorocold* Gentleman, several Licences and Privileges, upon their Undertaking to supply the Inhabitants of *Norwich* with River-water; and also another Indenture of Agreement hath been made between the Petitioners, and *Richard Soame* Merchant, and the said *Geo. Sorocold*, for the said Purposes: That, for securing and encouraging the said Undertaking, it is thought absolutely necessary, that the said Indentures be confirmed by Act of Parliament: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for confirming the said Indentures, and all Agreements in the same, it being consented to by the said Mr. *Soam* and Mr. *Sorocold*.

*Norwich*  
*Waterworks*.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Davy* and Mr. *Blofeld* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience within the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof, be read a Second time upon *Friday* next, at Eleven a Clock.

*Westminster*  
Small Debts.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Clothiers of *Salisbury*, relating to the Bill for prohibiting the Importation of Bone-lace, was referred, be made upon *Saturday* next, in a full House.

Gardner's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the real Estate of *Joseph Gardner*, and *Sarah* his Wife, late the Estate of *William Ridges* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold, for Payment of the Debts and Legacies therein mentioned, and applying the Residue of the Money upon Trustees therein specified, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Hayes*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Dore*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Crane*, Mr. *Blotfield*, Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Barnardiston*, Mr. *Campion*, Mr. *Wynn*, Mr. *Parkhurst*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Sir *Edw. Hungerford*, Sir *Henry Ashurst*, Sir *Abstr. Danby*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Darrell*, Mr. *Jolliffe*, Mr. *Bullock*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Dormer*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *Henry Parker*, Mr. *Morgan*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Ditto.

A Petition of *Francis Creswick* Esquire, and *Mary* his Wife, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill depending in the House for vesting the real Estate of *Joseph Gardner*, and *Sarah* his Wife, in Trustees, to be sold, is prejudicial to the Petitioners, and to disinherit them, they being Co-legatees with their Brothers and Sisters in the Will of their Father *William Ridges* Esquire, whose Estate the Premises to be sold was; and *Charles Ridges* endeavours to stifle a Settlement, whereby the Petitioners are intitled to a Remainder of Part of the Lands in the Bill: And praying, That the Petitioners may be heard touching the Premises; and that *James Ridges* may produce the said Settlement.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Pontefract  
Election.

A Petition of several Aldermen and Burgesses of the ancient Borough of *Pontefract*, in the County of *York*, in the behalf of themselves, and of the Majority of the Aldermen and Burgesses of the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That a late Election of *John Bright* Esquire, to serve in Parliament for the said Borough, being declared void by this House, a Writ issued for choosing another Burgess: At which Election, on the First Instant, several of the Petitioners, who have a Right to vote, offered to vote for *Robert Monckton* Esquire; but Mr. *Hastins Sayle*, the Mayor, arbitrarily refused to accept them, and admitted others to vote for the said Mr. *Bright*, who had no Right: That, if the Petitioners Votes had been taken, Mr. *Monckton* would have had the Majority; but the Mayor had unduly returned Mr. *Bright*, in Wrong to the Petitioners, and Mr. *Monckton*, who was duly chosen: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Robinson's  
Estate.

Sir *Henry Parker*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the vesting the Manor of *Overhall*, and other Lands, in the County of *Suffolk*, the Estate of Sir *Thomas Robinson* Baronet, under the Age of 21 Years, in Trustees, for the raising 7,000 *l.* for the Portion of *Anne Robinson*, his only Sister; and for the vesting the Lands, and personal Estate, of the said *Anne*, in the said Sir *Thomas*, in lieu thereof: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

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A Petition of several Merchants of the City of *London*, trading to *New York* in *America*, was presented to the House; setting forth, That the Petitioners about Nine Months since, petitioned the Commissioners of Trade, setting forth, That, by several Letters from their Factors at *New York*, and the Relation of divers Persons here in *England*, by the Mismanagement of the Earl of *Bellomont*, Governor of *New York*, the lawful Trade of that Province is much discouraged, and that their Effects there were in great danger; with several other Grievances; but the Petitioners received no satisfactory Answer thereto: Since which the said Earl hath put such other Hardships on the Merchants there, that, without some Redress, the Petitioners must withhold their Trade thither: And praying the House to take their Case into Consideration; and to examine such Persons as are here in Town from *New York*, touching the Matters complained of.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Jeremiah Basse* Esquire, and *John Lofting* Merchant, is referred: And that Sir *Barth. Shower*, Sir *John Puckington*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Sir *William Ashurst*, Sir *Hen. Ashurst*, Sir *John Bolles*, be added to the said Committee.

A Bill to bring fresh Water to the Town and Port of *Deal*, was read a Second time. Deal Water-works.

And the Petition of *William Ryder* Esquire, which lay on the Table, against the same, was again read.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of *Richard Martyn*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in 1697, he furnished the Royal Regiment of *Scotts* Dragoons with Cloaths and all other Accoutrements; and the said Regiment removing from the *English* Establishment to *Scotland*, there remains due to the Petitioner 2,390 *l.* 9 *s.* 9 *d.* as appears by his Accounts in the Lord *Ranelagh's* Office: And praying, That he may be paid out of the Arrears due to the said Regiment, or otherwise, as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Bill for adjusting the Debt due to the Army be brought in,

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Supply Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the more effectual Suppression of Piracies. Suppressing Piracy.

*Ordered*, That the adjourned Debate, upon the Bill for hindering Papists from disinheriting their Protestant Heirs, be further adjourned until To-morrow Sevensnight. Papists Protestant Heirs.

*Ordered*, That the Report for making the River *Dee* navigable, be made upon *Monday* Morning next. Dee Navigation.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned. Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

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Jovis, 15<sup>o</sup> die Februarii ;12<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.Cowper's  
Estate.

AN ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting Part of the Estate of *Thomas Cowper*, of the City of *Chester*, Esquire, in Trustees, for Payment of Debts, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Half-pay.

A Petition of Colonel *Baldwin Leighton* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was the first Commissioned Officer that appeared for his Majesty, and the Protestant Interest, in *Ireland*, upon the Revolution, and used his utmost Endeavours towards the rescuing that Kingdom out of Popish Hands; and, though great Solicitations were made to him, to continue in the Service of the late King *James*, with Promises of paying the Petitioner all his Arrears, amounting to near 1,000 *l.* yet he attended his Majesty with the Address and Association of the Protestant Nobility and Gentry of *Ireland*, before his Majesty's Accession to the Throne, and returned into *Ireland* with about 550 blank Commissions, and was made a Colonel himself; in which Service he suffered very great Losses: And there is due to him, for subsisting his Men, and his own Pay, the Sum of 2,400 *l.* besides his former Arrears: And praying, That he may have Half-pay as a Colonel, until his Arrears are paid, or he be otherwise provided for.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Beer and Ale  
Measures.

An ingrossed Bill for the ascertaining the Measures of Beer and Ale, according to sealed Measures, to be kept in every Town, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for marking of Glass and Earthen-ware Measures:

And the same was Twice read; and amended;

And then the same was read the Third time.

And the Question being put, That the Clause be made Part of the Bill;

It passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That the Act shall not extend to the Colleges and Halls in the Universities:

And the same was Thrice read, and agreed to be made Part of the Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill; Pr. 3. L. \*, after "same," to insert "and the said Standard Measures shall be delivered to every succeeding Officer:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill; Pr. \*, L. \*, to leave out "One Penny per Quart, and so in proportion," and insert "One Farthing per Measure:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the ascertaining the Measures for retailing Ale and Beer.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Pierpoint* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Exe  
Navigation.

A Petition of the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Commonalty, of the City of *Exeter*, and other the principal Citizens and Inhabitants of the said City, and County of the same, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners designing to make the River *Exe* navigable from the Sea to the said City, which will be of public Good to the Places adjacent, and increase his Majesty's Revenues there, have expended, for that Purpose, within 25 Years past, the Sum of 10,000 *l.* and the further Sum of 11,000 *l.* within the last Two Years; which

Sums are still owing from the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Commonalty, who, of themselves, are not able to complete the said Work: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for raising Money for perfecting the making the River *Exe* navigable.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter; and report the same, with their Opinion therein to the House, whether it be fit, that a Bill be brought in according to the said Petition:

And it is referred to Sir *Edward Seymour*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Carter*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Vernon*, Sir *Walter Yonge*, Sir *Roxland Gwyn*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Laxther*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Mr. *Weston*, Mr. *Vincent*, Mr. *Duke*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Mr. *Henley*, Mr. *Fortescue*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Mounsteeven*, Sir *Tho. Day*, Colonel *Granvill*, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Mountague*, Sir *Ja. How*, Sir *Geo. Rook*, Mr. *Campion*, Mr. *Greenhill*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *Blaake*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Sir *Wa. Young*, Sir *Arth. Owen*, Mr. *Thornhagh*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Devon* and *Cornwall*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And are to have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen, Freeholders, Merchants, Traders, and principal Inhabitants, of the City of *Exon*, paying Scot and Lot, was also presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said City has enjoyed a flourishing Trade for many Years; which was greatly advanced by the Convenience the Citizens have had, for above 100 Years, by bringing their Goods imported from foreign Parts, by Barges and Lighters, to the said City: But the Chamber of the said City, being intrusted with the Disposal of its Revenues, have unadvisedly undertaken to enlarge their Channels, through which the Lighters and Barges used to pass; and, for about 15 Months last past, have diverted the River out of its ancient Course, and totally deprived the Petitioners of their said Conveniency, to their very great Damage: That the said Chamber, being disappointed in their rash Undertaking, have desisted from prosecuting thereof; and refuse to apply the Revenues of the said City, wherewith they are only intrusted as Trustees, towards finishing the said Work, although they have sufficient for that Purpose; the same being, by their own Estimate, to be done for 5,000 *l.*: But, by indirect Practices, the Chamber have procured a Petition to be signed to this House, by great Numbers of poor Inhabitants of the said City, who are no way liable to pay Rates or Taxes, desiring Leave to bring in a Bill to assess the Inhabitants of the said City towards completing the said Work; which Tax, as it is altogether unnecessary, so it will be very grievous to the Petitioners: And praying, That they may not be burdened with an unnecessary Tax; but that the Revenues of the City may be applied to make the said River navigable, as formerly it was.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Commonalty, of the City of *Exeter*, is referred.

A Complaint being made to the House, That Mr. *Stuteville*, being summoned to attend a Committee of this House, as he was going away from the said Committee, was taken up by Sir *Talbot Clark* and one Mr. *Edmund Evans*; who detained him into their Custody, on Account of their being Bail for him;

*Ordered*, That the said Sir *Talbot Clark* and Mr. *Evans* do set the said Mr. *Stuteville* at Liberty.

Mr. *Conyers* reported, from the Committee of the Supply, whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in

in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, towards the Payment of his Proportion of the Debt owing to the Prince of Denmark.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, for the Carrying on the Coinage of the Gold and Silver of this Kingdom.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, for continuing the Contracts for circulating Exchequer Bills for One Year longer.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, towards making good the Deficiencies of the Aid of Three Shillings in the Pound, granted in the Eighth Year of his Majesty's Reign.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, towards making good the Deficiencies of the Duty upon Paper and Parchment, granted the same Session of Parliament.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, towards making good the Deficiencies upon Malt Tickets.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, towards making good the Deficiencies of the Quarterly Poll, granted in the Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, towards the Paying off the Debt due for Transport Service.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, towards the Payment of the Debt due to the Navy, and the Debt due for sick and wounded Seamen.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by adding, "and the Monies, to be raised, to be laid out in Lands in this Kingdom, and settled upon the Prince

and Princess, and their Issue, according to the Marriage Agreement:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, towards the Payment of his Proportion of the Debt owing to the Prince of Denmark; and the Monies, to be raised, to be laid out in Lands in this Kingdom, and settled upon the Prince and Princess, and their Issue, according to their Marriage Agreement.

The rest of the said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, That his Majesty will please to use his Endeavours to procure other Princes and States to pay their Proportions of the Debt due to the Prince of Denmark.

Debt due to Prince of Denmark.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Ways and Means.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Lowndes do lay before this House an Account of the Gross and Net Produce of all the deficient Aids.

Deficient Aids.

The House being acquainted, That Mr. Auditor Shaks attended at the Door;

Grants from the Crown.

He was called in: And, at the Bar, presented to the House an Account of all Grants passed and inrolled in his Division, since his present Majesty's Accession to the Crown.

And then he withdrew.

And the Title of the Account was read:

And the Account is as followeth, annexed hereunto.



An ACCOUNT of all Grants passed and inrolled in the Office of *Henry Shales* Esquire, one of the Auditors of his Majesty's Land Revenue, since his present Majesty's Accession to the Crown; made out, by Order of the Honourable House of Commons, the 9th of February 1699.

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Counties.	Manors, Lands, Rents, &c.	Consideration-money.	To whom granted.	By whom granted.	The Dates.	Term of Years.
Surry	THE Passage of <i>Richmond Ferry</i> - - - - -	20 <i>l.</i> - - - - -	To Lady <i>Mary Ash</i>	King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary</i>	12 Oct. Anno 1 <sup>o</sup> -	{ 28 Years after the Expiration of former Grants.
Kent	A Piece of Land in <i>Deale</i> , called the <i>Sea Vally</i> or <i>Beach</i> - - -	- - - - -	{ To <i>George Watson</i> Esquire	{ King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary</i>	7 Julii, Anno 2 <sup>o</sup> -	61 Years from the Date.
Berks	<i>Walton's</i> Mease in <i>Old Windsor</i> - - - - -	{ 20 <i>l.</i> and Consideration of Rebuilding	To <i>John Mitchell</i> Esquire	{ King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary</i>	9 Feb. Anno 3 <sup>o</sup> -	{ 31 Years after a former Grant.
Bucks	<i>St. John's</i> Wood in <i>Chipping Wiccombe</i> - - - - -	30 <i>l.</i> per Annum - - -	{ To <i>John Gibbons</i> Gentleman	{ King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary</i>	10 Martii, Anno 4 <sup>o</sup> -	{ 31 Years after a former Grant.
Kent	<i>Nethercombe</i> , alias <i>Eastcombe</i> Farm, in <i>East Greenwich</i> - -	90 <i>l.</i> - - - - -	{ To <i>Ralph Saunderson</i> Esquire	{ King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary</i>	28 June, Anno 4 <sup>o</sup> -	{ For 17 Years from Christmas, 1705.
Bucks	<i>Ward</i> Mead, in <i>Eaton</i> - - - - -	110 <i>l.</i> - - - - -	To <i>Thomas West</i> -	King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary</i>	1 June, Anno 5 <sup>o</sup> -	{ 31 Years from Michaelmas before the Date.
Surry	The Lodge in <i>Richmond</i> Old Park - - - - -	300 <i>l.</i> - - - - -	{ To <i>John Latten</i> Esquire	{ King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary</i>	11 Oct. Anno 6 <sup>o</sup> -	31 Years from the Date.
Bucks	Tythes in <i>Dinton</i> - - - - -	The Rent 5 <i>l.</i> - - -	{ To <i>Simon Maine</i> Esquire	{ King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary</i>	30 Dec. Anno 6 <sup>o</sup> -	{ 31 Years from Lady-day before the Date.
Kent	Waste Ground upon <i>Blackheath</i> - - - - -	{ 100 <i>l.</i> Fine, and 19 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> Arrears of Rent	To <i>Nicholas Lock</i>	King <i>Wm.</i> the 3d - -	9 <sup>o</sup> Martii, Anno 7 <sup>o</sup> -	{ 99 Years from Michaelmas before the Date.
Kent	{ An annual Rent of 54 <i>l.</i> 19 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i> issuing out of the Manor of <i>Northfleet</i> ; 20 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> issuing out of the Manor of <i>Shoreham</i> ; and 3 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> issuing out of the Manor of <i>Woodnesborough</i> - - -	{ 4 <i>l.</i> 18 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i> and in Satisfaction of reparable Rents, before granted -	To Sir <i>John Banks</i> Baronet	{ By the Trustees for Sale of Fee-farm Rents - -	{ 24 <sup>o</sup> Sept. Anno 2 <sup>o</sup> -	{ For ever.
Kent	{ Annual or Fee-farm Rents of 14 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> issuing out of the Manor of <i>River</i> ; 2 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> 1 <i>d.</i> out of Lands and Tenements in <i>Swinfield</i> , <i>Brockland</i> , and <i>St. Austins</i> ; 5 <i>s.</i> and 8 <i>d.</i> out of Lands in <i>Hakstow</i> ; 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> out of other Lands in <i>Halstow</i> ; 11 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i> out of Lands in <i>Upton</i> ; 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> out of other Lands in <i>Upton</i> ; 2 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> out of Lands and Tenements in <i>Brewers</i> , <i>Luckingdale</i> , <i>Farthings</i> , and <i>Wolton</i> ; 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> out of <i>Botson</i> ; 5 <i>s.</i> out of <i>Hoiny Gavil</i> ; 8 <i>s.</i> 5 <i>d.</i> out of the Manor of <i>Deane</i> ; 1 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> out of the Court Lodge of <i>Elmstead</i> ; 8 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i> out of <i>Park House</i> , and Lands called <i>Lindors</i> in <i>Folkstone</i> ; 1 <i>s.</i> 7 <i>d.</i> out of Part of the Manor of <i>Ashmerfeld</i> in <i>Wattam</i> ; 19 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i> out of the Manor of <i>Sheaford</i> ; 3 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> out of 25 Acres of Land in <i>Hackington</i> ; 11 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> out of the Manor of <i>Mayton</i> , alias <i>Mariton</i> in <i>Surry</i> ; 1 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> out of <i>North Willerton</i> ; 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> out of <i>Royhton</i> , alias <i>Shelve</i> ; 2 <i>s.</i> 7 <i>d.</i> out of Lands in <i>Sutton Valence</i> in <i>Parkendon Monry</i> ; 2 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> out of the Manor of <i>Nunington</i> ; 1 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> out of the Manor of <i>Ham</i> ; 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> out of the Manor <i>Westgate</i> ; 4 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> out of Lands in <i>Upper and Nether Court</i> ; 3 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> out of <i>Lecknor Court</i> ; 1 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> out of Lands in <i>Harbledowne</i> ; 10 <i>d.</i> out of other Lands in <i>Harbledowne</i> ; and 4 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> out of other Lands in <i>Harbledowne</i> - -	82 <i>l.</i> 15 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> and in Satisfaction of reparable Rents before granted - -	To Sir <i>John Banks</i> Baronet	{ By the Trustees aforesaid - - - - -	{ 24 <sup>o</sup> Sept. Anno 2 <sup>o</sup> -	{ For ever.

Counties.	Manors, Lands, Rents, &c.	Consideration-money.	To whom granted.	By whom granted.	The Dates.	Terms of Years.
Yorkshire.	Annual Rents of 10 s. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. of the free Tenants of the Town of <i>Killingham</i> , alias <i>Killinghall</i> ; 16 l. 15 s. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. out of the Towns of <i>Roffet</i> and <i>Beckwith</i> ; 16 l. 19 s. 10 d. out of the Town of <i>Bilton</i> ; 8 l. 18 s. 5 d. out of the Town of <i>Fettiscliffe</i> ; 4 l. 7 s. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. out of the Town of <i>Hampestrait</i> ; 2 l. 7 s. 4 d. out of the Town of <i>Munewith</i> ; 2 l. 14 s. 4 d. out of the Town of <i>Holme</i> ; 2 l. 5 s. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. out of the Town of <i>Darley</i> ; 2 l. 10 s. 3 d. out of the Town of <i>Thimble</i> ; 8 l. 17 s. 1 d. out of the Town of <i>Clifton</i> ; 5 l. 16 s. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. out of the Town of <i>Peakston</i> ; 14 l. 7 s. 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. out of the Town of <i>Clint</i> ; and 8 l. 8 s. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. out of the Town of <i>Birstrath</i> , alias <i>Birstratch</i> - - -	24,571 l. 5 s. 4 d.  <i>Memorand'</i> This Consideration was likewise for several other Rents in the said Grants not within my Division.	To Wm. Earl of <i>Portland</i> .	{ By the Trustees aforesaid. }	{ 18 <sup>o</sup> Sept. 8 <sup>o</sup> Williel- mi 3 <sup>tiu</sup> . }	For ever.
	Annual, or Fee-farm Rents of 19 s. out of the Manor of <i>Elmington</i> ; 7 s. 1 d. out of a Tenement and Land in <i>Crundall</i> ; Annual Fee-farm or Collection Rents of 17 l. 17 s. 5 d. out of the Reeveship of <i>Penshurst</i> ; 14 l. 13 s. 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. out of the Reeveship of <i>Cheevering</i> ; Annual or Fee-farm Rents of 15 s. out of the Tythes of <i>Offerdeon</i> ; 1 l. 5 s. 5 d. out of Lands in <i>Fringlesham</i> ; 1 l. out of <i>Englingwood</i> , alias <i>Heddingwood</i> ; 14 l. 8 s. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. out of the Manor of <i>Hildenborough</i> ; Annual Fee-farm or Collection Rents of 126 l. 1 s. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. out of the Bailiwick of <i>Wingham</i> ; Annual or Fee-farm Rents of 13 s. 4 d. out of divers Tenements in <i>Greerwich</i> ; 1 s. 4 d. out of several Tenements in <i>Pres-ton</i> ; 2 s. 4 d. out of Lands in <i>Bourdon</i> ; 2 s. out of Lands in <i>Godstone</i> ; 2 s. 6 d. out of the Manor of <i>Westram</i> ; 2 s. out of Lands in <i>Holling-bourne</i> ; 6 s. 8 d. out of Lands in <i>Borley</i> ; 5 s. out of Lands in <i>Milton</i> ; 3 s. 8 d. out of Lands and Tenements in <i>Faversham</i> ; 2 s. 8 d. out of Tenements in <i>Faversham</i> ; 1 l. 5 s. out of Lands and Tenements in <i>Ulcombe</i> ; and 5 s. 6 d. out of Lands in <i>Ulcombe</i> - - -					
Kent.	Divers Castle-guards, and other small Rents belonging to the Castle and Honour of <i>Windsor</i> , amounting in the Whole to 76 l. 3 s. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per Ann. Annual or Fee-farm Rent out of <i>Folly John Park</i> of 10 l. - - -					
Windsor.	Annual or Fee-farm Rents of 11 l. out of <i>Taplow</i> Mills; 13 l. 6 s. 8 d. out of the Manor of <i>Taplow</i> ; 14 l. 2 s. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. out of the Manor of <i>Holmer</i> ; 15 l. 0 s. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. out of the Manor of <i>Burnham</i> ; 7 l. out of the Fishing in <i>Burnham</i> ; A Lease-rent of 11 l. 18 s. 1 d. out of the Site of the Manor of <i>Burnham</i> ; Annual or Fee-farm Rents of 59 l. 6 s. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. out of the Manor of <i>Upton</i> ; 10 l. out of the Tythes of <i>Upton Grange</i> ; 4 l. out of the Tythes of the Demesne of <i>Upton</i> ; and 15 l. 11 s. out of the Tythes of the Manor of <i>Burnham</i> - - -					
Bucks.	96 Acres of Land and Pasture, lying in, or adjoining to, the several Vil-lages of <i>Southcave</i> , <i>Elleker</i> , <i>Broomfleat</i> , and the Hamlet of <i>Provest</i> , alias <i>Provathee</i> - - -	Rent 50 l. - - -	To Sir Tho. <i>Chichley</i> Knight.	{ King Wm. and Qu. Mary. }	18 <sup>o</sup> Mar. Anno 4 <sup>o</sup> .	{ 99 Years from Lady-day 1692. }
Yorkshire.	The Site of the Monastery of <i>St. Mary's</i> , in the Suburbs of the City of <i>York</i> , and the Palace or Mansion-house without the Walls there - - -	Rent 10 l. - - -	<i>Robert Walker</i> Esquire.	{ King Wm. and Qu. Mary. }	16 <sup>o</sup> Mar. Anno 4 <sup>o</sup> .	31 Years from the Date.
North-berland.	Two Fulling-mills near the late Monastery of <i>Newminster</i> - - -	Rent 10 l. - - -	<i>Tho. Urrayn</i> Gentle-man.	{ King Wm. and Qu. Mary. }	23 <sup>o</sup> Junii, Anno 4 <sup>o</sup> .	{ 31 Years from Michael-mas after the Date. }

Counties.	Manors, Lands, Rents, &c.	Consideration-money.	To whom granted.	By whom granted.	The Dates.	Terms of Years.
<i>Northum- berland and Durham.</i>	All the Island called by the Name of the <i>Holy Island</i> , with the Appurtenances - - - - -	150 <i>l.</i> - - - - -	{ <i>Barbary Colling- wood</i> , Spuister. }	King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary.</i>	30 <sup>o</sup> Nov. Anno 4 <sup>o</sup> .	{ 20 Years from <i>Lady- day</i> 1703. }
<i>Cumberland.</i>	Manor of <i>Asthurett</i> and <i>Randalinton</i> , the capital Messuage, with the Appurtenances called <i>Netherby-hall</i> - - - - - Manor of <i>Solan</i> and <i>Kinkendrews</i> - - - - - Manor of <i>Solport</i> , with the Appurtenances - - - - - Manor and Forest of <i>Nicholl Forest</i> - - - - - A Messuage, &c. called <i>Shanks</i> , alias <i>Raburnhall</i> ; and a Farm and Grange, called <i>Barton Gill</i> - - - - - Manor of <i>Nunnington</i> ; and capital Messuage, called <i>Nunnington-hall</i> , with the Appurtenances - - - - - 3 Oxgangs in <i>Pickhall</i> - - - - - Reversion, &c. of the Manor of <i>Burton upon the Wolds</i> , with the Appurtenances - - - - -	500 <i>l.</i> Rent. - - - - - 300 <i>l.</i> Rent. - - - - -	{ <i>Chas. Earl of Carlisle</i> , <i>Sir Geo. Fletcher</i> , Ba- ronet, and <i>Tho. Ben- low junior</i> , Esquire. }	King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary.</i>	5 <sup>o</sup> Mar. Anno 6 <sup>o</sup> .	{ 99 Years from <i>Lady- day</i> 1693. }
<i>Yorkshire.</i>	Which last-mentioned Premises in <i>Cumberland</i> and <i>Yorkshire</i> was Parcel of the forfeited Estate of <i>Sir Richard Grahme</i> Baronet.	Rent 2 <i>l.</i> and $\frac{1}{2}$ Part of the Profits.	{ <i>Geo. Tushingham</i> Gentleman, }	King <i>William</i> the 3d.	18 Aug. 1696.	31 Years from the Date.
<i>Yorkshire.</i>	{ Mines and Veins of Lead, within the Territories and Fields of } <i>Grinton</i> , <i>Whitaside</i> , <i>Harkaside</i> , and <i>Fremington</i> - - - - -	Rent 1 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i>	{ <i>Tho. Neal</i> Esquire, and <i>Mich. Thompson</i> Gentleman. }	King <i>William</i> the 3d.	28 Aug. Anno 9 <sup>o</sup> .	31 Years from the Date.
<i>Durham.</i>	{ Coal Mines in <i>Lanton Hills</i> , alias <i>Lampton Hills</i> , within the Manor } of <i>Softley</i> , within the Common Fields of <i>Wickham</i> , and within several } Parcels of Lands, called <i>Brinkburne Lands</i> , alias <i>King's Lands</i> }	{ Rent 3 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> and } $\frac{1}{10}$ Part of the Profit. }	<i>Edward Hindmarsh</i> Gentleman.	King <i>William</i> the 3d.	8 Oct. Anno 9 <sup>o</sup> .	{ 15 Years from 27 Sept. 1712. }
<i>Northum- berland.</i>	Coal Mines, &c. in the Fields of <i>Beaside</i> and <i>Cowpen</i> - - - - -	Surrender of Annuity of 300 <i>l.</i>	{ <i>Alex. Johnstoun</i> Esquire. }	King <i>Wm.</i> the 3d.	5 <sup>o</sup> Aug. Anno 9 <sup>o</sup> .	{ 21 Years from <i>Lady- day</i> before the Date. }
<i>Yorkshire.</i>	<i>Sir Roger Strickland</i> - - - - -	Rent 200 <i>l.</i> - - - - -	{ <i>Tho. Preston</i> Esquire. }	King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary.</i>	7 <sup>o</sup> Junii, Anno 1 <sup>o</sup> .	{ 21 Years from <i>Lady- day</i> next after the Date. }
<i>Lancashire.</i>	The Site of the Monastery of <i>Forncis</i> - - - - -	3 <i>l.</i> - - - - -	<i>Robert Price</i> Esquire.	King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary.</i>	29 Mar. Anno 4 <sup>o</sup> .	{ 29 Years after a former Grant. }
<i>Hereford.</i>	{ A Messuage, with Land, Meadow, and Pasture, in <i>Clifford</i> ; a } Tenement, with the Appurtenances, in <i>Huntington</i> ; another } Tenement, with Garden and Appurtenances, in <i>Huntington</i> , } called the <i>Kay Worwill</i> , and a Piece of Land in <i>All Saints</i> - }	- - - - -	<i>Geo. and John Sayer</i> } Esquires. }	King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary.</i>	17 <sup>o</sup> Junii, Anno 5 <sup>o</sup> .	{ 99 Years after Q. Dowager. }
<i>Worcester.</i>	2 Cottages and Lands in <i>Tenbury</i> - - - - -	- - - - -	<i>Wm. French</i> Esquire.	King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary.</i>	23 Junii, Anno 5 <sup>o</sup> .	{ 31 Years from <i>Lady- day</i> 1692. }
<i>Lancashire.</i>	{ All that the Manor or Lordship of <i>Muchland</i> , with divers other } Lands and Tenements - - - - -	- - - - -	<i>Mr. John Webster.</i>	King <i>William</i> the 3d.	22 Feb. Anno 7 <sup>o</sup> .	{ 21 Years from <i>Lady- day</i> 97. }
<i>Hereford.</i>	Divers Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, in <i>Kingston</i> and <i>Huntington</i> }	- - - - -				
<i>Essex.</i>	A Tenement, called <i>Bushells</i> in <i>Lumborne</i> - - - - -	- - - - -				
<i>Lancashire.</i>	<i>Saltmill Hayes</i> , in <i>Clitheroe</i> - - - - -	15 <i>l.</i> - - - - -				

Counties.	Manors, Lands, Rents, &c.	Consideration-money.	To whom granted.	By whom granted.	The Dates.	Terms of Years.
Lancashire	Monastery of <i>Furneis</i> - - - - -	200 <i>l.</i> Rent - - -	{ <i>Thomas Preston</i> Esquire - - -}	King <i>William</i> the 3d. - -	27 Aprilis, Anno 7 <sup>o</sup> .	31 Years from the Date.
Surry - -	The Manor of <i>Egham</i> , with divers free and customary Rents -	571 <i>l.</i> 1 <i>s.</i> 11½ <i>d.</i> -	{ <i>Wm. Blathwait</i> Esquire - - -}	King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary</i> -	23 <sup>o</sup> Feb. Anno. 6.	{ 99 Years after Q. Dowager.
Kent - -	{ <i>Paulton</i> Farm and <i>Abbot's</i> Wood, and divers Lands in the Parish of <i>Alkam</i> - - - - -}	- - - - -	{ <i>To Tho. Edolph</i> Esquire - - -}	King <i>Wm.</i> and Qu. <i>Mary</i> -	26 May Anno 2 <sup>o</sup> .	{60 Years from Michael- mas, 29.
Bucks - -	{The <i>Christopher</i> Inn in <i>Eaton</i> , with divers Messuages, Lands, and Tenements - - - - -}	- - - - -	To <i>Jane Platt</i> -	King <i>Wm.</i> the 3d. - -	10 Julii, Anno 7 <sup>o</sup> .	21 Years from the Date.
Surry - -	<i>Parkhill</i> in <i>Rigate</i> Manor - - - - -	Rent 30 <i>l.</i> - - -	Sir <i>John Parsons</i> -	King <i>Wm.</i> the 3d. - -	5 <sup>o</sup> Julii, Anno 7 <sup>o</sup> .	31 Years from the Date.
Sussex - -	{250 Cartloads of Charcoal, and 30 Cords of Wood, yearly, out of St. <i>Leonard's</i> Forest - - -}	150 <i>l.</i> Fine, and 36 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> Rent.	{Mrs. <i>Mary Calfe</i>	King <i>Wm.</i> the 3d. - -	27 Martii, 7 <sup>o</sup> .	For ever.
Kent - -	{A Tenement, called <i>Nethercombe</i> , alias <i>Eastcombe</i> , newly built Deptford Ditch, with a small Piece of Ground adjoining thereto A Little Messuage upon the Waste of <i>Deptford</i> Manor, in <i>Kingstreet</i> <i>West Broomfield</i> , in <i>Deptford</i> Parish - - - The capital Messuage or Site of the Manor of <i>Saye's</i> Court, near <i>Deptford</i> - - - - - Rents of Assize of the free and customary Tenants in <i>East Peckham</i> , amounting to 11 <i>l.</i> per Ann. - - - Rents of Assize in the Manor of <i>East Farleigh</i> , and other Rents, called 'Treasury Rents, amounting to 49 <i>l.</i> 18 <i>s.</i> 2½ <i>d.</i> per Ann. - Divers Rents of Assize in <i>Swinfield</i> , amounting to 13 <i>l.</i> 2 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> per Ann. - - - - -}	- - - - -	{ <i>Charles Bertie</i> , <i>Samuel Traverser</i> , <i>James Herbert</i> , and <i>Rich. Parys</i> , Es- quires - - -}	King <i>William</i> the 3d. - -	16 Junii An <sup>o</sup> 8 <sup>o</sup> -	{ 31 Years after Queen Dowager.
Surry - -	{Manor of <i>East Moulsey</i> , &c. <i>Hampton Court</i> Ferry, &c. - - - Fishing at <i>Cobham</i> - - - <i>Richmond</i> Ferry - - - <i>King's Bench</i> and <i>Graneir</i> , <i>Southwark</i> The <i>Pike</i> Garden - - - The Site of the Monastery of <i>Sheene</i> , alias <i>West Sheene</i> , alias <i>Richmond</i>	Good Services - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -
Sussex - -	{Lands, &c. called <i>Northey</i> - - - Messuages, Rents, Lands, &c. called <i>Oldbury</i> and <i>Sea Beach</i>	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -
Bedford -	<i>Amphill</i> Great Park, & <i>al'</i> - - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -
Oxon - -	{Waste Ground and Soil in <i>Stowood</i> , valued at 50 <i>l.</i> per Ann. Waste Ground and Soil in <i>Shotover</i> , valued at 50 <i>l.</i> per Ann.	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -
Yorkshire -	<i>Hallifax</i> Tythes, amounting to 89 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> per Ann - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -



Counties.	Manors, Lands, Rents, &c.	Consideration-money.	To whom granted.	By whom granted.	The Dates.	Terms of Years.
Surry -	A Messuage and Appurtenances in <i>Richmond</i> - - -	-	To <i>Anne Hopper</i> -	King <i>William</i> the 3d. -	30 <sup>o</sup> Maii, Anno 8 <sup>o</sup> -	31 Years from <i>St. John</i> Baptist after the Date.
Surry -	The Manor of <i>Rigate</i> and <i>Howleigh</i> - - -	-	To <i>Joseph Jeakill</i> Esquire - - -	King <i>William</i> the 3d. -	20 April, Anno 9 <sup>o</sup> -	For ever.
Berks -	A Messuage, called <i>King Henry</i> the 8th, <i>New Windsor</i> - - -	-	To <i>Richard Topham</i> Esquire - - -	King <i>William</i> the 3d. -	1 <sup>o</sup> Maii, Anno 9 <sup>o</sup> -	31 Years from Michaelmas 1715.
	Cock Close in <i>Eaton</i> - - -	-	To <i>Henry Earl of Romney</i> - - -	King <i>William</i> the 3d. -	31 <sup>o</sup> Aug. Anno 9 <sup>o</sup> -	21 Years from the 10 of June 1701.
Kent -	The Mansion-house of <i>East Greenwich</i> , called the <i>Queen's House</i> , with the Park there - - -	-	To <i>Matthew Weston</i> Esquire - - -	King <i>William</i> the 3d. -	18 Feb. Anno 9 <sup>o</sup> -	31 Years from the Date.
Sussex -	Lands, &c. called <i>Pagham Tarrs</i> , the <i>Horsheads</i> , <i>Kennermarsh</i> , <i>Kenner Farm</i> , and <i>Baily's Slip</i> - - -	-	To <i>Wm. Lanbard</i> Esquire - - -	King <i>William</i> the 3d. -	2 <sup>o</sup> Feb. Anno 9 <sup>o</sup> -	61 Years from Lady-day 1728.
Kent -	The Site of the Manor of <i>Gillingham</i> - - -	-	To <i>Lav. Earl of Rochester</i> - - -	King <i>William</i> the 3d. -	28 <sup>o</sup> Oct. Anno 10 <sup>o</sup> -	30 Years from Lady-day 1730.
Surry -	7 Acres of Woodland, in <i>Richmond New Park</i> - - -	-	To <i>Sir Nic. Sherborne</i> - - -	King <i>Wm.</i> the 3d. -	18 Feb. Anno 10 <sup>o</sup> -	28 Years from Lady-day 1738.
Bucks -	<i>Hawkeshill</i> , <i>Woodend</i> , <i>Abbyswood</i> , &c. - - -	100 l.	To <i>John Mitchell</i> Esquire - - -	King <i>William</i> the 3d. -	11 Maii, Anno 11 <sup>o</sup> -	25 Years and $\frac{1}{2}$ from Lady-day 1704.
Lancashire -	Divers Messuages, Lands, and Tenements in <i>Dalby</i> in <i>Kirkpatrick</i> , in the <i>Isle of Man</i> - - -	20 l.	To <i>William Smith</i> Esquire - - -	King <i>William</i> the 3d. -	26 Maii, Anno 11 <sup>o</sup> -	21 Years from 1700.
Berks -	3 Tenements in <i>Old Windsor</i> , and a Messuage, called <i>Walton's</i> Messuage - - -	250 l.	To <i>Wm. Aldworth</i> Esquire - - -	King <i>William</i> the 3d. -	26 Maii, Anno 11 <sup>o</sup> -	For ever.
Berks -	Lands called <i>Kingsbury</i> , & <i>al'</i> - - -	-	To <i>Rich. Topham</i> Esquire - - -	King <i>William</i> the 3d. -	6 Junii, Anno 11 <sup>o</sup> -	99 Years from the Date.
Berks -	A Tenement and Garden, called <i>Frogmeare</i> ; 2 Closes in <i>New Windsor</i> ; 3 Acres of Land in <i>Spelthurst</i> ; a capital Messuage, called <i>Frogmore</i> , and divers other Parcels of Land in <i>Datchet Mead</i> , and <i>Old and New Windsor</i> - - -	1,307 l.	To <i>John Poemey</i> Esquire - - -	King <i>William</i> the 3d. -	27 Junii, Anno 11 <sup>o</sup> -	99 Years from the Date.
Berks -	<i>Avelyn's</i> Grove, alias <i>Frogmore</i> Grove; the Sign of <i>King Henry</i> the 8th; 4 Pieces of Ground, from the <i>Castle</i> to the <i>New Park</i> - - -	196 l.	To <i>Wm. Williams</i> , Esquire - - -	By the Trustees for Sale of Fee-farm Rents.	15 Martii, Anno 11 <sup>o</sup> -	For ever.
Berks -	Manor of <i>New and Old Windsor</i> , and <i>Mussian's</i> Farm - - -	80 l.	To <i>Nathanael Brand</i> and <i>James Pember</i> Esquires - - -	King <i>William</i> the 3d. -	4 <sup>o</sup> Nov. Anno 11 <sup>o</sup> -	For ever.
Northumberland -	Divers Fee-farm small Rents, amounting to 201 l. 19 s. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per Ann. - - -	3,199 l. 19 s.				
Kent -	The Manor of <i>Old Court</i> , & <i>al'</i> - - -	-				
Sussex -	<i>Sedgwick Park</i> , & <i>al'</i> - - -	2,000 l.				

Counties.	Manors, Lands, Rents, &c.	Consideration-money.	To whom granted.	By whom granted.	The Dates.	Terms of Years.
Warwick-shire } Stafford-shire }	The Site of the Demesne Lands of the Priory of <i>Alvecote</i> , and divers other Messuages, Lands, and Tenements in <i>Alvecote</i> aforesaid; and the Manor of <i>Shutington</i> and <i>Alvecote</i> Wood; with divers other Premises - - - - -	{ Reprisals for what fell short of certain forfeited Estates of <i>Rich. Faggam</i> and <i>Plunket</i> , in <i>Ireland</i> }	To <i>Tho. Lord Coningsby</i> .	King <i>William</i> the 3d.	30 Aprilis Anno 9 <sup>o</sup>	{ For ever, after Queen Dowager. }
Surrey - -	<i>Oatland</i> House, and <i>Oatland</i> Park, with the Appurtenances - - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	For ever.
London - -	{ A large Messuage in <i>Serjeants-Inn</i> in <i>Fleet-street</i> , containing Eight Rooms, in the Tenure of Sir <i>Thomas Rookesby</i> - - - - - }	- - - - -	{ To <i>John Agar</i> Esquire. }	King <i>William</i> the 3d.	20 July Anno 8 <sup>o</sup>	{ The Remainder of a former Grant. }
Lancaster -	Several small Fee-farm Rents, amounting to 44 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> per Ann.	3,200 <i>l.</i>	To <i>Leonard Hancock</i> and <i>John Warner</i> Esquires.	By the Trustees aforesaid.	{ 6 <sup>o</sup> Jan. Anno 9 <sup>o</sup> } <i>Wilhelmi</i> 3 <sup>tti</sup> .	For ever.
Westmerland	Several Fee-farm Rents, amounting to 39 <i>l.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i> per Ann. - -					
Cumberland	Several Fee-farm Rents, amounting to 11 <i>l.</i> 14 <i>s.</i> 11 <i>d.</i> per Ann. - -					
Warwick -	Several small Rents, amounting to 11 <i>l.</i> 19 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> per Ann. - -					
Leicester -	{ Several Fee-farm Rents in the said County, amounting to 22 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> per Ann. - - - - - }	2,400 <i>l.</i>				
<p><i>Memorandum.</i> I cannot possibly give a perfect Account of all Grants since his Majesty's Accession to the Crown, pursuant to the Order of this Honourable House, by reason several hath been within the Division of other Auditors, and not before me; and besides, there hath been lately several Rents claimed, as purchased of the Trustees for Sale of Fee-farm Rents within my Division; but, the Deed not being inrolled before me, I cannot give that Account of his Majesty's Revenue within my said Division which I ought or could do, if all Grants were inrolled in due Course accordingly. All which is most humbly submitted to this Honourable House.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Per <i>Henry Shales</i>, Auditor.</p>						

*Ordered*, That said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Employing  
the Poor.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the better relieving and employing the Poor of this Kingdom.

State of the  
Nation.

The House, according to the Order of the Day, proceeded to consider further of the State of the Nation.

*Ordered*, That Candles be brought in.

And they were brought in accordingly.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, representing to him the Resolutions of this House, of the 18th of January last, relating to the Grants of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Resolved*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do humbly know his Majesty's Pleasure, when he will be attended by this House.

State of  
Revenue.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the State of his Majesty's Revenue.

State of  
Trade.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee, to consider further of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England*.

Hamborough  
Company.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better encouraging and settling the Trade of the *Hamborough* Company be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Framework-  
knitters.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Barnardiston*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Bethell*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Sir *Wm. St. Quintin*, Mr. *Yates*, Sir *Abstr. Danby*, Serjeant *Wogan*, Mr. *Probert*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Framework-knitters, inhabiting in the Counties of *Nottingham*, *Leicester*, and *Derby*, is referred.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Veneris, 16<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;*

12<sup>o</sup> Gulielmij Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Deal Water-  
works.

A PETITION of *William Rider* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the late King *James* the Second, by his Letters Patents, did grant unto the Petitioner, and *Edward Burdet* Esquire, the sole Liberty and Power to erect a Conduit, Wharf, and other Buildings, upon the Beach of *New Deal*; and to dig the Highways, Streets, and waste Grounds, for laying Pipes, and bringing fresh Water to the said Town; which will be a great Advantage to the Inhabitants, and all Shipping resorting thither, where they have no fresh Water at present: But the Petitioner, who purposeth to supply the said Necessity from a River called the *North Stream*, it being the Opinion of able Engineers, that it cannot be done by Well-water, cannot effectually perform this Undertaking, without breaking up some small Part of the Soil of some Persons, lying between the Town and the said River: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill to enable him to perform and complete his Undertaking for bringing fresh Water to the Town of *Deale*.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Robert Davers* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of Colonel *John Mitchelborne*, late Gover-

nor of *Londonderry*, in behalf of himself, and the Regiment lately under his Command, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That in 1698, the Petitioner petitioned this House, setting forth the Sufferings and Services of the said Regiment, in defending the said City against the late King *James*, for which their whole Pay remained in Arrear; which Petition was referred to a Committee; who reported, That the Petitioner had fully proved the Allegations of his Petition; and the House was pleased by an humble Address to recommend them to the King, for such Compensation as he should think fit; but they have not yet received any Benefit thereby: That, upon stating the Accounts of the Army, the said Regiment is not brought into Pay, 'till January 1699; which excludes them Ten Months and Twenty-five Days short of any other Regiments; notwithstanding they mustered, and did Duty equal with the rest of the Army: And that, besides the Arrears due to the Petitioner as Colonel of the said Regiment, there is due to him, as Governor of *Londonderry*, 992*l.* as appears by the said Report, for which he hath not hitherto received any Pay or Reward: And praying, That his Case may be taken into Consideration; and that Provision may be made for the Payment of his Arrears, either with the Arrears of the Army, or otherwise, as shall be thought meet.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill for adjusting the Debt to the Army be brought in.

A Petition of divers of the Clergy of the County of *Norfolk*, in behalf of themselves and others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That \* \* \* \*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Bill for reviving the said former Act is committed.

A Petition of the most considerable Traders in the Fustian and Linen Manufactures, in the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That many thousands of Families get their Livelihood by the said Manufactures; but the Poor, who are intrusted with Cotton, Fustian, West Yarn, and Cloth, cheat the Petitioners, being thereto encouraged by Persons who buy it of them, at a Half, or great Under-value; and for that the Law is defective in bringing such Offenders to speedy Punishment; so that the Petitioners dare not trust and employ the Poor, who, for want of Work, are reduced to extreme Poverty: And praying, That some Expedient may be provided, by a Clause to be inserted in some Bill, depending in the House, for preventing the Mischief aforesaid, and for Encouragement of the said Manufactures.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants, and sending them whither they ought to be sent, is committed: And that they have Power, if they think fit, to receive a Clause according to the said Petition.

A Petition of the Master, Wardens, and Fellowship of Tallow Chandlers, within the City of *Bristol*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That \* \* \* \*.

\* \* That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

A Bill to enable *Edward Mansell* Esquire, to mortgage and sell the Improprate Rectories of *Llanridian* and *Penrice*, in the County of *Glamorgan*, for Payment of his Debts, and raising Portions for his younger Children; and for settling the Manor of *Henlys*, and other Lands, of more Value; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Vaughan*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Morgan*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Pierpoint*,

Army  
Arrears.

Petition from  
Norfolk.

Frauds by  
Work-people  
in Linen  
Manufac-  
tures.

Bristol  
Tallow  
Chandlers.

Mansell's  
Estate.

*Pierpoint*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Fleming*, Mr. *Dyot*, Sir *Henry Parker*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Nicholson*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Sir *John Packington*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Bulkly*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Onslow*, Mr. *Price*, Sir *Robert Dacres*, Mr. *Vernon*, Sir *Jacob Ashley*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Thursby*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon*, and for *Wales*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Signing  
Associations.

Mr. *Mompesson*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to prevent Disputes that may arise by Members of Corporations having neglected to sign the Association in due time: And the same was received, and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Tuesday Morning next.

Robinson's  
Estate.

A Bill for vesting the Manor of *Overhall*, and other Lands in the County of *Suffolk*, the Estate of Sir *Thomas Robinson* Baronet, under the Age of One-and-twenty Years, in Trustees, for the raising 7,000*l.* for the Portion of *Anne Robinson*, his only Sister; and for the vesting the Lands, and personal Estate, of the said *Anne*, in the said Sir *Thomas*, in lieu thereof; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Monday Morning next.

Clobery's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Debts of *John Clobery* Esquire, deceased; and for raising Portions and Maintenance for his Children; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Fortesque*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Sir *Fra. Child*, Sir *Robert Dacres*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Morgan*, Mr. *Carter*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Sir *Edward Ernyly*, Mr. *Travers*, Mr. *Dyott*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Greenhill*, Mr. *Freke*, Mr. *Cox*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Avon  
Navigation.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the former Act, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to *New Sarum*, more effectual, was committed, be made Tomorrow Morning.

Brixton  
Land Tax.

A Petition of the Freeholders and others, of the Hundred of *Brixton* and Borough of *Southwark*, in the County of *Surry*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have paid 4*s.* 6*d.* and 5*s.* 6*d.* in the Pound, upon the two last 3*s.* Aids upon Land, by reason many Persons, whose Estates were in Money, have since lost the same in Trade; others, who paid double, have complied with the Law, and now pay but single; and many others have removed out of the said Hundred and Borough; and many Families are impoverished by the great Fires in *Bermondsey*, and other Places; whereby the Petitioners are grievously burdened by the present Land Tax: And praying to be relieved in the succeeding Taxes.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debt due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions, is committed;

It passed in the Negative.

Restoring  
Fitzharris.

Sir *John Packington* reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of Sir *Henry Fitzharris* Baronet, was referred, That they had examined and considered the same, and had agreed upon Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his

Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same \* \* \* \*

That, upon Examination of the Allegations contained in the said Petition, it did appear, That the Estate of Sir *Edward Fitzharris* Baronet, the Petitioner's Grandfather, was, immediately after the Rebellion in 1641, granted to *Robert Oliver* Esquire, and others, who possessed themselves thereof; the said Sir *Edward* being neither outlawed, attainted, or convicted of any Crime:

That by the Act of Settlement and Explanation, made in the 17th and 18th Years of the Reign of the late King *Charles the Second*, it is, amongst other Things, enacted, That the said Sir *Edward Fitzharris*, with several others therein named, their Heirs and Assigns, should be restored unto their several and respective Seats, as they should respectively choose, in Two Months after the Sitting of the Commissioners for examining the said Act, and of 2,000 Acres of Land thereunto adjoining, if they, or any of their Ancestors, or any in Trust for them, were seised of so much, upon the 22d of October 1641; subject nevertheless to the Proviso following; viz.

That if any Person or Persons shall, within the Space of Six Months, next after the Royal Assent to this Bill actually given, allege before the Lord Lieutenant, or other chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*, and Council there, that the said Sir *Edward Fitzharris* hath committed any Massacre, Murder, or any such heinous Crime or Cruelty, upon the Persons of any of his Majesty's good Subjects; and shall prove the same by such Witnesses, or other Evidence, as the said Lord Lieutenant, or other chief Governor or Governors, and Council there, shall think good Proof; that then, and in such Case, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Lord Lieutenant, or other chief Governor or Governors there, by Order of the Council, to declare and adjudge him the said Sir *Edward Fitzharris* to be guilty of the Crimes and Cruelties so alleged and proved as aforesaid; and, upon such Declaration and Judgment, the said Sir *Edward Fitzharris*, and his Heirs, shall be, and are hereby made, incapable of any Benefit or Advantage in and by this present Act given, or of any Restitution as aforesaid; but shall remain and be, to all Intents and Purposes, in the same Plight and Condition as he or they would have been, if the said Sir *Edward Fitzharris* had not been named in this present Act:

That there is a Clause in the said Act, for an Equivalent to the Tenants in Possession:

That it appeared to the Committee, by an attested Copy of an Order made by the Lord Lieutenant and Council of *Ireland*, the 25th Day of May 1666, That the said *Robert Oliver* exhibited a Petition at the Council Board, setting forth, That the Petitioner was able to prove the said Sir *Edward Fitzharris* guilty of such Crimes, as would render him incapable of any Benefit by the said Act: To which Petition the Defendant Sir *Edward* did appear, and answer: And the Cause being, according to Appointment, then heard, in the Presence of both Parties, and their Counsel, and upon full Hearing thereof, and of such Witnesses or Evidences as were then produced, it was by the said Lord Lieutenant and Council declared, That no Proof, by Witnesses or other Evidences, had been produced before them, whereby they might be induced to declare and adjudge the said Sir *Edward Fitzharris* to be guilty of any Massacre, Murder, or such other heinous Crime or Cruelty, committed upon the Person of any of his Majesty's good Subjects:

That it likewise appeared to the said Committee, That *Edward Fitzharris*, Son and Heir to the said Sir *Edward Fitzharris*, was, about the Time mentioned in the said Order, or soon afterwards, married to a Protestant, by whom he had Issue the Petitioner, who hath been educated in the Protestant Religion; and the said Sir *Edward Fitzharris*, who was a bigoted Papist, refused to prosecute his Claim to his said Mansion-house, and 2,000 Acres of Land, which all, or the greatest Part, of the Persons named, with the said Sir *Edward Fitzharris*, in the said Act of the 17th and 18th Years of the said late King *Charles the Second*, had obtained; and often declared,



declared, That, seeing his Heirs at Law were Hereticks, he did not care what became of the said Estate.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the said Sir *Henry Fitzharris* hath fully proved the Allegations contained in his said Petition.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the House be moved for Leave to bring in a Bill to restore the said Sir *Henry Fitzharris* to the Estate of Sir *Edward Fitzharris*, his Grandfather, deceased.

The First Resolution being read a Second time ;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the said Sir *Henry Fitzharris* hath fully proved the Allegations contained in his said Petition.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time ;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to restore the said Sir *Henry Fitzharris* to the Estate of the said Sir *Edward Fitzharris*, his Grandfather, deceased ;

It passed in the Negative.

Excise  
Laws re-  
specting  
Brewers.

A Petition of the Masters, and Keepers or Wardens, and Commonalty of the Mystery and Art of Brewers, of the City of *London*, and the rest of the Brewers in the Weekly Bills of Mortality, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That it is the Property of all *Englishmen* to be tried by a Jury ; but that Right was taken away from the Petitioners by an Act of the 12th *Car. 2d.* for granting certain Impositions upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors ; whereby all Forfeitures and Offences were to be heard by the Commissioners of Excise, from whom an Appeal was to be had to Commissioners of Appeals to be appointed by his Majesty, whose Judgment was to be final : That the Offences comprised in the said Act were but few, and the Forfeitures small ; but, by several late Acts, very great Penalties are inflicted for small Offences, and a Moiety given to Informers : And although, by the last Acts, it is directed, That the Penalties shall be recovered by Information, &c. in *Westminster-hall* ; yet Liberty is thereby given, that such Penalties may be recovered by such Ways as by the said Act ; by which Means, there has not one Penalty been sued for at *Westminster*, as the Petitioners know of : That the Gaugers also charge the Petitioners with more than they ought, against which, the Petitioners have made Complaints ; but the Commissioners of Excise will not hear or relieve them before Payment of the Duty, contrary to the Meaning of the said Act, as the Petitioners conceive : The Commissioners also refuse to appoint the Hearing of such Complaints against Overcharges in Course ; whereby they often . . . many Months and Years unheard ; but, upon Information of a Penalty, the same is forthwith heard, adjudged, and levied upon the Petitioners, who, at the same Time, have many Complaints depending of much elder Date ; and though positive Evidence be given of such Overcharges, yet the Complainants are denied Relief : That many Times the Petitioners have Drink returned, which has paid the Duty ; and they are forced to start, or put again into new Drink, then in the Tuns ; which though done in Presence of the Gaugers, yet they charge the same again with the full Duty of Excise, for which the Petitioners are forced to pay double Duty : And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for their Relief in the Matters aforesaid.

*Ordered*, That the Petition do lie upon the Table until the House shall resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the State of his Majesty's Revenue.

Impartial  
Proceedings  
in Parlia-  
ment.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of a Bill touching free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament ; and nothing to intervene.

Call of the  
House.

*Ordered*, That the House be called over on this Day Sevensnight : And that such Members as shall not then

attend, be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for taking away the Duties upon Woollen Manufactures exported. Woollen Ma-  
nufactures,  
&c.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty. Ways and  
Means.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred, and had come to several Resolutions ; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move the House, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, after the Committee upon the Bill touching free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill, for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick ; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions. Supply Bill ;  
Irish For-  
feitures and  
Land Tax.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Papers relating to Half-pay are referred, be made upon *Tuesday* Morning. Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived. Committees.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, appointed to inspect the Commissions of the Peace, and Commissions to Deputy Lieutenants, as they now stand, and as they were Seven Years last past, have Leave to sit To-morrow Morning. Commission-  
ers of the  
Peace.

*Ordered*, That the Committee appointed to examine the Proceedings relating to Charters, and what new Charters have been granted during this Reign, have Leave to sit again To-morrow Morning. Charters.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Sabbati, 17° die Februarii ;*

12° *Gulielmi Tertii.*

PRAYERS.

*ANDREW Richier* took the Oaths appointed, in order to his Naturalization.

*Ordered*, That Major *Holmes*, Sir *Abstrupus Danby*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Morgan*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Lewis*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Freke*, Mr. *Blisse*, Mr. *Eyres*, Mr. *Saunderson*, Mr. *Phillips*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Jeremiah Basse* Esquire, and *John Lofting*, Merchant, is referred. Earl of Del-  
lombert's  
Conduct.

Mr.

Jacobson's  
&c. Nat.

Mr. *White* reported, from the Committee, to whom the Bill for naturalizing *Theodore Jacobson*, and others, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

County  
Gaols.

Colonel *Bierly*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable Justices of Peace to repair the Gaols in their respective Counties: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read on *Monday Morning* next.

Debtors Pe-  
tition.

A Petition of the Prisoners for Debt, in his Majesty's Gaol at *Durham*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That their Misfortunes and Losses brought them to Gaol; where they are close shut up, where the Closeness of the Place, and Number of Prisoners, hath caused a raging Fever amongst them, of which several are dead, and it doth not only threaten the rest, but the City itself is also in Danger of that Contagion: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petitions relating to Prisons are referred.

Siderfin's  
Estate.

Mr. Serjeant *Coward* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Manor of *Exton*, and other Lands, in the County of *Somerset*, late the Estate of *Tho. Siderfin* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts, was committed, That they had examined and considered the same; and had found the Allegations therein to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents thereunto, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Norwich  
Water-works.

Mr. *Dacy*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for confirming a Lease granted by the City of *Norwich* to *Richard Barry* and *George Sorocold*; and another Deed between the said City, and *Richard Soame*, and the said *George Sorocold*: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read upon *Tuesday Morning* next.

Exporting  
Wool.

A Petition of *John Purchase*, Wool-merchant, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That he has found out a Way to prevent the Exportation of Wool, the Laws hitherto made for that Purpose being ineffectual: And praying, That a Committee may be appointed to examine the Petitioner's Proposals.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to examine what has been done, upon the former Laws, against the Exportation of Wool; and for the encouraging the Woollen Manufacture; and to report the same, with their Opinions of what may be further necessary to be done: And that the Petitioner do attend the Committee thereupon.

Bourges',  
&c. Nat.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to naturalize *John Bourges*, *Peter Boning*, and others: And that Mr. *Rayner* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Howland's  
Estate.

A Bill for taking the Estate in Law of several Messuages and Lands mortgaged to *Jeoffry* and *Edward Howland*, and their Heirs, out of the Marquis and Marchioness of *Tavistock*, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Wednesday Morning* next.

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An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to supply the Loss of certain Indentures of Lease and Release, heretofore made by *Philip Holman* Esquire, since deceased, to *George Holman* his Son, now also deceased, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. *Clark*, from the Commissioners of the Excise, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of Adjudications, Mitigations, and Reversals, of Penalties and Forfeitures, from *Midsummer* 1683, to *Midsummer* 1699: And the Title thereof was read.

The same is in a Book by itself.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

An ingrossed Bill for preventing of frivolous and vexatious Suits in the Principality of *Wales*, and the Counties Palatine, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for Preventing of frivolous and vexatious Suits in the Principality of *Wales*, and the Counties Palatine.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Robert Edon* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Mr. *Godolphin*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the more effectual preventing and punishing unlawful and clandestine Trading: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read upon *Monday Morning* next.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for erecting a Judicature to relieve poor Officers and Soldiers, touching their Pay detained from them, and other Injuries complained of, was committed, be taken into Consideration upon *Monday Morning* next.

*Ordered*, That the Petitions relating to the Q's and R's, and the Report from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, be taken into Consideration upon *Wednesday Morning* next, before the House resolves itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to his Majesty; and nothing to intervene.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blofield*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *White*, Sir *Edward Hungerford*, Mr. *Asgill*, Mr. *Machell*, be added to the Committee, to whom it is referred to consider what Laws are expired, and near expiring, and fit to be continued.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *Fleet Prison*, and for Dissolution of the said Prison, be now read a Second time.

The Bill was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Carter*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Fax*, Mr. *Vernon*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Traverse*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *Duke*, Mr. *Dyot*, Sir *Fra. Blake*, Mr. *Godolphin*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *Edward Ernly*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Richard Farrington*, Mr. *Winington*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Greenfield*, Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *Bristow*, Sir *Fra. Child*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Vernon*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Sir *Cha. Windham*, Mr. *Car*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Blofield*, Mr. *Perry*, Mr. *Davis*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Mitchell*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Surry*, *Middlesex*, and *London*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the Reports and Petitions, which were laid upon the Table until the said Bill was read a Second time, be referred to the said Committee.

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Ordered,

King's Bench  
Prison.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *King's Bench* Prison, and for Dissolution of the said Prison, be now read a Second time.

The Bill was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed, upon the Debate of the House.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *Fleet* Prison, and for Dissolution of the said Prison, is committed.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the Reports and Petitions, which were laid upon the Table until the said Bill was read a Second time, be referred to the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause, for saving the Right of the Duke of *Leeds*, touching a Fee-farm Rent issuing out of the Manor of *Husely*.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Edmund Denton* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Bone-lace.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Clothiers of *Salisbury*, relating to the Act for prohibiting the Importation of Bone-lace, was referred, be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Impartial  
Proceedings  
in Parlia-  
ment.

The House, according to the Order of the Day, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the more free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* reported from the said Committee, That they had had gone through the Bill, and made some Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Ways and  
Means.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, towards raising the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, only One Moiety of the several Duties paid upon the Importation of Tallow Candles from *Ireland* be drawn back upon the Exportation thereof.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the forfeited and other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, to be vested in Trustees, for the Benefit of the Publick, be applied towards Satisfaction of the Debt to the Army, the Transport Debt, and Tallies or Tickets, upon deficient Funds.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a further Duty be laid upon Wrought Silks, Bengalls and Stuffs mixed with Silks or Herba, of the Manufacture of *Persia*, *China*, or *East India*, and all Callicoes painted, dyed, printed, or stained there, until the 30th of *September* 1701.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Allborough,  
&c. Elec-  
tions.

*Ordered*, That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Allborough*, in the County of *York*; and touching the Election for the Borough of *Corf-Castle*, in the County of *Dorset*; be made upon *Thursday* Morning next.

The House, according to the Order of the Day, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the Thirtieth Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen and for other necessary Occasions.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bills.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Thurland*, Mr. *Eyres*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Drake*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable *James Jeffes* Esquire to sell Lands in *Southminster*, in the County of *Essex*, for Payment of Debts, is committed.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Lunæ*, 19<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

12<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of *Giles Stephens*, Lieutenant in the Regiment commanded by the late Lord *Lovelace*, was presented to the House, and read, setting forth, That the Petitioner was early in taking up Arms upon the late Revolution; and was a Lieutenant in the said Regiment, from the first raising thereof, until it was broke into Sir *Henry Bellasys*' Regiment in *Ireland*; where the Petitioner was a Stranger, destitute of Subsistence, and sick a long time after; all which was very expensive to him; and also the Petitioner sustained great Losses by the late King *James's* Army, at his House at *Egham*: And praying, That he may be inserted in the List of Officers allowed Half-pay, as other Officers of the said Regiment have.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, with other Petitions of the like Nature.

A Petition of *Michael Edwards*, and *Jane* his Wife, formerly the Wife of *Richard Parker*, late of *Ifield*, near *Gravesend*, in the County of *Kent*, Gentleman, deceased; and of *Henry Parker*, Son and Heir of the said *Richard Parker*; and of *William Parker*, and *Martha* his Wife, Daughter of the said *Richard* and *Jane*; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said *Richard Parker* was possessed of an Estate in or near *Gravesend* and *Ifield* aforesaid; and mortgaged the same to *Robert Brooks* Gentleman for 900 *l.* which is yet due, and a great deal of Interest: That *Richard* by his Will, devised the same to his said Son and Daughter equally; and, in case they died without Issue, then to his said Wife *Jane*: That *Henry* and *Martha* are under Age, and cannot do any Act in Law to redeem the said Premises: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Petitioners to sell Part of the said Estate, to discharge the said Incumbrance thereupon, in regard of the said Nonage.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Mompesson*

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.Jeffes's  
Estate.

Half-pay.

Edward's  
Estate.

*Mompesson* and *Mr. Vernon* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

D'Harcourt's, &c.  
Nat.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the Naturalization of *Oliver D'Harcourt*, and others, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Mr. Bertie*, *Mr. Brotherton*, *Mr. Dormer*, *Mr. Clark*, *Mr. Tibney*, *Sir Robert Edon*, *Mr. Dyot*, *Mr. Egerton*, *Sir Rich. Onslow*, *Mr. Yates*, *Sir John Mordant*, *Mr. Molineux*, *Mr. Mompesson*, *Mr. Osborne*, *Sir John Philips*, *Mr. Pye*, *Sir Rich. Cocks*, *Mr. Winington*, *Sir Godfrey Coply*, *Mr. Lowther*, *Mr. Cox*, *Mr. Hughes*, *Mr. Hancock*, *Mr. Rayner*, *Mr. Vernon*, *Mr. Foley*, *Mr. White*, *Mr. Shack-erly*, *Mr. Blofeld*, *Mr. Pierpoint*, *Mr. Duke*, *Mr. Proby*, *Mr. Phillips*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Howland's  
Estate.

A Petition of Dame *Mary Hudson*, Relict of *Sir Henry Hudson* Baronet, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner is advised, the Bill in the House for taking the Estate in Law of several Messuages and Lands mortgaged to *Jeffrey* and *Edward Howland*, and their Heirs, out of the Marquis and Marchioness of *Tavistock*, as it is now drawn, will greatly prejudice the Petitioner's Estate for Life, in Part of the said Lands: And praying, That she may be heard by Counsel, against the said Bill, before the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Westminster  
Small Debts.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience within the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof, be read a Second time upon *Thursday* next, at Twelve a Clock.

Passage from  
Chancery-  
lane to  
Lincoln's-  
inn-fields.

A Petition of *Shem Bridges* and *John Thorncroft* Esquires, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill brought into this House for the more effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery-lane* into *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, and Places adjacent, upon Suggestion that it is for a publick Good, and at the Desire of many of the Inhabitants; but the Petitioners are intitled to several Houses standing in the said new-intended Passage, which are to be pulled down, and the Ground employed in the said Passage, on Terms to which the Petitioners never agreed: And praying, That they may be heard by Counsel, against the said Bill, before the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

Land-Tax.

A Petition of the Landlords, &c. of the Parish of *St. George's*, in the Borough of *Southwark*, in the County of *Surry*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have paid above Four and Five Shillings in the Pound to the Land Tax for the Two last Years, by reason the Rents in the said Parish are fallen almost one Half within these Six or Seven Years last; and some Landlords have had their Houses stand empty, who have paid, for Taxes, more than Half the Rent received; which they are ready to prove: And praying, That they may be eased in the future Taxes.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty for maintaining his Majesty's Guards and Garisons, and towards paying the Debt due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions, is committed;

It passed in the Negative.

Fraudulent  
Insurances.

A Petition of several Merchants and others, in the City of *London*, was presented to the House, and read;  
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setting forth, That the fair Trade of Insurance of Ships is a great help to Trade in general; but of late Years many Frauds and Deceits have been acted therein, to the great Discouragement of the fair Traders, and Navigation: And praying, That the Affair of Insurance may be settled, to prevent such Frauds and Deceits therein.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent fraudulent Insurances: And that *Mr. Edward Harley* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Bill for vesting the Manor of *Overhall*, and other Lands, in the County of *Suffolk*, the Estate of *Sir Tho. Robinson* Baronet, under the Age of 21 Years, in Trustees, for the raising 7,000*l.* for the Portion of *Anne Robinson* his only Sister; and for the vesting the Lands, and personal Estate, of the said *Anne*, in the said *Sir Thomas*, in lieu thereof; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Sir Henry Parker*, *Sir Robert Davers*, *Lord Disert*, *Mr. England*, *Sir Rich. Cocks*, *Mr. Blofeld*, *Sir Robert Edon*, *Mr. Mounsteven*, *Mr. Davy*, *Mr. Hysham*, *Mr. Scobell*, *Mr. Thursby*, *Mr. Whitchcott*, *Mr. England*, *Mr. Lowther*, *Mr. Hancock*, *Mr. Mompesson*, *Mr. Dyot*, *Sir John Bolles*, *Mr. Stonehouse*, *Lord Cheney*, *Mr. Rayner*, *Mr. Vernon*, *Mr. Bulkly*, *Sir John Mordant*, *Mr. Foley*, *Lord Hyde*, *Mr. Dalby*, *Mr. Nicholson*, *Mr. Banks*; and all that serve for the County of *Suffolk*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* next, in a full House, take into Consideration the Act for preventing Expences in Elections.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Sloane*, a Member of this House, do attend in his Place upon *Saturday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the Crown do attend this House, upon *Saturday* next, with the Writ and Return for the Borough of *Thetford*, in the County of *Norfolk*.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions.

*Mr. Speaker* left the Chair.

*Mr. Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair.

*Mr. Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bills.

*Ordered*, That all Committees do sit this Afternoon.

*Mr. Secretary Vernon* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had been pleased to appoint to be attended, by this House upon *Wednesday* next, at Four a Clock in the Afternoon, at *Kensington*.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the more free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament was committed, be made upon *Friday* Morning next.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the State of his Majesty's Revenue.

*Ordered*,



**Fleet Prison.** Ordered, That Sir *Abstr. Danby*, Sir *Wm. Villers*, Mr. *Manaton*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Pye*, Major *Wilkins*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Herbert*, Mr. *Onslow*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *Fleet Prison*, and for Dissolution of the said Prison, is committed.

**Passage from Chancery-lane to Lincoln's-inn-fields.** Ordered, That Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Thurland*, Mr. *York*, Mr. *Onslow*, Mr. *Jenings*, Sir *Wm. Blacket*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Wm. Forester*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Hooper*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Weston*, Sir *Edward Vane*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery-lane* to *Lincoln's-inn-fields* is committed.

**Charters.** Ordered, That Mr. *Rowney*, Sir *Charles Bloys*, Mr. *Parker*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Sir *Edm. Bacon*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *Gourdon*, Mr. *Archdale*, Mr. *Asgill*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, be added to the Committee, to whom it is referred to examine all the Proceedings relating to Charters; and what new Charters have been granted during this Reign.

And then the House adjourned till *Wednesday Morning* next, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii, 21<sup>a</sup> die Februarii;*

*12<sup>a</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.*

**Exporting Bark.**

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A PETITION of the Aldermen, Stewards, and Company of Tanners, within the City of *Chester*, on behalf of themselves, and others of their Trade, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bark of Trees, which is absolutely necessary for the tanning of Leather, is become scarcer than formerly, great Quantities being ground to Dust, made up into Casks, and exported to *Ireland*; which Practice, if continued, will ruin the Petitioners Trade, and damage the Landed Men of *England*, by rendering raw Hides of little Value: And praying, That a Remedy may be provided against the Exporting of Bark into *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

**Foreign Cordage.**

A Petition of the Master Ropemakers in and about the City of *London*, on behalf of themselves, and several other Masters and Journeymen of the same Trade, belonging to the several Sea Port Towns of this Kingdom, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by the late Practice of importing great Quantities of foreign Cordage, and Cable Yarn, the Petitioners are greatly impoverished, the Plantations, which are chiefly supplied therewith, ill served, because it is not well wrought, and the King's Duties diminished; all which is occasioned by the Drawback, being 5s. 7d. outward, and but 5s. 11d. inward Duty, per Hundred; so that the King hath but 4d. per C. Weight, which encourages the Merchants to import foreign Cordage; whereas, if the same were made in *England*, the Hemp pays 2s. 6d. Duty inwards, and the wrought Cordage 6d. outwards; and thereby the Petitioners would be employed, and the Plantations well served: And praying that the Drawback upon foreign Cordage, and Cable Yarn, may be taken off.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

**Harrison's Estate.**

A Petition of *Richard Harrison*, of *New College* in the University of *Oxon*, Gentleman, Executor of the last Will and Testament of *George Harrison*, his Brother, deceased,

and *Dorothy Harrison*, Widow, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said *George* was seised, at the time of his Death, with other Things, of the Reversion and Inheritance of the Farm of *Nethercott*, in the Parish of *Lewknor*, in the County of *Oxon*, in Remainder, after the Death of his Mother the said *Dorothy*, who is willing to sell her Estate for Life for a reasonable Satisfaction: That *George*, being indebted to several, charged his whole real and personal Estate with his Debts, Legacies, and Funeral Charges; but, by the Penning of the Will, the real Estate cannot be sold until his Son, an Infant about Two Years of Age, comes at Age: And, the personal Estate being very insufficient to pay the Debts, the Petitioners therefore pray Leave to bring in a Bill for selling the Farm of *Nethercot*, for Payment of the Debts and Legacies of the said *George Harrison*, which are charged thereupon.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Dalby* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Petition of *John Kelly* was presented to the House, **Victualling Department.** and read; setting forth, That, at the Opening of this Session of Parliament, the Petitioner gave to divers Members of this House an Abstract of several Articles against the Commissioners of the Victualling, in order to lay them before the House; but the said Commissioners, to prevent the Petitioner's Discovery, and frighten such Evidence as might appear against them, have imprisoned the Petitioner in the Prison of the *Tower Liberty*, upon Two sham Actions; the Articles against them being of so high a Nature, that, upon Examination thereof, it will appear, that the Nation has been abominably cheated: And praying the House to take the said Articles into Examination.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the Fact to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Hamond*, Sir *Tho. Davall*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Shallet*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Sir *John Fagg*, Mr. *Mitchell*, Mr. *Hysham*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Blysse*, Mr. *Thursby*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Freke*, Sir *Wm. Coriton*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Harly*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Dryden*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Proby*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Captain *Clayton*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Freke*, Sir *Hen. Parker*, Sir *Hen. Gough*, Mr. *Pye*, Sir *Jacob Banks*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And are to have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Sir *Robert Davers*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the supplying the Town and Port of **Deal Water-works.** *Deal* with fresh Water: And the same was received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

A Petition of the Twelve Governors of the Hereditaments and Goods of the Church of *Crediton*, alias *Kirton*, in the County of *Devon*, their Assistants and Guardians, incorporated by virtue of an Act of Parliament made in the 10th Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, intituled, An Act for erecting Hospitals, Work-houses, and Houses of Correction, within the Town and Parish of *Crediton*, in the County of *Devon*; and for the better Relief of the Poor there; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there... many Hundreds of poor People in the said Parish employed in the Woollen Manufactures, some of which commit small Thefts, under the Value of 12d. and confess the same; who are thereupon committed to Prison, where they lie several Months, and their Families, during that time, are wholly maintained at the Charge of the Parish, and often return greater Thieves than before; and many are not prosecuted, for fear of bringing a greater Charge upon the said Parish, so that they often proceed to commit greater Crimes: And praying, That a Clause may be inserted in one

**Frauds by Work People in Woollen Manufacture.**

one of the Acts now passing for the better Employing of the Poor, or some other Act, to empower such Corporation, or any of their Courts, to call before them any poor Person of their Parish, that shall be accused to have committed Petit Larceny; and if they confess the same, that the Corporation may be empowered to order such poor Persons to be sent to their House of Correction, and there be publicly whipped for the said Offence, without being sent to the common Gaol.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the better employing the Poor, and setting them on Work, is committed, have Power to receive a general Clause for punishing such Offenders by the Corporations erected, and to be erected, for the Employment of the Poor.

Vagrants.

*Ordered*, That Sir Wm. St. Quintin, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Henly, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants, and sending them whither, by Law, they ought to be sent, is committed.

Holman's Indenture.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to supply the Loss of certain Indentures of Lease and Release, heretofore made by Philip Holman Esquire, since deceased, to Gorge Holman, his Son, now also deceased, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Lord Chenie, Mr. Mountstephens, Mr. Thornhagh, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Dyot, Mr. England, Sir John Mordaunt, Mr. Price, Mr. Thursby, Sir Edward Hussey, Mr. Eyres, Mr. Cox, Mr. Hancock, Sir Rich. Cocks, Sir Robert Davers, Sir Wm. Drake, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Tredenham, Mr. Rayner, Mr. Shackerly, Mr. Blake, Sir John Rogers, Mr. Dormer, Sir Henry Seymour; and all that serve for the Counties of Northampton and Oxon: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Pontefract Election.

The House being acquainted, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections had appointed the Matter, touching the Merits of the Election for the Borough of Pontefract, in the County of York, to be heard upon the 6th Day of March next; by which Day several Witnesses, who are at a great Distance, cannot be brought up to attend the said Committee;

*Ordered*, That the Merits of the said Election be heard by the said Committee, upon Friday the 15th Day of March next.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir John Franklyn and Sir Lazen William Child;

Mr. Speaker,

Merefeild's Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for settling the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, late of Robert Merefeild and John Merefeild Esquires, deceased; and for ascertaining the Proportions between the Widow of the said Robert and his surviving Children: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House: Also,

Employing the Poor.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the more effectual employing the Poor, by encouraging the Manufactures of this Kingdom, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Dce Navigation.

Sir Joseph Jekill reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable the Mayor and Citizens of the City of Chester to recover and preserve the Navigation upon the River Dce was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be taken into Consideration upon Saturday next, at Twelve a Clock.

Thetford Election.

A Petition of Edmund Soame Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That on the 26th of January last, this House resolved, That James Sloan

Esquire, in treating the Corporation of Thetford, in the County of Norfolk, has been guilty of a Breach of the late Act of Parliament for preventing of Expences in Elections; and a new Writ issued for electing a Burgess to serve in this Parliament for the said Borough, in his room: Yet the said Mr. Sloan hath procured himself to be again returned, though the Petitioner was duly elected a Burgess upon the said new Election, Mr. Sloan being incapacitated to sit in this House, as advised: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until Saturday Morning next, when the Act against Expences in Elections is to be taken into Consideration: And the said Mr. Sloan is to attend.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Greenhill have Leave to go into the Country, for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions. Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Sir William Morley have Leave to go into the Country, for Recovery of his Health.

A Petition of the Clergy of the County Palatine of Lancaster was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That it is manifest great Numbers of Popish Priests openly appear in Companies in the most populous Towns of the said County, and seduce whom they can from the Protestant Religion, and their Affection to the Government: And praying, That some effectual Method may be used to stop the Growth of Popery, and prevent the insolent Behaviour and Attempts of Popish Priests.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Report be made from the Committee appointed to inquire how far the Laws against Popish Recusants have been put in Execution; and to inspect and review the said Laws; and to report their Opinions upon the same to the House; and also to propose what further Remedies are necessary to suppress the Growth of Popery in these Kingdoms, and to strengthen the Protestant Interest.

Mr. How reported from the said Committee, That they had considered the Matter to them referred, and had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That it does not appear to the Committee, That the Laws against Popish Recusants have generally been put in Execution.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a further Reward be given to such Persons as shall discover and convict Popish Priests or Jesuits.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That it will be a further Remedy against the Growth of Popery, That perpetual Imprisonment be inflicted upon Popish Priests convicted upon the Oath of One or more Witnesses.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That no Person born after the 25th of March 1700, being a Papist, be capable of inheriting any Title of Honour, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, within the Kingdom of England, Dominion of Wales, or Town of Berwick upon Tweed.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That no Papist be capable of purchasing any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, within the Kingdom of England, Dominion of Wales, or Town of Berwick upon Tweed, either in his own Name, or in the Name of any other Person in Trust for him.

The First and Second Resolutions being severally read a Second time; the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Third Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by adding, after "Priests," "and Popish School-masters:"

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And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That it will be a further Remedy against the Growth of Popery, That perpetual Imprisonment be inflicted upon Popish Priests, and Popish School-masters, convict upon the Oath of One or more Witnesses.

The Fourth and Fifth Resolutions being severally read a Second time; the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That a Bill, or Bills, be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that the said Committee do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Expiring  
Laws.

Mr. *Mompesson* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to consider what Laws are expired, and near expiring, and fit to be continued; and who were to consider of the Law which enjoins Carriers to go with double Shafts, and how far it may be explained, in regard the same is found impracticable; That the said Committee had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That that Part of the Act made in the Seventh and Eighth Years of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for the better amending and repairing the Highways, and Explanation of the Laws relating thereunto, which enjoins all travelling Waggon, Wains, Carts, and Carriages, to be drawn with a Pole between the Wheel-horses, or with double Shafts, has been found impracticable in some Roads, and inconvenient in most Roads of this Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That the said Resolution be re-committed to the same Committee, upon the Debate of the House: And that they do consider how far it may be for the Benefit of the Roads to injoin Carriers to go with less Weight; and report their Opinion therein to the House: And that Sir *Tho. Willoughby*, Mr. *Varney*, Mr. *Willkins*, Major *Holmes*, be added to the said Committee.

Portsmouth  
Garrison  
Debts.

A Petition of the several Inhabitants of *Portsmouth*, as Mercers, Grocers, Taylors, Shoemakers, Brewers, Bakers, Butchers, Maltsters, Cheesemongers, Chandlers, and other Tradesmen, was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have given Credit to the Gunners of *Portsmouth* Garrison, from the First of April 1693, to the Second of December 1699; for which there is due to the Petitioners about 2,000*l.* who contracted Debts for the same, and are daily threatened with Actions: That the Petitioners are informed there is due to the said Garrison, for Arrears of Pay, the Sum of 3,412*l.*: And praying, That such speedy and effectual Means may be used for Payment of the Debt due to the said Garrison, who are Debtors to the Petitioners, as shall be thought fit; whereby the Petitioners may receive their Debts justly due to them.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of the Gunners of his Majesty's several Garrisons of *Dover* Castle, *Sandgate* Castle, *Walmer* Castle, *Deal* Castle, *Sandown* Castle, *Archcliff* Fort, and *Moats* Bulwark, within the Jurisdiction of the Cinque Ports, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners Pay is but Six-pence a Day, one Half of which is in Arrear for Seven Years; which has brought them in Debt, and great Extremity; and are informed the Cause of the said Arrear is, for that no particular Provision hath been made in any Act of Parliament for Payment thereof: And praying, That their Arrears may be taken into Consideration, and they relieved for the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Bone-lace.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Clothiers of *Salisbury*, relating

o the Bill to prevent the Importation of Bone-lace, is referred, be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Petitions and Reports from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, touching Q's and R's, be taken into Consideration on *Tuesday* Morning next.

Seamen's  
Arrears.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Bill for the erecting a Judicature to relieve poor Officers and Soldiers, touching their Pay detained from them, and other Injuries complained of, be taken into Consideration on *Tuesday* next.

Judicature  
for Relief  
of Officers  
and Soldiers.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the more effectual Suppression of Piracy.

Suppressing  
Piracy.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Ways and  
Means.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That all Committees for this Afternoon be adjourned.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be so revived, that they may sit To-morrow Morning at Ten a Clock, and for that Day only.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the State of his Majesty's Revenue.

State of  
Revenue.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates, and Interests, in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garrisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the better employing the Poor, and setting them on Work.

Employing  
the Poor.

*Ordered*, That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Albrough*, in the County of *York*, and touching the Election for the Borough of *Corf* Castle, in the County of *Dorset*, be made upon *Friday* Sevensnight.

Albrough,  
&c. Elec-  
tions.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the more free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament was committed, be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Impartial  
Proceedings  
in Parlia-  
ment.

*Ordered*,

Expences in  
Elections,  
&c.

*Ordered*, That the Act against Expences in Elections be taken into Consideration upon *Thursday* Sevensnight: And that Mr. *Sloane* do then attend in his Place: And that the Clerk of the Crown do then attend, with the Writ and Return for the Borough of *Thetford*, in the County of *Norfolk*.

Avon  
Navigation.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Poole*, Sir *Henry Parker*, Colonel *Bierly*, Mr. *Palmer*, Colonel *Lutterell*, Mr. *Duncomb*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Mannaton*; Sir *Fran. IVar*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill, for making the Act, for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to the City of *New Sarum*, more effectual, is committed.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning next, Eight a Clock.

*Lunæ, 26° die Februarii;*

12° *Gulielmi Tertii.*

## PRAYERS.

Passage  
from Chan-  
cery-lane to  
Lincoln's-inn  
Fields.

A PETITION of *Jane Dring*, an Infant, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill depending in the House, for making a new Passage from and out of *Chancery-lane* into *Lincoln's-inn-Fields*, if the same should pass, will greatly prejudice the Petitioners Inheritance of the Houses next adjoining to the said new intended Passage: And praying, to be heard by Counsel, before the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioner be heard by her Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

Assaying of  
Plate.

Mr. *Scobell*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for appointing Assay-masters for the Assaying of Plate in the most considerable Cities and Towns within this Kingdom: And the same was received, and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Dover  
Harbour.

The Lord *Fairfax*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Repair of *Dover Harbour*: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Deal  
Waterworks.

A Bill for supplying the Town and Port of *Deal* with fresh Water was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Merefeild's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the Settling of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments late of *Robert Merefeild* and *John Merefeild* Esquires, deceased; and for ascertaining the Proportions between the Widow of the said *Robert*, and his surviving Children; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Child's  
Estate.

Sir *Thomas Willoughby*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for vesting certain Lands and Tenements, late of Sir *Josiah Child* Baronet, deceased, in Trustees, for the better Performance of certain Covenants entered into by the said Sir *Josiah Child*, upon the Marriage of his eldest Son with the Daughter of Sir *Thomas Cook* Knight: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Harrison's  
Estate.

Mr. *Dalby*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for selling the Reversion of the Farm of *Nethercott*, in the County of *Oxon*, for Payment of the Debts and Legacies of *George Harrison* Esquire, deceased: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to  
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whom it was referred to inspect and settle the Fees of the Officers of the House, be made upon *Thursday* next, in a full House. Fees of Officers of the House.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Henry Butler* Esquire to make Leases of Part of his Estate in *Lancashire*, for Discharge of Incumbrances thereupon, was read the First time. Butler's Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of *Thomas Neal* Esquire was presented to the House: Petition relating to a Member.

And the same relating to Sir *John Gerrard*, a Member of the House; who not being in the House;

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Gerrard* do attend in his Place To-morrow Morning; and that the Petition be then read.

*Ordered*, That no Motion be made for any Member to have Leave to go out of Town, but when the Member, for whom Leave shall be asked, shall be in the House; except in the case of Sickness, to be affirmed by the Member that shall make such Motion. Leave of Absence.

A Bill for confirming a Lease granted by the City of *Norwich* to *Richard Barry* and *George Sorocold*; and another Deed between the said City, and *Richard Soame*, and the said *George Sorocold*; was read the First time. Norwich Waterworks.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Merchants and Traders of *Bideford*, and Places adjacent, on behalf of themselves, and others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the shutting up the Port of *Rosse* in *Ireland*, from exporting Wool for *England*, has been of ill Consequence to the Wool Trade; and has given Opportunities to ill Persons of shipping it off to foreign Parts, under Pretence of carrying it to other Places to be entered; which seems the rather true, because there is not the Quantity imported this Year into *England*, as other Years since the War: And praying, That the said Port of *Rosse* may be opened again, for exporting Wool from thence into this Kingdom. Rosse Port.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for taking away the Duties upon the Woollen Manufactures exported is committed: And that they have Power to receive a Clause, according to the Purport of the said Petition.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the more effectual preventing and punishing unlawful and clandestine Trading be read To-morrow Morning. Clandestine Trade.

A Bill for the Ship *Dolphin*, of *Poole*, to trade as a free Ship, was read a Second time. Dolphin of Poole Ship.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be committed;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Molineux*, } 90.  
                                  { Mr. *Pye*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Robert Davers*, } 146.  
                                  { Mr. *Brotherton*: }

So it passed in the Negative.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Franklyn* and Sir *Robert Legard*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Leonard Wessell* Esquire, to sell the Manor of *Acresfleet*, in the County of *Essex*, settled on his Marriage with *Sarah* his now Wife, as Part of her Jointure; laying out the Money arising by such Sale in Purchase of other Lands: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also, Wessell's Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for continuing the Governor and Company of Merchants of  
Old East India Com-  
pany.



of *London*, trading to the *East Indies*, a Corporation, without any Amendment.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Call of the House.

*Ordered*, That the House be called over upon To-morrow Sevensnight: And that such Members as shall not then attend be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Henry Goffe* have Leave to go into the Country, for Ten Days, upon Extraordinary Occasions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dyott* have Leave to go into the Country, for a Fortnight, upon Extraordinary Occasions.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Mr. *Hooper* have Leave to go into the Country, upon Extraordinary Occasions;

It passed in the Negative.

Fleet Prison.

A Petition of *George Hawse*, *Antony Church*, and *Francis Geary*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is due to the Petitioners above 1,000 *l.* to be paid out of the Rents, Issues, and Profits, of the *Fleet* Prison, as may appear by the Judges Award, and several other Writings: And praying, That their said Debt may be inserted, with the rest of the *Fleet* Creditors, in the Bill depending in this House, for paying off the Incumbrances on the *Fleet* Prison, and for Dissolution of the said Prison.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Members not to leave Town.

*Ordered*, That no Member of this House do go out of Town until after To-morrow Sevensnight, when the House is ordered to be called over.

Answer to Address.

Mr. Speaker reported, That he having, with the House, attended his Majesty, on *Wednesday* last, with their Address of the 15th Instant; representing to his Majesty the Resolutions of this House of the 18th of January last, relating to the Grants of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; and that, to prevent any Mistake in reporting his Majesty's Answer thereupon, he had obtained a Copy thereof; which he read; and is as followeth; viz.

Gentlemen,

I was not only led by Inclination, but thought myself obliged in Justice, to reward those who had served well, and particularly in the Reduction of *Ireland*, out of the Estates forfeited to me by the Rebellion there.

The long War, in which we were engaged, did occasion great Taxes, and has left the Nation much in Debt; and the taking just and effectual Ways for lessening that Debt, and supporting publick Credit, is what, in my Opinion, will best contribute to the Honour, Interest, and Security, of the Kingdom.

Resolution against Advisers of Answer.

*Resolved*, That whosoever advised his Majesty's Answer to the Address of this House, presented to his Majesty on *Wednesday* last, has used his utmost Endeavour to create a Misunderstanding and Jealousy betwixt the King and his People.

Ways and Means.

Mr. *Conyers* reported, from the Committee of the whole House, who were to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolution; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Duty be laid upon all Hops imported into *Ireland*, except such as are of the Growth of this Kingdom.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Duty be laid upon

all Hops imported into *Ireland*, except such as are of the Growth of this Kingdom.

Colonel *Granville*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the more free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament was committed, the Amendments made by the Committee to the said Bill; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be taken into Consideration upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the State of his Majesty's Revenue.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Papers relating to Half-pay were referred, be made upon *Thursday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Martis*, 27° *die Februarii*;

12° *Gulielmi Tertii.*

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of several Pursers, in behalf of themselves, and the rest of the aggrieved Pursers of his Majesty's Navy Royal, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Pursers are the only Persons that give Security to the King for the true Performance of their Trust; yet they are often injured by the Commanders taking what Provisions they please, and converting them to their own Use; which that they may the easier do, they often take the Pursers Instruments, and employ them in their own Service; and when Pursers have modestly asked their Commanders how they should be salved, they have been abused, beaten, and confined to their Cabins; by which and many other unwarrantable Methods, the Pursers cannot escape running into the King's Debt, to their utter Ruin: And praying the House to take their Case into Consideration, and relieve them therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *John Kelly* is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, to the House.

A Petition of the Mayor, Jurats, and Common Council of the Town and Borough of *Deale*, in the County of *Kent*, on behalf of the poor Nurses, and several other Inhabitants, of the said Town, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is due to the said Nurses and Inhabitants, for entertaining sick and wounded Seamen, during the late War, the Sum of 3,612 *l.* 13 *s.*; the Want of which is, or shortly will be, their Ruin: And praying, That Provision may be made for Payment of the said Debt.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

A Petition of the Sutlers of his Majesty's Fort and Garrison of *Sheerness*, together with the Brewers, Bakers, Butchers, Maltsters, Mealmen, Cheesemongers, Chandlers, &c. was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have supplied the said Garrison, with Provisions, from April 1693, to March 1699; for which there is due to the Petitioners 1,050 *l.*; for want whereof they are threatened to be sued: That the Petitioners are informed, there is in Arrear to the Garrison, a Sum equivalent to the Petitioners Debt: And praying,

Pursers of the Navy.

Sick and wounded Seamen.

*Sheerness* Garrison Debt.

praying, That some speedy and effectual Means may be used for Payment of the said *Garison*, whereby the Petitioners may receive their Debts justly due as aforesaid.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

#### Fleet Prison.

A Petition of *Eleanor Smith*, Relict and Executrix of *Francis Smith*, Bookseller, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Thomas Bromhall* did purchase the *Fleet Prison*; but, wanting Money to pay for it, prevailed with the said *Francis*, to be bound with him, for above 1,000*l.* and paid for him above 600*l.* of it in June 1678, by the sudden Death of *Bromhall*: That, about Seven Years ago, *John Tilly* Esquire, endeavouring to get an Act of Parliament for Sale of the *Fleet*; and finding that the Petitioner would oppose him; gave her a Bond for the Payment of 212*l.*; of which he has paid but 7*l.* and refuseth to pay the rest, saying, He is in his Castle, meaning the *Fleet*; and the Petitioner is not able to compel him to pay her by Law: And praying, That her Debt may be inserted in the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *Fleet Prison*, and for Dissolution of the said Prison; she having proved her Debt, before a Committee of this House, the last Session of Parliament.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

#### Crown Lands.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Aldworth* do lay before this House a Copy of his Memorial, of the 10th of March 1696; and that Mr. *Tilson* do lay before this House a Copy of his Memorial, of October last; relating to the Crown Lands.

#### Jacobson's, &c. Nat.

An ingrossed Bill for naturalizing *Theodore Jacobson*, *William Brown*, and *Sarah Haskenstiles*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for naturalizing *Theodore Jacobson*, and others.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *White* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

#### Colony of East Jersey.

A Petition of the Proprietors of the Province of *East New Jersey* in *America*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in the Year 1664, King *Charles* the Second, by his Letters Patents, granted to the Duke of *York*, his Heirs and Assigns, all that Tract of Land in *America*, which includes the Provinces now called *New York*, *East Jersey* and *West Jersey*, and all Rivers, Bays, Harbours, &c. belonging to the same: That the said Duke conveyed *East* and *West Jersey* to the Lord *Berkeley*, and Sir *Geo. Carteret*; who, in 1681, for a valuable Consideration, conveyed *East Jersey* to the Petitioners, and others, their Heirs and Assigns: That in 1682, the said Duke confirmed the Petitioners Title to *East Jersey*, with all the Powers of Government, as fully as they were granted to him: And King *Charles*, by his Declaration, under the Great Seal of *England*, recognized the Petitioners Authority, commanding the Inhabitants to obey the Petitioners, as their lawful Governors: That the Petitioners have laid out great Sums of Money in settling Plantations at *East Jersey*, and by their Industry have laid the Foundations of a hopeful Colony there, which has, ever since its first Separation from *New York*, remained a distinct Province and Government; and had distinct Assemblies, and a Port called *Amboy*; but, upon unjust Complaints of some Inhabitants of *New York*, Attempts have been made to take away the Port of *Amboy*; and the Governors of *New York* have, by Force of Arms, boarded several Ships, and carried them out of *Amboy* to *New York*, to compel them to enter their Ships, and pay such Customs as were imposed by their Assemblies; though the Inhabitants of *East Jersey* are not subject to the Laws of *New York*, nor are any Customs payable for *European* Goods imported to *East Jersey*, or any other *English* Plantation, otherwise than by Laws made by the respective Assemblies of those Plantations: That the Petitioners, insisting on their Right, obtained from the Commissioners of the Treasury, Directions

to the Commissioners of the Customs; who, upon full Hearing of the Proprietors, allowed *Amboy* to be a Port in *East Jersey*; and appointed an Officer, with a Salary, to attend the Business of the said Port: Yet the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations refuse to allow the Petitioners a Port in *East Jersey*; and, disputing their Right to the said Government, have given Instructions to the Governor of *New York*, to hinder and seize Ships going into *East Jersey*; which has accordingly been executed, notwithstanding the Petitioners have offered to surrender their Government of *East Jersey* to his Majesty, and to pay the same Customs for Goods imported thither, as are paid for the like Goods at *New York*: But the Commissioners for Trade decline to let the Petitioners have any Port in *East Jersey*, though no other of his Majesty's Plantations are denied the same Privilege; which if taken away, the said Province will turn to a Wilderness, and thereby the Petitioners Purchases and Improvement be totally lost: And praying, That their Case may be taken into Consideration; and that the House would relieve them therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Jeremiah Basse* Esquire, and *John Lofting* Merchant, is referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the Fact to the House.

Sir *John Mordaunt* reported from the Committee to whom the Bill for continuing the Act for the better ascertaining the Tythes of Hemp and Flax was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Ordered*, That Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Christopher Hales*, Sir *Cha. Barrington*, Sir *William Glyn*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for vesting the Manor of *Overhall*, and other Lands, in the County of *Suffolk*, the Estate of Sir *Tho. Robinson* Baronet, under the Age of 21 Years, in Trustees, for raising 7,000*l.* for the Portion of *Anne Robinson*, his only Sister, is committed.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for taking away the Duties upon Woollen Manufactures exported.

Mr. *How*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the further suppressing the Growth of Popery, and strengthening the Protestant Religion: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time Tomorrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to the Use of *Greenwich Hospital*: And that Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

A Complaint being made to the House, That Mr. *Sherwood* and Mr. *Callow*, Attornies and Agents for *Thomas Underhill*, had served *Tho. Durham*, Tenant to Sir *Henry Parker* Baronet, a Member of this House, with a Rule of Court of King's Bench, upon a Writ of Error, for the certifying a Record of a Judgment obtained by one \* *Underhill* against the said *Tho. Durham*, in order to get the Possession of the Estate of the said Sir *Henry Parker* from his said Tenant; and also that the said *Durham* had since been arrested for the mean Profits of the said Estate, in Breach of the Privilege of this House;

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Committee of

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Privileges

Tythes of Hemp and Flax.

Robinson's Estate.

Woollen Manufactures.

Growth of Popery.

Estates given to superstitious Uses.

Privilege.

Privileges and Elections to examine the Matter of the said Complaint; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Privilege—  
Libellous  
Publication.

A Complaint was made to the House of a printed Paper, one of which was presented to the House, and read at the Table, subscribed by *Edward Stephens*, containing high Reflections upon the Honour of this House in general; and, in particular, upon Mr. *John How*, a Member thereof;

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the said Paper is a false and scandalous Libel.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Attorney General do prosecute the said *Edward Stephens*, for the said false and scandalous Libel.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to enquire after the Printer of the said false and scandalous Libel; and report the same to the House.

And it is referred to Sir *Theoph. Oglethorp*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Hysham*, Lord *Coningsby*, Colonel *Palmer*, Sir *Roxland Gwyn*, Sir *John Garrard*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Edw. Ernley*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Wynne*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Drake*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And are impowered to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Wallop's  
Estate.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Hoskins*, and Sir *Robert Legard*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Trustees to make Sale of the Inheritance of the Twelfth Part of several Manors, Lands, and Tenements, of *Bluet Wallop* Esquire, during his Minority; and to purchase other Lands with the Money to be raised by such Sale, to be settled to the same Uses as the Twelfth Part was so settled: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Privilege in  
a Suit.

Sir *John Garrard* attending in his Place, according to Order;

The Petition relating to him was read; setting forth, That *Thomas Neal* Esquire, the Petitioner's late Father, deceased, upon the Marriage with Dame *Eliz. Gould*, the Petitioner's Mother, deceased, did make the said Sir *John Garrard*, the Petitioner's Uncle, and Brother to the Lady *Gould*, Trustee in several Deeds, Grants, and Conveyances, for the Benefit of the said Lady and her Children, whereof the Petitioner is the only one living; and particularly in a Patent of his Majesty's Office of Groom Porter, in Trust for the Petitioner, during his Life; which his Father purchased for several Thousand Pounds Consideration, and devised the same to him by his last Will: Yet Sir *John Garrard* hath opposed the Petitioner's being sworn into the said Office, pretending a Property therein for himself, and refuses to give the Petitioner an Account of the said Trusts, insisting on his Privilege as a Member of this House: And praying, That Sir *John Garrard* may waive his Privilege, he being only a Trustee; whereby the Petitioner may have the Benefit of the Law against him.

To which the said Sir *John Garrard* was heard in his Place.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Judicature  
for Relief of  
Officers and  
Soldiers.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for erecting a Judicature, to relieve poor Officers and Soldiers, touching their Pay detained from them, and other Injuries complained of, was committed, be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to

whom the Petition of the Clothiers of *Salisbury*, relating to the Bill for prohibiting the Importation of Bone-lace, be made To-morrow Morning, after the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the more free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament was committed, is taken into Consideration.

Bone-lace.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the more effectual preventing and punishing unlawful and clandestine Trading be read To-morrow Morning.

Clandestine  
Trade.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the more effectual Suppression of Piracy.

Suppressing  
Piracy.

*Ordered*, That the several Accounts, which have been presented to the House from the Commissioners of Excise, be referred to the Consideration of the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of the State of his Majesty's Revenue.

State of the  
Revenue.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel *Granville*, took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* reported from the said Committee, That they had spent some time in the Consideration of the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

The House being informed, That a Crowd of People are got together, in a tumultuous and riotous Manner, in the *Palace-yard*, *Westminster-hall*, and Passages to this House;

Riotous  
Crowd about  
the House.

*Ordered*, That the Justices of the Peace of *Middlesex*, and *Westminster* do go forthwith, and disperse the said riotous Crowd.

*Ordered*, That the Justices of the Peace of the City of *Westminster* do immediately attend this House, and bring the Constables with them.

The House being informed, That the Justices of Peace of the City of *Westminster* attended;

They were called in: And, at the Bar, Mr. Speaker, by Order of the House, acquainted them with the said tumultuous Riot; and that the House did expect, that they should go immediately, and disperse the same; and give the House an Account what they did therein; and that they do commit such as they found most active in the said Riot, and take care to prevent any such Riots for the time to come.

And then they withdrew.

*Resolved*, That the inciting and encouraging any Number of Persons to come in a riotous, tumultuous, or disorderly Manner, to this House, in order either to hinder or promote the passing any Bill, or other Matters depending before the House, being against the Constitution and Freedom of Parliaments, is a high Crime and Misdemeanor.

The House being informed, That one *J. Dennis*, hath incited the Seamen and Seamen's Wives to come in a riotous Manner to this House;

*Ordered*, That the said *J. Dennis* be, for the said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

The House being informed, That the Justices of Peace for the City of *Westminster* attended;

They were called in; and at the Bar, gave the House an Account, That they had taken care to disperse the said riotous Tumult.

And then they withdrew.

The House being informed, That one *James Gardner*, had uttered very insolent Words, inciting the said Tumult against the Members of this House; and was seized by some of the said Justices Officers near the House;

*Ordered*, That the said *James Gardner* be sent for by the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, together with Mr. *Braddon*, who heard him utter the said Words.

And

And the House being informed, That they were brought accordingly;

They were brought to the Bar; and examined concerning the said Words.

And then withdrew.

It appearing to this House, That *James Gardner* hath incited the Rabble against the Members of this House, in Violation of the Rights and Constitutions of Parliament;

Ordered, That the said *James Gardner* be committed Prisoner to the *Gatehouse* for the said Offence.

State of  
Revenue.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State of his Majesty's Revenue.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned.

Copper  
Coinage.

Ordered, That all the Members that serve for the Counties of *Norfolk*, *Suffolk*, *Middlesex*, *London*, and *Surry*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to restrain the Coining any more Halfpence or Farthings is committed.

Avon  
Navigation.

Ordered, That *Sir Henry Parker*, *Sir Edmund Bacon*, *Doctor Davenant*, *Mr. Mammaton*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the River *Avon* navigable from *Christ Church* to the City of *New Sarum*, more effectual, is committed.

Seamen's  
Arrears.

Ordered, That the Petitions and Reports from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, touching the Q's and R's, be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday* Morning next.

A Person to  
be prosecuted  
for inciting  
the Riot.

Ordered, That *Mr. Attorney General* and *Mr. Solicitor General* do effectually prosecute the said *James Gardner* for his said Offence.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii, 28° die Februarii;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Committees.

ORDERED, That all Committees, who shall sit in a Morning, do arise when the House sits; or, in Default thereof, that what they shall do after the Sitting of the House be void.

Childe's  
Estate.

A Bill for vesting certain Lands and Tenements, late of *Sir Josiah Childe* Baronet, deceased, in Trustees, for the better Performance of certain Covenants entered into by the said *Josiah Childe*, upon the Marriage of his eldest Son with the Daughter of *Sir Thomas Cooke* Knight, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Lark  
Navigation.

*Mr. Hervey* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the River *Lark*, alias *Burne*, navigable, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House: And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Newcastle  
under Line  
Election.

Ordered, That *Mr. Laxton* have Leave to withdraw his Petition touching the Election for the Borough of *Newcastle under Line*, in the County of *Stafford*.

*Mr. Brewer*, according to Order, presented to the

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House a Bill to prevent the Sale, within this Kingdom, of Fish taken by Foreigners in foreign Vessels: And the same was received; and read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Mr. Scobell* reported, from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Debts of *John Cloberry* Esquire, deceased; and for raising Portions and Maintenance for his Children; was committed; That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents thereunto, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Cloberry's  
Estate.

*Mr. Carter* reported, from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Sir Nathanael Curson* Baronet was referred, the Matter, as it appeared to them; which he read in his Place: and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Cattle Mar-  
kets in the  
Haymarket.

That, on the 13th of June, in the 15th Year of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, a Writ of *Ad quod damnum* issued, to inquire whether it would be *Ad nocumentum* of any Market or Person, if there should be a Market for live Cattle granted, to be held in the *Haymarket*, in the Parish of *St. Martins in the Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, on *Mondays* and *Wednesdays* in every Week: Whereupon a Jury returned, That it would not be *ad nocumentum* of any Market or Person, if such Grant were made: And, thereupon,

King *Charles* the Second, by his Letters Patents, bearing Date the 21st of November, in the 15th Year of his Reign, did grant to *John Harvey* and *John Coell* Esquires, and their Heirs and Assigns, Two such Markets for live Cattle, to be held on *Mondays* and *Wednesdays*, as aforesaid:

That the late King *James* the Second, by his Letters Patents, bearing Date 25th of September, in the Second Year of his Reign; reciting the former, and that it was only in Trust for the Earl of *St. Albans*, deceased, whose Right was vested in *Henry* Earl of *Dover*; and that the *Haymarket* was become inconvenient for holding the said Markets; granted unto the said *John Coell*, then *Sir John Coell*, *John Harvey* being dead, That he, his Heirs and Assigns, might hold the said Two Markets in *Great Brookfield*, in the said Parish of *St. Martin's*, upon the Days aforesaid, in every Week, for ever, in Trust for the said Earl of *Dover*:

That the said King *James*, by other his Letters Patents, made the 20th July, in the Fourth Year of his Reign; reciting the aforesaid Letters Patents, and that the Days thereby appointed for holding the said Market were inconvenient; did grant unto the said *Sir John Coell*, his Heirs and Assigns, That, in lieu of the said Markets to be held on *Mondays* and *Wednesdays*, they might hold the same on *Tuesdays* and *Thursdays*, upon *Great Brookfield* aforesaid, for ever; and further did grant, That *Sir John Coell*, his Heirs and Assigns, might keep a Fair there, for buying and selling all manner of Goods and Merchandizes, to commence on the First Day of *May* yearly, and to continue for 15 Days after, for ever, in Trust for the said Earl of *Dover*:

That by several Assignments from the said Earl of *Dover's* Trustees, and lastly from the Petitioner *Mr. Kent*, by Indenture dated the 5th of July 1699, the Freehold and Inheritance of the said Markets and Fair became vested in *Sir Nath. Curson*, and his Heirs, for the Consideration of 23,344 *l.* subject to an Equity of Redemption at any time within Ten Years.

That the Patentees, and their Assigns, quietly enjoyed the said Markets from the Time they were granted until the 13th of February last, when the City of *London* sued out a *Scire facias*, which is now depending, to repeal the aforesaid Grants, by virtue of a Charter granted to the City



Cattle Markets in the Haymarket.

City of *London* by King *Edward* the Third, in Parliament, in the First Year of his Reign; wherein there is a Clause, That no Market should from thenceforth be granted *infra septem leucas in circuitu civitatis predict.*:

That Sir *Nath. Curson*, and those under whom he claims, have been at great Charges in Building, Paving, and making other Conveniences, for the said Markets: And the Petitioners alleged, That the Suppression thereof will be a great Inconvenience to the neighbouring Villages, and all Inhabitants near the same.

To prove which, *John Allen*, Butcher, of *Westminster*, said, That he bought and sold Cattle and Sheep at the *Haymarket*, on *Mondays* and *Wednesdays*, about 30 Years ago; and that, for 12 Years past, he and his Sons have bought Cattle on *Tuesdays* and *Thursdays* at *Brookfield* Market, which is made very convenient, at the Charge of several Thousand Pounds; and if the same should be put down, it will ruin Thousands of People; who are supplied with Provisions from thence; and particularly the People of *Southwark*, *Lambeth*, *Wandsor*, *Putney*, *Fulham*, *Chelsey*, *Westminster*, and all Parts lying westward of *London*:

That *Brookfield* Market is also convenient for all Cattle coming out of the West of *England*, by reason they need not be driven on the Stones to *Smithfield* Market; which oftentimes occasions the Flesh to be heated, and then it soon taints.

*Peter Wych* and *Richard Steel*, Butchers, of *Newport* Market, confirmed what *Allen* said in relation to *Brookfield* Market, for Six or Seven Years past.

*Novel Kellet*, of *Westminster*, Butcher, and *Richard Steer*, said, That they knew Cattle sold in the *Haymarket*, about 35 or 40 Years ago, in Inns, being then few in Number; but the said Market being since removed to *Brookfield*, it is very much increased, and is a greater Convenience for the Butchers, near that End of the Town, to buy Cattle there, than at *Smithfield*; because driving them on the Stones from *Smithfield* often lames them, and many times they are frightened, and over-heat themselves, so that they must be immediately killed on a *Friday*, whilst the Flesh is hot, for *Saturday's* Market; and then the Flesh will not take Salt; whereby they have many times disobliged their Customers: And *Steel* said, He believed there are 4 or 500 Sheep and Lambs, and about 200 Oxen, brought to *Brookfield* on a Market-day.

*John Allen* said, He would rather give Ten Shillings more for a Bullock bought at *Brookfield* Market, than he would for a Bullock of the same Value, bought at *Smithfield*; because they can buy on *Thursdays* at *Brookfield*, and kill the next Day, when the Flesh is cool; but if he buys at *Smithfield*, the Market is on *Friday*, and must kill the same Day, whatever Accident happens, or lose *Saturday's* Market.

That there is not Room enough at *Smithfield* to hold the Cattle brought to Town in a *Midsummer* Quarter; for which Reason, there is as many, or more, bought at *Islington*, *Newington*, *Paddington*, *Mile-End*, and other Places about *London*, as are sold at *Smithfield*; and knows that one *Holland*, at *Islington*, sold 2,500 Sheep at one time, because there was not Room enough for them at *Smithfield* Market.

*Charles Bettie*, of *Newport* Market, Butcher, said, That, within these Four or Five Years, he has seen several Drovers of Cattle driven from *Smithfield* to *Knightsbridge*, for want of Room at *Smithfield*, the Pens being all full.

*John Allen* said, That, for 12 Years past, he has seen Beasts, Sheep, and Lambs, driven from *Smithfield* for want of Room; and has observed Ten Drovers at a time so driven away from *Smithfield*.

All the Witnesses agree, That *Brookfield* Market is very convenient for that End of the Town: And it was insisted, That the publick Good ought to be considered by the Legislative Power, who, upon all Occasions, have altered the Law as Occasion required; and the Establishment of *Brookfield* Market cannot so prejudice *Smithfield* Market,

as to reduce the Tolls and Rents to less than what they were at the time of the Grant to the City, the City and Suburbs being now as big again as they were then.

That, upon the Petition of the City of *London*, also referred to the said Committee, the Matter is as followeth; viz.

That King *Edward* the Third, in the First Year of his Reign, by Charter in Parliament, granted to the City of *London*, That no Market should be granted from thenceforth, within Seven Miles of the said City; which Charter was confirmed by Act of Parliament, reciting the same, in the Seventh Year of the Reign of King *Richard* the Second:

That till the Year 1636, no Market for live Cattle was attempted since the said Charter; but then one *Dorrell*, and the Inhabitants of *St. Giles's* Parish, endeavoured to set up one near *Hyde Park*; and the City being heard thereupon at the Council Board, a Stop was put thereto, their Lordships declaring, That a Market there would be inconvenient and unfit, and contrary to the said Grants in Parliament:

That, about the 15th *Car. 2di*, the Grant to *John Harvey* and *John Coell* Esquires, was procured for Two Markets weekly, in the *Haymarket*, as in the Petition of Sir *Nath. Curson* is alleged: But the Place being inconvenient, and but little used, the City did not oppose it: That afterwards some Persons endeavoured to obtain a Patent for erecting Two Markets in *Conduit Mead*, behind *Albemarle* House, in lieu of those at the *Haymarket*; but the City, being informed thereof, entered a *Carveat* against the said intended Patent; and in March 1683, Sir *John Coell*, who was interested therein, petitioned the Council Board, That the Suspension might be taken off: But, upon hearing both Parties, on the Fourth of *April* 1683, the Suspension was continued, and the Patent stopped:

That soon after a *Quo warranto* was brought against the City; and, by Judgment thereon, they were dissolved, and their Liberties seized; and then, viz. in the Second and Fourth Years of the Reign of the late King *James* the Second, the Lord *Dover* obtained Two Grants, the one for removing the said Markets from the *Haymarket* to *Great Brookfield*, and the other for changing the Days as in the Petition of Sir *Nath. Curson*, *non obstante*, that no Writ of *Ad quod damnum* had been executed or returned:

That when the City Charter and Liberties were restored by the present Government, the City petitioned his now Majesty to be relieved against the said Grants; who ordered Sir *Edward Ward*, the then Attorney General, to examine and report the Fact:

And, at the Hearing before the said Attorney General, Dr. *Barbon* appeared, and was heard; who claimed an Interest in the said Grants, and desired to try the Validity thereof by Law:

That on the 11th of *April* 1695, the said Attorney General made his Report to the King and Council; and was of Opinion, That the King might permit the City to bring a *Scire facias*, in his Majesty's Name, in order to try the Validity and Legality of the said Grants to Sir *John Coell*; which his Majesty was pleased in Council to order accordingly, as appeared by the Report:

That in 1695, the City sued out a *Scire facias* against the Heir of Sir *John Coell*; and Doctor *Barbon*, being then a Member of Parliament, insisting on his Privilege, put a Stop to any further Proceedings thereon during his Life; but after his Death another *Scire facias* was sued out against the Heir of Sir *John Coell*; and then an Appearance was obtained; and the Defendants excepted to the *Scire facias*: On arguing whereof before the Lord Chancellor, the Exceptions were over-ruled, and the Defendants ordered to plead, which they did in Abatement, the last Term, because no Person is returned Tenant to the Market; and so the Matter depends in Chancery undetermined.

It was insisted, That *Brookfield* Market would much prejudice *Smithfield* Market, by lessening the Tolls there, and will

will bring to decay *St. Bartholomew's* Hospital, whose Revenue chiefly ariseth out of the Rents and Fines of Houses adjacent to *Smithfield*.

It was also insisted, That there is a particular Act of Parliament, made in the 22d and 23d Years of King *Charles* the Second, for the preventing Frauds in the Buying and Selling Cattle in *Smithfield*, and for seizing such as shall be once bought there, and brought thither again to be sold; which will not extend to *Brookfield* Markets. And,

To prove that there is Room enough at *Smithfield* Market to receive all Sorts of live Cattle, to supply the City and Suburbs;

Mr. *Wright*, the King's Purveyor, and *John Preston*, Graziers, said, That there is Room enough at *Smithfield* for all the live Cattle that are brought to Town; and, as a Reason, said, That there were Three Market-days every Week, viz. *Mondays*, *Wednesdays*, and *Fridays*; and that *Wednesday* was omitted for want of Cattle, Two Market days being sufficient to supply the Occasions of the Town: That they have bought and sold Cattle and Sheep there these 30 Years, and never knew that any were drove back for want of Room, but sometimes to keep them for next Market-day, in Hopes of a better Price, when the Market has been low; but the Rounds in *Smithfield*, which will hold Thousands of Sheep, are not made Use of, though they might, if streightened for Room:

That they have bought Sheep at *Islington* on *Thursdays*, and sold them again at *Smithfield* on *Fridays*, for about 12 Years past; and others have done so long before; and often buy Sheep at *Islington*, not for want of Room at *Smithfield*, but to throw them into the Marshes to supply the Town in Winter; and for that, if they should be brought to *Smithfield*, they would be dirty, and 12d. apiece worse than when bought clean.

Mr. *Wright* also said, That *Smithfield* is big enough to hold all the live Cattle sold in the City and Suburbs, and

Seven Miles about; but not for all the Flesh Provisions expended within that Compass, if brought to Town alive; much whereof is brought to Town killed, and so sold in the several Markets of *London*, and the Suburbs; and much killed and sold in the Villages round about, that never came to Town.

*William Cookson*, *Edward Yardley*, *John Buckston*, Salesmen, said, There was always Room enough at *Smithfield* for all the Cattle and Sheep brought thither; and that, for 30 or 40 Years past, they never heard any body complain for want of Room, the Market never being so full but that it would hold more; and if the Cattle sold at *Islington*, and other Places, were brought to *Smithfield*, there would be Room enough for them: And *Cookson* said, That he knows not of any Cattle sold any where but in the Market; but it would be better for the Butchers, and all Persons, to have all Cattle sold at *Smithfield*; from whence they may, with Care, drive their Cattle to this End of the Town without Damage; but sometimes a Bullock will be frightened and overheated, do what they can.

Ordered, That the said Report be taken in Consideration upon *Thursday* Morning next, in a full House.

Mr. *Godolphin*, from the Commissioners of the Customs, presented to the House, pursuant to the Act of the Tenth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for prohibiting the Exportation of Corn, an Account of all Corn and Grain, exported from the Port of *London*, and also from the Out Ports.

And also, pursuant to the Act of the Tenth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for enlarging the Trade to *Russia*, an Account of Naval Stores imported.

And the Titles thereof were read: And the said Account of Corn and Grain exported are hereunto annexed.

Cattle  
Markets in  
the Hay-  
market.

Corn, &c.  
exported.

Naval Stores  
imported.

## The aforesaid ACCOUNT of all Corn and Grain, exported from the Port of London.

	Wheat.	Pease.	Beans.	Oats.	Malt.	Meal.	Wheatmeal.	Oatmeal.	Flour.	Bread.	Biscuit.	Starch.
<i>Hudson's Bay</i>	8 Quarters	61 Bushels	-	-	8 Quarters	3,200 lb.	-	-	-	Cwt. qr. lb.	Cwt. qr. lb.	Cwt. qr. lb.
<i>Newfoundland</i>	-	{ 19 Quarters 3 Bushels }	-	-	57 Quarters	-	-	49 Bushels	{ 10 Bushels and 2,116 lb. Cwt. }	-	5	-
<i>Cape Coast in Africa</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-
<i>New England</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	143 1 21
<i>New York</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30 3 0
<i>Virginia</i>	-	-	-	-	174 Quarters	-	-	-	-	-	12	1 2 0
<i>Maryland</i>	-	-	-	-	348 Quarters	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Jamaica</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 Bushels	-	-	-
<i>Barbadoes</i>	-	7 Quarters	46 Quarters 4 Bushels 2 Quarters	-	-	-	9 Bushels	28 Bushels	27½ Quarters	-	-	93 0 0
<i>Nevis</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23 Bushels	2 Bushels	14 1 18	37 1	64 2 19
<i>Antigua</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8 Bushels	-	-	-	13 3 0
	Qrs. 8	Qrs. 34	Qrs. 46 Bush. 4	Qrs. 2	Qrs. 587	lb. 3,200	Bush. 9	Bush. 108	Qrs. Bush. lb. 29 2 2,116	Ct. Qr. lb. 264 1 18	Ct. Qrs. 383 3	Ct. qrs. lb. 354 3 12

Cha. Crisp, Collector.

## Exported from the Out Ports.

Ports Names.	Wheat.	Flour.	Bread and Biscuit.	Malt.	Beans.	Pease.	Oats.	Meal.	Oatmeal.	Starch.
<i>Bristol</i>	Bushels	Bushels	Ct. Qrs. lb.	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Ct. qrs. lb.	Bushels.	Ct. Qrs. lb.
<i>Exeter</i>	-	1,016	773 3 9	111	500	634	16	16 1 0	291½	23 1 0
<i>Barnstable</i>	-	140	1,616 0 0	296	-	1,561	-	-	19	-
<i>Poole</i>	-	21	385 0 4	81	-	172½	-	-	24	-
<i>Dartmouth</i>	93	-	73 0 0	1,032½	-	-	-	-	67½	-
<i>Plymouth</i>	-	-	-	186	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Portsmouth</i>	-	20	351 0 0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Bideford</i>	-	-	80 0 0	-	-	80	-	-	-	-
<i>Lime Regis</i>	-	-	14 0 0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	135	188 0 0	287	-	464	-	-	36	-
	93	1,332	3,480 3 13	1,984½	500	2,911½	16	16 1 0	438	23 1 0

Extracted from the Letters  
of the Collectors of the  
several Out Ports, re-  
maining in the Secre-  
tary's Office.Custom-house, London,  
16 February 1699.

Tho. Evans.

The said Account of Naval Stores imported from the *Narve, Archangel, Revel, &c.* in *Russia*, in the Port of *London*, from the 25th Day of March 1699, to the 7th Day of February following; viz.

	C.	qrs.	lb.
Tallow - - - - -	488	1	0
Cordage - - - - -	1,046	3	7
Rough Hemp - - - - -	27,847	2	17
Tarred Ropes - - - - -	110	2	0
Rosin - - - - -	136	2	0
Hogshead Staves - - - - -	5	1	0
Pipe Staves - - - - -	6	0	0
Barrel Staves - - - - -	35	0	0
Cable Yarn - - - - -	11	3	0
Hand Spikes - - - - -	25	3	0
Small Spears - - - - -	2	3	9
Middle Baulks - - - - -	4	0	0
Small Baulks - - - - -	2	0	6
Boon Sparrs - - - - -	11	1	22
Iron - - - - -	308	3	0
Deals ordinary - - - - -	261	2	7
D <sup>o</sup> Short - - - - -	7	2	0
D <sup>o</sup> Long - - - - -	7	0	0
D <sup>o</sup> Spruce - - - - -	10	1	0
Clapboards - - - - -	62	3	20
Pitch and Tarr - 48½ Lasts.			
Great Masts - - 135			
Middle Masts - - 30			
Small Masts - - 19			
Wooden Platters 7 Shock.			
Timber 40 Load 46 Foot.			
Oaken Plank 31 Load 39 Foot.			

*Per Chr. Towers, pro Collector inwards, in the Port of London.*

Port of *Hull*, and Members.

An Account of all Naval Stores imported into the said Port, and Members, by any Persons trading to *Russia*.

From the 25th March 1699, to 24th June 99.

From the 24 June 1699, to the 29 September 99, *Samuel Silkworth* in the *Phoenix*, Master, from the *Narve* } 2 Small Masts.

26 August 1699, *Robert Frippet* in } 20 of Cordage.  
the same Ship

*Hugh Mason*, Collector *pro Customer*.  
*Geo. St. Quintin*, *pro Comptroller*.

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

Fleet Prison.

A Petition of *Baldwyn Leighton* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That in 1689, the Petitioner, being informed of the great Abuses committed in the *Fleet* Prison, whereby the Publick suffered extremely, applied himself to his Majesty, in order to redress the same; who ordered the Petitioner to take out a Commission under the Great Seal, to inquire into the said Grievances: Which he accordingly did; executed it at his own Cost; and thereupon, by Inquisition taken in March 1689, the then Warden was found guilty of several Extortions, wilful Escapes, and other Oppressions; whereby the Office was forfeited to his Majesty in Fee, who granted the same to the Petitioner; which Grant passed the Privy Seal, but was stopt at the Great Seal, by a *Caveat* entered there; and the Matter was contested several Years, before the King and Council, the House of Lords, and this House; but by the Craft of the *Fleet* Officers, the said Inquisition was quashed:— That in May 1698, the Petitioner sued another Inquisition out of the Chancery; and thereupon, in August following, the present Warden, *Wm. Ford* Esquire, was found guilty of many Misdemeanors, and thereby the Office was forfeited to his Majesty; to which Inquisition *Mr. Ford* has pleaded, and traversed the Facts; to which the Attorney General hath replied, and joined Issue; and

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the Cause is set down to be tried at the King's Bench Bar, upon the 24th of April next: But there being a Bill in the House, for paying off the Incumbrances on the *Fleet* Prison, and for Dissolution of the said Prison, he is thereby like to lose all Benefit of his Trouble and Charge, unless relieved by this House: And praying the House to take his Case into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of *Martha Johnson* Widow, *Tho. Johnson*, *John Johnson*, and *Frances Micclethwaite*, Creditors of the Estate of the *Fleet* Prison, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by a Clause in a late Act of Parliament, for the more effectual Relief of Creditors in Cases of Escapes, and for preventing Abuses in Prisons, &c. the Petitioners Right and Title to several Houses and Shops, belonging to the *Fleet* Prison, is saved; but by a Bill depending in this House, for paying off the Incumbrances on the *Fleet* Prison, and for Dissolution of the said Prison, as the same is worded, the Petitioners are in Danger of losing the Benefit of the said former Clause: And praying that they may be heard in relation to the said Bill, for saving their Rights.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of *William Green*, of the City of *Westminster*, Brewer, was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That by an Information of the 9th of January 1699, exhibited before the Commissioners of Excise, the Petitioner was accused of having Two Holes in Two Tuns contrary to Law; which Information was tried the 22d Instant, since the Day on which the Petition of the Brewers Company was received by the House, on the Evidence of One single Witness, an Excise Officer, against the Petitioner, who had 12 Witnesses, Seven being Officers of Excise, at the said Hearing; only Two of which were heard by the Commissioners; they saying, that the Petitioners Counsel need not call any more, for that they were satisfied the Petitioner was not guilty; notwithstanding which, the said Commissioners have since privately given and entered a Judgment against the Petitioner for 200 *l.*; and the Petitioner, upon his Appeal, is deprived of the Use of any other Evidence, than what were sworn and examined by the said Commissioners, as the Law of Excise now stands: And praying the Consideration of the House, that he may have such Relief as his Case requires.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to examine the Matter of the said Petition; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to *Mr. Hammond*, *Sir Chr. Musgrave*, *Mr. Gwyn*, *Mr. Wynne*, *Mr. Palmes*, *Mr. Winington*, *Mr. Brotherton*, *Mr. Cook*, *Mr. Stringer*, *Sir Robert Davers*, *Sir Cha. Barrington*, *Mr. Bridges*, *Sir Phil. Boteler*, *Mr. Machell*, *Colonel Lee*, *Sir James Houblon*, *Mr. Mountstevens*, *Sir Robert Jenkinson*, *Mr. Worsley*, *Mr. Blofield*, *Sir Rich. Onslow*, *Mr. Poultney*, *Mr. York*, *Mr. Beak*, *Sir Edward Seymour*, *Mr. Hysham*, *Lord Paolet*, *Sir Jos. Jekyll*, *Mr. Onslow*, *Mr. Bertie*, *Mr. Stonchouse*, *Sir Wm. Cowper*, *Mr. Ashurst*, *Mr. Lowther*, *Mr. Aysgill*, *Mr. Mountague*, *Sir Walter Yonge*, *Mr. Boscawen*, *Mr. Barnardiston*, *Mr. Hughes*, *Mr. Blysse*, *Sir Edw. Hussey*, *Mr. Harley*, *Colonel Bierly*, *Sir Tho. Davall*, *Colonel Granville*, *Mr. Foley*, *Mr. Randall*, *Mr. Yates*, *Sir John Packington*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And are to have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Sir Richard Onslow*, according to Order, presented to Supply Bill; the House a Bill to resume the Grants of all Lands, and other Revenues, of the Crown, since the 6th Day of February 1684, and applying the same to the Use of the Publick:



Publick: and the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Saturday Morning* next.

Union with  
Scotland.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Justice *Necill* and Mr. Justice *Turton*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for authorizing certain Commissioners of the Realm of *England* to treat with Commissioners of *Scotland*, for the Weal of both Kingdoms: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House: And that the Lords do recommend the said Bill to the Consideration of the House, as a Bill of great Consequence.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

Vexatious  
Suits in  
Wales.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for Preventing of frivolous and vexatious Suits in the Principality of *Wales*, and the Counties Palatine, with an Amendment: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

Hopwood's  
Marriage  
Settlement.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for rectifying a Mistake in the Marriage Settlement of *Thomas Hopwood* Gentleman, and *Eizabeth* his Wife, in order to raise Portions for younger Children, and to pay Debts, without any Amendment. Also,

Villers'  
Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for settling the Estate of *Catharine Fitzgerald Villers*; and Raising of Money, for Payment of Debts, and better securing the Portion of her Five younger Children by *Edward Fitzgerald Villers* Esquire, her late Husband: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Union with  
Scotland—  
Recommend-  
ation from  
Lords.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to inspect Precedents, whether there have been heretofore such Messages of Recommendations of Bills as came from the Lords with the Bill, intituled, An Act for authorizing certain Commissioners of the Realm of *England* to treat with Commissioners of *Scotland*, for the Weal of both Kingdoms; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Chr. Musgrove*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Sir *Edu. Seymour*, Mr. *Hamond*, Sir *Jos. Jekill*, Sir *Rich Cocks*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Wharton*, Mr. *Howe*, Sir *Cha. Turner*, Mr. *Harley*, Colonel *Bierly*, Sir *Wa. Yonge*, Mr. *Palmes*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Poultney*, Mr. *Moor*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Carter*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Mountague*, Sir *Bry. Stapleton*, Mr. *Boyle*; or any Three of them: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Commissions  
of the Peace.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee appointed to inspect the Commissions of the Peace, and Commissions to Deputy Lieutenants, as they now stand, and as they were for Seven Years last past, be made upon *Monday Morning* next.

Union with  
Scotland.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for authorizing certain Commissioners of the Realm of *England* to treat with the Commissioners of *Scotland* for the Weal of both Kingdoms, be read upon *Tuesday Morning* next, before the House be called over.

Growth of  
Popery.

A Bill for the further suppressing the Growth of Popery and strengthening the Protestant Religion, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Com-

mittee, That they have Power to receive a Clause, to hinder any Popish Priest, that shall come into this Kingdom after a certain Day, that shall be convicted, from being pardoned.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the more free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament was committed, be taken into Consideration upon *Friday Morning* next.

Impartial  
Proceedings  
in Parlia-  
ment.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Clothiers of *Salisbury*, relating to the Bill for prohibiting the Importation of Bone-lace, be made upon *Saturday Morning* next, in a full House.

Bone-lace.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the more effectual preventing and punishing unlawful and clandestine Trading be read To-morrow Morning.

Clandestine  
Trade.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the State of his Majesty's Revenue.

State of  
Revenue.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Friday Morning* next.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery-lane* to *Lincolns-inn-fields*, and Places adjacent, is committed, have Leave to sit To-morrow Morning.

Passage from  
Chancery-  
lane to  
Lincolns-  
inn-fields.

*Ordered*, That Sir *William Blacket*, Sir *Edward Hungerford*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Asgill*, Mr. *Blofield*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Machel*, Mr. *Vane*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Stockdale*, Mr. *Worsley*, Mr. *Carr*, Mr. *Jennings*, be added to the Committee appointed to consider what Laws are expired, and near expiring, and fit to be continued.

Expiring  
Laws.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Jovis, 29<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;*

12<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Wool-combers, Serge-weavers, and other poor Inhabitants, of the Town of *Taunton*, and Parts adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are very sensible of the Decay of Trade, being reduced to a starving Condition for want of Employment, although they know not the Causes: And praying the Consideration of the House therein.

Woollen Ma-  
nufactures.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to examine what has been done upon the former Laws against the Exportation

tation of Wool, and for encouraging the Woollen Manufactures.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of *William Elkinson*, Master Gunner, *James Fowles*, and *Charles White*, Gunners, belonging to his Majesty's Castles and Platforms at *Dartmouth*, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is near Seven Years Arrears due to them, which has reduced them to great Streights, and their Creditors Patience is quite worn out: And praying, That they may be relieved for their Arrears.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Master Gunners, and other the Gunners, of his Majesty's Garisons, the Royal Citadel, and *St. Nicholas Island*, of *Plimouth*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have faithfully served in their said Station, for above Ten Years, and are still resolved so to do; although there is an Arrear due to them ever since the last Day of March 1693, which has brought them to very low Circumstances: And praying the Consideration of the House, so as they may be paid their said Arrears.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Westminster  
Small Debts.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for erecting and establishing a Court of Conscience within the City of *Westminster*, and Liberties thereof, be read a Second time upon *Monday Morning* next.

Wessell's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Leonard Wessel Esquire* to sell the Manor of *Acres-Fleet*, in the County of *Essex*, settled on his Marriage with *Sarah* his now Wife, as Part of her Jointure, laying out the Money arising by such Sale in the Purchase of other Lands, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Fleet Prison.

A Petition of the Court of Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the City of *London* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by a Bill depending in this House, for paying off the Incumbrances on the *Fleet Prison*, and for Dissolution of the said Prison, the Prisoners being in the said Prison, upon the 25th of March 1700, shall be delivered over to the Sheriffs of *London* and *Middlesex*, to be safely kept in the County Gaol: And praying, That the Petitioners may be heard by their Counsel, what they have to offer against such Part of the Bill as relates to the said City.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Report be made from the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Robinson's  
Estate.

The Earl of *Disert* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for vesting the Manor of *Overhall*, and other Lands, in the County of *Suffolk*, the Estate of Sir *Thomas Robinson* Baronet, under the Age of One-and-twenty Years, in Trustees, for the raising 7,000*l.* for the Portion of *Anne Robinson*, his only Sister; and for the vesting the Lands, and personal Estate, of the said *Anne*, in the said Sir *Thomas*, in lieu thereof; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations of the said Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Deal Water-  
works.

A Bill for supplying the Town and Port of *Deal* with fresh Water was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Robert D-*

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*vers*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Pye*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Brewer*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Sir *James Orenden*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Basil Dixwell*, Sir *Abstr. Danby*, Mr. *Vyner*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Bright*, Mr. *Blofield*, Mr. *Aylmer*, Mr. *Cooke*, Sir *Cha. Shuckborough*, Sir *Hen. Pickering*, Mr. *Duke*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Cotton*, Mr. *Scobell*, Lord *Downes*, Sir *Tho. Cook*, Mr. *Barnardiston*, Mr. *Bridgman*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Morgan*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Kent* and *Sussex*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Bill to enable Justices of Peace to repair the Gaols in their respective Counties was read a Second time. County Gaols,

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause, That, where the Prisons of Counties at large are situate on Lands belonging to the Crown, the same shall not be granted or alienated from the Crown, or the Service of the said Counties.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they do receive a Clause to make the said Law temporary.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Tilson* attended, according to Order; Crown Lands.

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House a Copy of a Memorial, presented to the Lords of the Treasury. . . *Christopher Tilson*, relating to the Receivers Accounts of the Land Revenue belonging to the Crown.

And then he withdrew.

And the Title of the said Memorial was read.

And the said Memorial is as followeth; viz.

To the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury.

May it please your Lordships,

His Majesty, by his Letters of Privy Seal, bearing Date the 28th Day of February last past, having required your Lordships, amongst other Things, to call all the Receivers of the Land Revenue to make up and pass their Accounts to Michaelmas 1698; and I being nominated, by the same Letters of Privy Seal, to be the Receiver of the Debts and Arrears that shall be depending *insuper*, or otherwise, upon the Foot of such Accounts, do think it my duty humbly to lay before your Lordships the Proceedings which have been made thereupon.

First, Your Lordships were pleased, by your Warrant, bearing Date the 24th Day of March 1698, strictly to charge and require the respective Auditors of the said Land Revenue to call every the said Receivers to make up and pass their said Accounts; and to certify your Lordships, if any Failure or Neglect should be made by them, or any of them, in the Performance thereof: And, by the same Warrant, the said Auditors were required to transmit Abstracts to your Lordships of the last declared Accounts of the said Revenues remaining with them respectively.

That some of the said Auditors have accordingly transmitted Abstracts of the last declared Accounts to your Lordships; but very few, or none, of the said Receivers, as I find, upon Inquiry, the Receivers of the Duchy of *Cornwall* excepted, do prosecute or attend the passing of their said Accounts; nor have the said Auditors certified to your Lordships the Persons failing or neglecting so to do: Wherefore I have taken from the said Abstracts the following Account, to shew your Lordships in what lamentable Backwardness most of the said Receivers are in their Accounts; to the end your Lordships may thereby judge of the Necessity of compelling them to expedite the passing of the same by such Means as your Lordships shall think fitting.

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Within

Within the District of Mr. Auditor *Aldworth*:Crown  
Lands.

Undeclared for 3 Years.	The County Palatine of <i>Chester</i> , whereof <i>Roger Whitley</i> Esquire is Receiver; no Account hath been declared since <i>Michaelmas</i> 1695; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	£. s. d. 446 16 3½
Undeclared for 18 Years.	For the County of <i>Lincoln</i> no Account hath been declared since <i>Michaelmas</i> 1680, when <i>Robert Sanderson</i> Esquire, deceased, was Receiver; but the Accounts were made up, though not declared for want of some Vouchers, or other Obstructions, as the Auditor certifies, to <i>Michaelmas</i> 1697; at which time <i>Tho. Hewet</i> Gentleman was Receiver; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	1,922 8 0
Undeclared for 23 Years.	For the Counties of <i>Nottingham</i> and <i>Darby</i> no Account hath been declared since <i>Michaelmas</i> 1675; when Sir <i>John Cutler</i> , since deceased, was Receiver; but the Accounts are made up, though not declared for want of Vouchers, or some other Obstructions, as the said Auditor certifies, to <i>Michaelmas</i> 1697; at which time <i>Tho. Hewet</i> and Mr. <i>Chambers</i> were Receivers; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	1,301 12 10½
Undeclared for 24 Years.	For the Counties of <i>Suffolk</i> and <i>Cambridge</i> , the last declared Account was for the Year ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1674, when <i>Tho. Cawood</i> Esquire was Receiver; and no Advances have been made towards passing any Account since by Sir <i>Edward Deering</i> , who is Receiver; and the Revenue in Charge, upon the last declared Account, was, per Annum - - - - -	514 9 4½
Undeclared for 7 Years.	For the Counties of <i>Essex</i> and <i>Hertford</i> , <i>Middlesex</i> , and the City of <i>London</i> , the last declared Account was for the Year ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1691, <i>John Smith</i> Gentleman being Receiver; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	633 6 2½
Undeclared for 12 Years.	For the Counties of <i>Norfolk</i> and <i>Huntington</i> , the last declared Account was for the Year ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1686; but the Accounts are made up and signed by Mr. Auditor <i>Phillips</i> , though not declared, to <i>Michaelmas</i> 1693; Mr. <i>John Smith</i> continuing Receiver; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	284 8 5½

Within the District of Mr. Auditor *Shales*:

Undeclared for 9 Years.	For the Counties of <i>Kent</i> , <i>Surry</i> , and <i>Sussex</i> , the last declared Account was for the Year ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1689, when <i>Henry Thornhill</i> Esquire, deceased, was Receiver; and the yearly Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	681 10 1½
Undeclared for 22 Years.	For the Counties of <i>Oxon</i> and <i>Berks</i> , the last declared Account was for the Year ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1676; <i>Wm. Roberts</i> Esquire being then Receiver; and the yearly Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	344 15 10
Undeclared for 23 Years.	For the Counties of <i>Bedford</i> and <i>Bucks</i> , the last declared Account was for the Year ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1675; <i>Wm. Taylor</i> Esquire Receiver; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	436 0 11½
Undeclared for 27 Years.	For the County of <i>York</i> , the last declared Account was for the Year ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1671; <i>Tho. Bland</i> then Receiver; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	3,600 10 9½
Undeclared for 13 Years.	For the Counties of <i>Berks</i> and <i>Bucks</i> , as to the Revenue of the Honour and Castle of <i>Windsor</i> , the last declared Account was for the Year ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1685; <i>Wm. Roberts</i> being Receiver; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	899 7 5½
Undeclared for 10 Years.	For the Archdeaconry of <i>Richmond</i> , Bishoprick of <i>Durham</i> , and County of <i>Northumberland</i> , the last declared Account was for the Year ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1688; <i>Peter Hammond</i> being Receiver; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	616 1 9½
Undeclared for 11 Years.	For the Counties of <i>Lancaster</i> , <i>Westmorland</i> , and <i>Cumberland</i> , the last declared Account was for the Year ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1687; <i>Richard Rivington</i> being then Receiver; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	2,970 17 10
Undeclared for 10 Years.	For the Counties of <i>Northampton</i> and <i>Rutland</i> , the last declared Account was for One Year, ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1688; <i>Sam. Tynns</i> Gentleman being then Receiver; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	2,431 15 5½
Undeclared for 13 Years.	For the Counties of <i>Warwick</i> and <i>Leicester</i> , the last declared Account was for the Year ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1685; <i>Wm. Green</i> being then Receiver; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	1,226 14 5½

As for the Counties of *Salop*, *Stafford*, *Worcester*, and *Hereford*, which are likewise within Mr. *Shales*' District, and for which no Accounts, as the said Mr. *Shales* has certified, do appear to have been declared since the Restoration; I humbly pray your Lordships will please to be referred to Mr. *Shales*' Memorial, concerning the same; which is hereunto annexed.

Within the District of *Ralph Grey* Esquire:

Undeclared for 3 Years.	For the several Counties of <i>North Wales</i> , the last declared Account was for the Year ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1695; <i>Roger Whitley</i> Esquire being Receiver; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	3,290 4 9½
Undeclared for 3 Years.	For the several Counties of <i>South Wales</i> , the last declared Account was for the Year ended at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1695; <i>Bevis Lloyd</i> Esquire, since deceased, being then Receiver; and the Revenue, then in Charge, was, per Annum - - - - -	3,408 17 0½

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As for the several Counties of *Hampshire, Somerset, Wilts, Dorset, Devon, Gloucester, and Cornwall*, which are under the Audit of Mr. *Parsons*; there has been no Return made from him to your Lordships concerning the same: But I am informed, That all, or most, of the Accounts for the Revenues within this District, are in good Forwardness for Declaration:

I take leave also humbly to acquaint your Lordships, That, in pursuance of the said Letters of Privy Seal, your Lordships have been pleased to direct Mr. Auditor *Shales* to call the Receivers of the Profits arising to his Majesty from the Estate of the late Lord *Preston* to an Account for the same; and, by a State made thereof, by the said Mr. *Shales*, which is hereunto annexed, it appears, there is due and owing to his Majesty, as well from the Tenants of the said Estate, as the Accountants, and others therein concerned, the Sum of 3,524*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.* besides 3,246*l.* 15*s.* 0*d.* for the Profits of the said Estate in *Yorkshire*, for the time it was in Lease to the Earl of *Carlisle* and Sir *Geo. Fletcher*; of which no Account is yet given: But I am informed by the said Auditors, that unless a more than ordinary Authority be used by your Lordships, to compel the Persons concerned in the receiving the Issues and Profits in the said Estate, whereof Mr. *Reginald Marriot* was Chief, to account for the same, his Majesty will, in all Likelihood, be defeated of the Monies owing to him from the said Estate; the said Mr. *Marriot* using and contriving all Manner of ill Practices and Devices for that Purpose; and wholly neglects and evades the passing or perfecting of any Accounts of the same.

Thus having laid before your Lordships a State of the Proceedings, which have been already made upon the said Letters of Privy-Seal, I do humbly submit the same to your Lordships, to take such further Measures, for the

more effectual performing of his Majesty's Pleasure signified therein, as your Lordships, in your great Judgment and Wisdom, shall think fit.

A true Copy examined.  
*Chr. Tilson.*

*Chr. Tilson,*  
9 October, 1699.

To the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury.

May it please your Lordships,

In Obedience to his Majesty's Letters of Privy Seal, bearing Date the 28th of February 1698, and your Lordships dormant Warrant thereupon, I have endeavoured to deliver in States or Abstracts of all such Accounts of his Majesty's Land Revenue, as I find have hitherto been declared, for the respective Counties within my several Assignments; but do not find any declared Accounts for the Counties of *Salop, Stafford, Worcester, and Hereford*, since the Restoration of his late Majesty King *Charles the Second*; which said Counties were lately in the Assignment of Sir *Joseph Seymour* Knight, deceased, as Auditor; and the Receipt thereof hath been for some Time past, and still is, in the Hands of one Mr. *John Digby*; and if any such Accounts have been declared, they are not delivered over to me amongst the other Writings belonging to the said Assignment, but remain still in the Hands of Mr. *Reginald Marriot*, who was Deputy to the said Sir *Joseph Seymour*: Therefore I must humbly crave your Lordships strict Order for Mr. *Marriot* to deliver up the said Accounts, if any such there be; and also for Mr. *Digby* to hasten to account for the Time that he hath been Receiver of the said Counties: Which is most humbly submitted to your Lordships Consideration.

A Copy examined.  
*Chr. Tilson.*

*Henry Shales, Auditor.*  
1 November 1699.

A brief State of the late Lord *Preston's* Estate in the Counties of *Cumberland* and *York*, during the Time the same was in his Majesty's Hands; viz.

Charge:

County of *Cumberland*:

For 1,684 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> per Annum, from the 29th December 1690, the Time the Forfeiture commenced, to the 29th March 1693, the Time it was leased to the Earl of <i>Carlisle</i> , Sir <i>Geo. Fletcher</i> , and others, is	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Two Years and One Quarter, and amounts to the Sum of	3,789	12	4½	4,083	7	4½
For Money received since <i>Lady-day</i> 1693, by Mr. <i>Revington</i> , which the Earl of <i>Carlisle</i> and Sir <i>Geo. Fletcher</i> claims in their Account	293	15	0			

Whereof,

Discharge:

Paid into the Receipt of Exchequer, as by Two several Tallies	800	0	0	1,565	2	2	I humbly think these Summs reasonable to be allowed, and not more.
Paid by the late Lord <i>Ossulston</i> , by Order from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury, dated the 8th May 1693	400	0	0				
Paid to <i>Henry Dixon</i> , and for a Horse and Accoutrements	77	5	0				
Paid for several Warrants at the Treasury	6	0	0				
Portage for 800 <i>l.</i> paid into the Exchequer, at 20 <i>s.</i> per Cent.	8	0	0				
Paid <i>Wm. Bodinson</i> , for his Expences, and his Servants, and their Horses, in going into the Country	77	7	2				
Paid for strong Guards, &c.	61	10	0				
Allowed for a Fee-farm Rent, issuing out of the Manor of <i>Bewcastle</i> , for Three Years, ending at <i>Michaelmas</i> 1693	22	10	0				
To the Receiver, for his Care and Pains, at 50 <i>l.</i> per Annum for Two Years, and One Quarter, ended at <i>Lady-day</i> 1693	112	10	0				
And then remains	2,518	5	2½				

Against which,

Arrears in the Tenants Hands, as by a particular Account annexed	1,128	2	3	These Arrears ought to be levied.			
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And then there will still remain in the Accountants Hands	1,390	2	11½	The Accountants ought to pay this.			
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Charge:

County of *York*:

For 1,443 <i>l.</i> per Annum from the 29th of December 1690, to <i>Lady-day</i> 1693, when leased to the Earl of <i>Carlisle</i> and Sir <i>Geo. Fletcher</i> , is Two Years and One Quarter, and amounts to	3,246	15	0	2,000	0	0	Some Account ought to be rendered of this Sum.
The Earl of <i>Carlisle</i> and Sir <i>Geo. Fletcher</i> , &c. to account for the <i>Cumberland</i> Estate, 500 <i>l.</i> per Annum, from <i>Lady-day</i> 1693, to <i>Michaelmas</i> 1695; and 300 <i>l.</i> per Annum for the Estate in <i>Yorkshire</i> for the same Time; both amounting to 800 <i>l.</i> as by Letters Patents; which for Two Years and a Half, comes to							

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Against



Against which,

Crown  
Lands.

Discharge :

There is claimed, for an Allowance to the Lady *Preston*, by Letters Patents, dated }  
 25 March 1693 - - - - - }  
 Claimed for Monies received by the Accountant of *Cumberland*, since the Date of }  
 their Letters Patents - - - - - }

Claimed by Sir *Geo. Fletcher*, for a Debt due to him by the late Lord *Preston* - - - - -

£. s. d.

300 0 0

I humbly think  
this reasonable.

293 15 0

And this.

400 0 0

It doth not ap-  
pear to me how  
this Debt hath  
arisen.

993 15 0

Remains due - - - - -

1,006 5 0

The Earl of  
*Carlisle*, Sir *Geo.*  
*Fletcher*, &c. to  
account for this  
Sum.

All which is most humbly submitted to your Lordships Considerations.

*Henry Shales*, Auditor.  
19 September 1699.

*Ordered*, That the said Memorial do lie upon the Table  
to be perused by the Members of the House.

Deficient  
Aids.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the  
House an Account of the gross and net Produce of all  
the deficient Aids, not already provided for: And also,  
An Account how the Eighty-five Thousand Pounds,

paid into the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer, by the Penalties in  
Commissioners of his Majesty's Customs for Penalties Customs.  
and Forfeitures for Ten Years last past, ending at  
*Michaelmas* 1699, have been disposed of.

And the Titles thereof were read:

And the said Accounts are as follow; viz.

An ACCOUNT of the gross and net Produce of the deficient Aids not already provided for.

	The first 3 s. Aid granted 8° Will.		The Capitation Duties granted 8° Will.		The Aid of 12 d. per Libra granted 8° Will.		Third Quarterly Poll granted 9° & 10° W.	
	Gross Produce.	Net Produce.	Gross Produce.	Net Produce.	Gross Produce.	Net Produce.	Gross Produce.	Net Produce.
BEDFORD	£. s. d. 19,691 16 1	£. s. d. 18,138 13 6	£. s. d. 5,742 0 3	£. s. d. 5,406 10 2½	£. s. d. 6,564 11 6	£. s. d. 6,214 5 0	£. s. d. 3,936 14 2½	£. s. d. 3,828 13 7½
BERKS	32,915 19 0½	30,267 16 6½	11,046 17 11	10,324 5 9	10,965 19 0	10,168 15 9½	7,028 11 3	6,836 5 0½
BUCKS	34,876 6 9½	32,048 18 9½	9,457 2 8½	8,646 1 0	11,625 3 11½	10,916 0 5	6,885 5 5½	6,612 4 2
CAMBRIDGE	21,595 13 11½	20,145 18 11	8,462 8 0½	8,031 3 9	7,191 5 3½	6,791 2 11	6,528 18 2	1,300 0 0
CHESTER	No Duplicate returned.	19,853 5 8	7,176 9 2½	4,817 8 4	No Duplicate returned.	5,710 9 4	No Duplicate returned.	700 0 0
CORNWALL	17,665 19 9	15,905 15 2	3,587 8 0½	3,675 3 5½	5,889 2 3	5,686 8 2	3,259 1 9	2,969 5 8
CUMBERLAND and WESTMERLAND	5,135 4 6½	4,525 19 1½	5,495 0 8½	3,675 3 5½	1,707 0 0	1,470 16 7½	1,703 5 4	1,657 8 2½
DERBY	17,257 18 6	15,362 14 9½	25,320 1 10	24,417 1 7	5,505 18 4½	5,320 1 7	3,945 13 8	3,822 15 11½
DEVON	59,381 16 9	52,773 7 5	8,415 16 10½	7,545 1 1½	19,431 5 7½	17,901 5 10½	14,233 8 6	13,712 9 10½
DORSET	24,284 7 9	22,120 1 2	9,589 12 3½	8,965 14 3	6,356 14 6½	6,063 19 6	4,625 13 2	4,420 5 1
DURHAM and NORTHUMBERLAND	19,075 1 4	16,600 5 2	30,739 2 2½	28,683 3 2	22,820 10 6½	20,828 7 11½	24,023 18 9½	23,348 17 10½
ESSEX	68,613 4 4½	61,794 11 2	18,151 13 9½	16,812 10 9½	21,771 19 11½	21,093 9 8	12,409 7 5	12,071 18 5½
GLOUCESTER	65,212 8 5½	60,309 8 9½	11,947 18 6½	10,212 11 8	11,449 9 7½	10,662 8 9½	6,899 7 5	6,668 6 3
HEREFORD	34,350 19 5½	30,993 12 4½	5,256 13 3	4,641 4 3	4,944 17 3	4,713 6 7	2,476 17 0	2,404 14 4½
HERTFORD	14,822 19 5½	13,361 14 4½	11,065 14 1	9,904 18 5	10,264 6 10½	9,770 2 7½	7,216 12 3	6,353 0 0
HUNTINGTON	30,792 16 2½	28,185 12 3	3,715 13 6½	3,599 17 3	3,616 4 5	3,504 5 10½	2,880 5 4	2,775 13 10
KENT	10,847 16 5½	9,925 10 9	18,121 18 0	17,372 1 11½	Duplicates: not all returned.	21,266 14 11	14,667 7 3	14,209 10 6
LANCASTER	15,663 13 1	13,698 15 7	9,449 3 10	8,795 3 10½	5,221 3 8½	5,059 0 7½	4,169 12 7	4,057 7 4
LEICESTER	25,400 9 8½	23,387 6 0½	8,947 8 8½	8,456 6 11	8,463 4 8½	7,842 1 0½	5,564 10 4	5,377 4 5
LINCOLNE	52,344 18 5½	49,099 17 8½	15,236 3 8½	12,983 5 6	16,694 11 4½	15,573 12 2½	11,473 0 1	11,164 19 4½
LONDON, MIDDLESEX, and WESTMINSTER	171,474 8 1	155,258 1 2	208,256 3 9	192,244 5 1	56,937 17 7	52,698 3 5½	56,300 11 9	55,482 9 7
NORFOLK	58,394 14 0½	49,936 8 8	26,370 16 6½	20,244 2 10½	19,460 1 7	17,848 19 4	17,848 19 4	11,500 0 0
NORTHAMPTON and RUTLAND	37,229 8 8½	34,330 0 10	11,527 0 8½	10,799 9 4½	12,409 15 6½	11,443 16 6½	8,778 9 4	8,542 2 1
NOTTINGHAM	18,425 5 7½	16,627 15 2½	6,005 3 9½	5,408 2 8	6,117 2 7	5,574 16 6½	4,267 10 4	4,152 19 0
OXON	29,579 16 8	27,569 14 2	9,633 2 6½	8,710 17 11	9,860 5 6½	9,191 7 11	6,661 19 4½	6,464 17 9½
SALOP	20,636 3 2½	18,356 17 10	8,508 3 0	7,938 7 6	17,847 5 4½	16,546 11 3	9,166 0 0	8,833 12 9
SOMERSETT	53,541 16 1	48,965 15 3	20,739 2 2½	17,476 2 1½	11,492 9 6½	10,874 11 6½	9,819 4 0	8,600 0 0
SOUTHAMPTON	39,913 16 11½	36,950 2 11½	14,508 19 6½	13,491 12 7½	6,586 3 8½	6,381 11 1½	3,937 12 8	3,819 2 4
STAFFORD	19,808 12 11½	17,514 18 4½	7,771 2 11	6,731 14 9½	17,950 1 7	16,413 3 9½	12,953 8 0	12,569 3 8
SUFFOLK	53,555 7 7½	49,131 6 4	20,261 5 5½	18,534 15 6½	14,152 3 10½	13,162 3 10	No Duplicate returned.	11,097 16 2
SURREY	42,456 11 11½	37,902 19 5	21,002 4 4½	19,328 16 9½	14,291 19 10½	13,162 3 10	No Duplicate returned.	4,897 0 0
SUSSEX	42,890 0 9	39,705 4 7½	12,908 10 9	12,100 12 0	9,618 7 7	9,050 9 7	6,853 8 0	6,668 17 5½
WARWICK	28,858 11 9	25,803 17 0	10,474 14 0½	9,802 13 3	8,256 16 10½	7,880 5 10½	5,718 7 0	5,408 2 9½
WORCESTER	24,770 10 6½	22,557 17 8	9,146 7 3½	7,871 13 0	12,295 2 2½	11,779 5 2½	5,952 19 0	5,732 4 0
WILTS	36,916 13 8	43,765 6 2	11,006 1 10½	9,728 14 0½	2,179 4 9	1,943 17 2½	1,440 8 2	1,401 12 8
MONMOUTH	6,683 19 10½	5,940 9 0½	2,645 16 5½	2,561 16 1	3,652 11 0½	3,543 19 5½	3,349 2 4	3,164 11 0
PEMBROKE, CARMARTHEN, CARDIGAN, } GLAMORGAN }	10,994 17 4½	9,907 14 4½	5,296 2 2½	4,852 3 0½	1,488 4 0	1,441 19 8	No Duplicate returned.	1,197 3 6
BRECKNOCK and RADNOR	4,475 0 7½	4,083 4 7½	3,504 19 4½	3,372 2 8	Duplicates not all returned.	2,509 3 11½	Duplicates not all returned.	200 0 0
DENBY, FLINT, MONTGOMERY, CARNARVAN, } ANGLESEY, and MERIONETH }	15,015 19 0	15,015 19 0		3,263 4 4				
TOTALS, so far as appears by this Account	1,332,101 3 3½	1,243,142 12 4½	635,830 4 6	586,628 7 5½	420,680 19 9½	418,753 1 5½	320,515 15 10½	305,608 17 2

Wm. Lowndes.

## The ACCOUNT of the gross and net Produce of the other Part of the said Deficiencies.

	Gross Produce.			Net Produce.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
The Duties on Low Wines and Sweets; granted 7° et 8° W. from the 25th of March 1696, the time the same commenced, to Christmas 1699, have produced	71,468	11	6½	62,941	15	0½
The Duties on Paper and Parchment, as well inland, as upon foreign Importations, which determined the 1st of March 1698, and were granted 8° et 9° W.	22,016	1	9½	18,103	18	5½
The Duties on Leather, as well inland, as upon foreign Importations which were granted 8° et 9° W. for 3 Years, from the 20th April 97, have produced to Christmas 1699	250,107	4	3½	211,272	18	11½
The Duties on Malt, Mum, Sweets, Cyder, and Perry, which were granted 8° and 9° W. from 20th April 1697, to the 20th July 1699, have produced	1,004,283	3	11	915,936	17	6½
The further Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage, granted 8° and 9° W. for Two Years and ½, ended the First of February 1699, hath produced	1,169,330	13	10	947,740	5	7
	2,517,205	14	10½	2,155,995	15	11½

*Memorandum:* The Differences between the gross and net Produces consist of Charges in Collecting or Management, Loss by Recoinage, and *Supers* or *Insups* standing out.

*W. Lowndes.*

The said Account how the 85,000*l.* paid into the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer, by the Commissioners of the Customs, for Penalties and Forfeitures, for 10 Years last past, ending at *Michaelmas* 1699, have been disposed of.

*Memorandum:* These Penalties and Forfeitures are accounted for, in the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer, under the Denomination of Seizures; and there was remaining thereupon, in the said Receipt, at *Michaelmas* 1689, the Sum of - - - - -

And there does appear to have been received there under the Head of Seizures, within the 10 Years from *Michaelmas* 1689, to *Michaelmas* 1699, the Sum of - - - - -

In all - - - - - £. 86,231 17 2½

Whereof there has been paid as followeth,

To the late Treasurer of the Navy, upon Account - - - - - } 30 0 10½  
 To the Earl of *Ranclagh*, Paymaster of the Forces, upon Account - - } 1,285 1 4½  
 To the Paymaster of the Forces employed in *Ireland*, on Account - } 525 19 10½  
 To the late Treasurer of the Ordnance, upon Account - - - - - } 40 0 0

To several on Account of Fees, and Salaries; *viz.*  
 To the Chancellor of the Exchequer for the time being - - - - - } 1,405 12 0  
 To the Senior Deputy Chamberlain, for locking up Treasure - - - } 103 11 4  
 To the Auditor of the Receipt for the Time being - - - - - } 3,323 5 2  
 To the Clerk of the Pells for the Time being - - - - - } 1,823 19 9½  
 To the Four Tellers of the Receipt for the Time being - - - - - } 758 1 4  
 To the Two Chamberlains of Exchequer for the Time being - - - } 521 13 4  
 To the Two Deputy Chamberlains, for striking Tallies - - - - - } 381 18 2  
 To the Auditor of the Receipts Two Clerks in the Tally Court for the Time being - - - - - } 297 11 0½

To the Clerk of the Pells Clerk there for the Time being - - - - - } 25 0 0  
 To the Grooms of the Receipt for the Time being - - - - - } 8 0 0  
 To the Two Deputy Chamberlains, for joining Tallies, for the Time being } 135 0 0  
 To the Four Messengers of the Receipt for the Time being - - - - - } 330 0 0  
 To the Usher of the Receipt for the Time being - - - - - } 26 13 4  
 To the Comptroller of the Pipe - 250 0 0  
 To the Secondaries in the Pipe Office 104 16 8  
 To the Secondaries in the King's Remembrancer's Office - - - - - } 82 0 0  
 To the Warden of *Waltham* Forest, for himself and several Officers - } 233 10 0  
 To the Clerk of the Pipe - - - - 735 14 4½  
 To the Justice in *Eyre*, *Trent* North 77 3 2½  
 To the Messenger attending the Chancellor of the Exchequer for the Time being - - - - - } 118 8 0  
 To *Rudolph Kein*, Closet-keeper to the King - - - - - } 250 0 0  
 To the Cursitor Baron for the Time being - - - - - } 793 0 0  
 To *Richard Hutchinson*, late Solicitor of the Customs, an additional Salary } 600 0 0  
 To the Clerk of the foreign Estreats 414 16 8  
 To the foreign Opposer - - - - 290 0 0  
 To the Clerk of the Nichells - - 105 0 0  
 To the Clerk of the Estreats in the Common Pleas - - - - - } 135 0 0  
 To the Clerks and Ministers of the Receipt of the Exchequer - - - } 296 16 8½  
 To the Porter at the Exchequer Gate 21 19 1  
 To the Clerk of the Pleas in the Exchequer - - - - - } 84 0 0  
 To the Keepers of *Greenwich* Park - 76 6 1  
 To Mr. *Maugridge*, Drum-major - 28 14 11  
 To the late Speaker of the House of Commons - - - - - } 1,581 5 0  
 To the Agents for Taxes, their Clerks and Messengers - - - - - } 2,766 0 2  
 To the Commissioners of Accounts - 100 12 1  
 To the Poet Laureat - - - - - 71 5 2  
 To the Historiographer Royal - - 150 0 0

To

	£.	s.	d.
To the Serjeant at Arms attending the House of Peers - - - - -	27	6	6½
To the Treasurer Remembrancer - - - - -	336	17	11½
To Richard Welbeck, Stable-keeper at Reading - - - - -	15	4	2
To the Masters in Chancery - - - - -	550	0	0
To Anthony Lawrence, Surveyor of the Ways - - - - -	118	12	6
To the Secondaries in Treasurer, Remembrancer Office, and Clerks there - - - - -	141	4	8
To Mr. Beabisson, Master of the Bows to his Majesty - - - - -	58	5	0
To the Auditors of the Imprest - - - - -	466	13	4
To John Burrard, late Riding Forester in New-Forest - - - - -	13	13	9
To Walter Laycock, Surveyor of the Woods, Trent North - - - - -	62	10	0
<b>TOTAL</b> - - - - -	<b>£. 22,379</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>

To several, as of his Majesty's Royal Bounty; viz.			
To several Chaplains, for their Passage to the Plantations - - - - -	120	0	0
To Wm. Colton Mariner - - - - -	561	16	10
To Colonel John Dean - - - - -	470	0	0
To Charles Villiers Esquire - - - - -	1,000	0	0
To Mr. Woodcock - - - - -	1,000	0	0
To Mr. Kinston - - - - -	50	0	0
To Mary Davis - - - - -	700	0	0
To James Grey - - - - -	300	0	0
To Oloff Hill - - - - -	2,000	0	0
To Hillary Renue - - - - -	678	17	10
To Baldwin Leighton - - - - -	100	0	0
To Lord Mordington - - - - -	297	8	0
To Thomas Offlee - - - - -	44	0	0
To Richard Hosier - - - - -	1,773	10	0
To Andrew Stacy - - - - -	71	16	6
To Henry Killigrew - - - - -	300	0	0
To Barnard Granvill Esquire - - - - -	25	0	0
To Colonel Henry Purcell - - - - -	40	0	0
To John Dayre - - - - -	9	10	0
To John Whittel - - - - -	6	0	0
To Edward Viscount Cornbury - - - - -	610	0	0
To John Christmas - - - - -	60	0	0
To William Fanshaw - - - - -	52	0	0
To Dame Anne Laton - - - - -	100	0	0
To Mr. Addison - - - - -	200	0	0
To the Lady Cath. Darnly - - - - -	1	3	3½
To Mr. D. Lisle - - - - -	419	12	0
To the Lady Mordant - - - - -	118	6	8
To Mr. Rouch - - - - -	20	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b> - - - - -	<b>£. 11,124</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1½</b>

To several on Pensions and Annuities; viz.			
To Lodowick Bray - - - - -	18	10	0
To the Poor of several Parishes - - - - -	274	9	3½
To Sir John Cotton - - - - -	10	13	4
*To the Treasurer of Christ's Hospital - - - - -	370	10	0
To the Lady Margaret's Professor at Oxford - - - - -	33	6	8
To the French Ministers in the Savoy - - - - -	120	0	0
To Sir William Killigrew - - - - -	250	0	0
To Solomon Foubret - - - - -	120	5	4
To Sir Samuel Morland - - - - -	100	0	0
To Mrs. Browning - - - - -	60	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b> - - - - -	<b>£. 1,357</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7½</b>

To sundry contingent Expences; viz.			
To the Usher of the Court of Exchequer, on his Liberate - - - - -	4,645	17	5½
To the Messengers of the Receipt, for Riding Charges - - - - -	2,035	12	9½

\* This Article is supplied from the Original Account.

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To the Messengers attending the Treasury, for ditto - - - - -	220	7	7½
To the Governor of the Tower, for Diet of Prisoners - - - - -	178	13	4
To the Usher of the Receipt, for his Liberate - - - - -	3,570	0	11½
For Necessaries for the Treasury Chambers - - - - -	525	0	0
To several Persons for apprehending of Highwaymen - - - - -	204	2	9
To Hen. Pelham Esquire, for his Service in securing a Seizure - - - - -	1,300	0	0
To Mrs. Eliz. Coldwell, for conveying Gunpowder to Iniskilling - - - - -	200	0	0
To the Warden of the Mint, for prosecuting Clippers - - - - -	600	0	0
To the Officers and Clerks of the Tally Court, for striking without Fees - - - - -	1,892	7	4
To the Messengers of the Court of Exchequer, for Riding Charges - - - - -	1,850	0	9½
To Mr. Cawthorpe and Mr. Rands, Surplus on their Accounts, for 2s. and additional 12d. - - - - -	1,000	0	0
To Wm. Carter, for preventing the Exportation of Wool - - - - -	199	16	10
To Tho. Pelham Esquire, without Account, for the Benefit of New-haven Harbour - - - - -	300	0	0
To Henry Barker, et al, for Law-suits to the House of Commons - - - - -	218	2	1
To Serjeant Topham, for Necessaries to the House of Commons - - - - -	50	0	0
To the Door-keepers of the House of Lords - - - - -	49	18	0
To Thomas Fowler, for his Charges in France, whilst a Prisoner there - - - - -	47	0	0
To Henry Seager, for the Charge of the Pix-feast - - - - -	154	9	6
To the Pages of the Bed-chamber, for washing Sheets - - - - -	72	0	0
To the Agents for Taxes, for incidents to Philip Middleton, for discovering Pirates - - - - -	237	11	1
To Francis Pilchard, for seizing of Wool - - - - -	16	3	6
To Dame Mary Kirk, for the Rent of her House - - - - -	40	0	0
To Derrick Stork, for a Moiety of a Seizure - - - - -	100	0	0
For Rewards to Receivers of Taxes - - - - -	92	10	0
<b>TOTAL</b> - - - - -	<b>£. 25,183</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8½</b>

The aforesaid Totals amount to	60,045	11	3½
To William Jephson, Henry Guy, and Wm. Lowndes, Secretaries of the Treasury successively, upon several Privy Seals for her Majesty the late Queen's secret Services, without Account, divers Sums, amounting to - - - - -	15,964	3	9½
To the Secretaries of State for the Time being, for secret Services - - - - -	55	9	5½
To the Treasurer of the Chamber, upon Account - - - - -	1,307	12	9½
To Charles Shales his Majesty's Goldsmith, for Plate - - - - -	2,354	3	4
To the Paymaster of his Majesty's Works, upon Account - - - - -	359	16	3½
To Philip Riley, for Works in several Parks - - - - -	50	0	0
To the Master of the Great Wardrobe, upon Account - - - - -	573	3	1
To Monsieur Braguier - - - - -	1,000	0	0
To the late Master and Worker of the Mint, upon Account - - - - -	2,053	6	8
To Hugh Broughton, Consul at Venice - - - - -	300	0	0
For			



For Principal and Interest on Exchequer Bills issued on the Salt Account - - - - -	£. s. d.	
	62	13 2½
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	£. 48,125	19 11½
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By Loss upon re-coining 5,471 l. 3 s. 1 d. in Old Money; the same producing, in new Money 3,475 l. 8 s. So the Deficiency is - - - - -	1,995	15 0½
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	86,121	15 0½
By Cash remaining in the Receipt of Exchequer 28th September 1699 }	110	2 2
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	£. 86,231	17 2½

This, in pursuance of an Order of the Honourable House of Commons, bearing Date the 24th of January 1699, is humbly presented by *Wm. Lowndes.*

*Ordered,* That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Dover Harbour.

A Bill for the Repair of *Dover* Harbour, was read a Second time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved,* That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

Avon and Froom Navigation.

*Ordered,* That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Preserving of the Rivers *Avon* and *Froom*, and cleansing the Streets of the City of *Bristol*, was committed, be made To-morrow Morning at Eleven a Clock, and nothing to intervene.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Hoskins* and Sir *Rob. Legard*:

Mr. Speaker,

Thomas' Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Dalby Thomas* Esquire, to sell Lands in *Islington*, in *Middlesex*, settled on his Marriage with *Dorothy* his Wife, as Part of her Jointure; he settling another Estate, of equal or greater Value, in lieu thereof: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

Beer and Ale Measure.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the ascertaining the Measure for retailing Ale and Beer, without any Amendment.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Assaying of Plate.

A Bill for appointing Assay-masters for the Assaying of Plate, in the most considerable Cities and Towns within this Kingdom, was read a Second time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill be committed to Sir *Barth. Shower*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Sir *Rowl. Gwyn*, Sir *Rob. Dacres*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Lord *Powlet*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Abstr. Danby*, Mr. *Blofield*, Sir *Rob. Edon*, Mr. *Davy*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Cha. Sidley*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Sir *Wm. Wogan*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Walter Yonge*, Sir *Joseph Jekyll*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Sir *Cha. Windham*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Clayton*; and the Members for the City of *London*; and such Members as are Aldermen of the said City: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered,* That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to leave out the Clause in the said Bill, that concerns the new Standard for Plate; and to repeal the Law in that Part which establishes the same.

*Ordered,* That the Merits of the Election touching the

Borough of *Pontefract*, in the County of *York*, be heard before the Committee of Privileges and Elections upon *Monday*, the Eighth Day of April next. *Pontefract Election.*

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the further suppressing the Growth of Popery, and strengthening the Protestant Religion. *Growth of Popery.*

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House being informed, That there was a Difference in the Committee, who should take the Chair of the Committee.

*Ordered,* That Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do take the Chair of the Committee.

Then the House again resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved,* That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

Mr. *Harley*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service: And the same was received. *Commissioners of Accounts.*

*Ordered,* That the Bill for the more effectual preventing and punishing unlawful and clandestine Trading, be read upon *Saturday* Morning next.

*Resolved,* That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the better employing the Poor, and setting them on Work; and nothing to intervene. *Employing the Poor.*

*Ordered,* That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Papers relating to Half-pay was referred, be made upon *Monday* Morning next. *Half-pay.*

*Ordered,* That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect and settle the Fees to be taken by the Officers of the House, be made upon *Wednesday* Morning next. *Fees of Officers of the House.*

*Ordered,* That the Act relating to the Expences in Elections be taken into Consideration upon To-morrow Morning: And that Mr. *Sloan* do then attend in his Place. *Expences in Elections.*

*Ordered,* That all Committees be revived. *Committees.*

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, to whom the Bill for appointing Assay-masters, for the Assaying of Plate in the most considerable Cities and Towns within this Kingdom, That they have Power to receive a Clause for the better preventing *English* Coin, and *English* Plate, from being exported; *Assaying of Plate.*

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Wynne*, } 105.  
                                  { Mr. *Clark*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Mountague*, } 129.  
                                  { Mr. *Rowney*: }

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered,* That Mr. *Henley*, Mr. *Battiscombe*, Mr. *Asgill*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Crane*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Bettsworth*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Burrard*, Mr. *Harly*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Navigation.*

Mr. Cooke, be added to the Committee, to whom the Consideration of the Petition of the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Commonalty of the City of *Exon*, and other principal Citizens and Inhabitants of the said City, is referred.

Ordered, That \* \* \* \*

Veneris, 1<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

12<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Norwich  
Water-  
works.

A BILL for confirming a Lease granted by the City of *Norwich* to *Richard Barry* and *George Sorocold*, and another Deed between the said City, and *Richard Soame*, and the said *George Sorocold*; was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Sir *William Cooke*, Sir *Charles Windham*, Mr. *Dacey*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Sir *Robert Napper*, Sir *Robert Dacres*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Byerley*, Mr. *Dalby*, Sir *John Wynn*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Ashurst*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *York*, Mr. *Sacheverall*, Mr. *Wilkins*, Mr. *Lee*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Cotton*, Sir *Fra. Windham*, Sir *Edm. Bacon*, Sir *Abstrupus Danby*, Mr. *Blöfeld*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Norfolk* and *Suffolk*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for setting up Lights within the said City.

Cowper's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting Part of the Estate of *Thomas Cowper*, of the City of *Chester*, Esquire, in Trustees, for Payment of Debts, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Shackerly*, Sir *Abstr. Danby*, Sir *Rob. Edon*, Mr. *Whitchcot*, Sir *Tho. Grosvenor*, Colonel *Granville*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Campion*, Sir *James Houlton*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Sir *Robert Dacres*, Sir *John Fagg*, Sir *Rowland Gayn*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Blöfeld*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Blake*, Mr. *Philips*, Sir *Robert Napper*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Bridgman*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Chester*, *Lancaster*, and *North Wales*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Villers'  
Estate.

Ordered, That the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling the Estate of *Catharine Fitz Gerald Villers*, and raising of Money for Payment of Debts, and better securing the Portions of her Five younger Children, by *Edward Fitz Gerald Villers* Esquire, her late Husband, be read upon Monday Morning next.

Mitchell  
Election.

The House being informed, That the Petition of *Antony Row* Esquire, touching the Borough of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Cornwall*, presented to the House this Session, is different from the Petition presented by him the last Session;

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections, to examine whether the Petition of the said Mr. *Row*, this Session, is the same, in Substance, with his Petition presented the last Session; and report the same to the House: And that the Committee do the same, before they proceed upon the Merits of the Election.

Merefeild's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, late of *Robert Merefeild* and *John Merefeild*, Esquires, deceased; and for ascertaining the Proportions between the Widow of the said *Robert*, and his surviving Children; was read a Second time.

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Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Robert Napper*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Henley*, Mr. *Gayn*, Mr. *Battiscomb*, Sir *John Mordant*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Lozther*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Hancock*, Colonel *Webb*, Sir *Fran. Warr*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Crane*, Mr. *Heysham*, Sir *Robert Edon*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Cornwall*, *Devon*, *Dorset*, and *Somerset*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Trustees to make Sale of the Inheritance of the Twelfth Part of several Manors, Lands, and Tenements, of *Bluet Wallop* Esquire, during his Minority; and to purchase other Lands with the Money to be raised by such Sale, to be settled to the same Uses as the Twelfth Part was so settled; was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. *Blake*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better preserving of the Rivers *Avon* and *Froom*, and cleansing the Streets of the City of *Bristol*, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Resolved, That this House will, after this Day, receive no more private Business during this Session.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday Morning next, before they resolve into a Committee of the whole House upon the Bill for the better employing the Poor, and setting them on Work, take into Consideration the great Services performed by the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the forfeited Estates of *Ireland*.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Hoskyns* and Sir *Robert Legard*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Ship *Martha*, of *Margam*, to trade as a free Ship, without any Amendment. Also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the better enabling of *Anne Baldwyn* Widow, to sell a capital Messuage and Lands called *Wilton*, and other Lands in the County of *Bucks*, devised by her Husband's Will, without any Amendment. Also

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the settling all Differences concerning Dame *Mary Bond's* Will; and for performing the same: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Colonel *Granville*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, who were to consider of the State of his Majesty's Revenue, the Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That there hath been a great Loss in his Majesty's Revenue of Excise, to the Prejudice of the Publick.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That there hath been a great Loss in his Majesty's Revenue of Excise, to the Prejudice of the Publick.

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Wallop's  
Estate.

Avon and  
Froom  
Navigation.

Private  
Business.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Irish For-  
feitures.

Martha Ship.

Baldwyn's  
Estate.

Lady Bond's  
Will.

State of  
Revenue.

Colonel *Granville* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee move the House, That they will consider of Methods for the Improvement of the said Revenue.

And the House proceeded to consider of the same accordingly.

*Resolved*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Land Tax and *Irish* Forfeiture Bills are committed, That they receive a Clause to enable his Majesty, for the Improvement of the Revenue, to lett to farm the Duties of Excise, if he thinks fit.

*Resolved*, That it be an Instruction also, That no Member of this House be concerned in the farming or managing the Revenue of the Excise.

Aldborough,  
&c.  
Elections.

*Ordered*, That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Albarough*, in the County of *York*; and touching the Election for the Borough of *Corf Castle*, in the County of *Dorset*, be made To-morrow Morning.

Expences in  
Elections.

*Ordered*, That the Act touching Expences in Elections be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning: And that Mr. *Sloane* do then attend in his Place.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service, be read To-morrow Morning.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bills for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions.

Impartial  
Proceedings  
in Parlia-  
ment.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the more free and impartial Proceedings in Parliament was committed, be taken into Consideration upon *Wednesday*, Morning next.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Sabbati, 2° die Martii;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Exporting  
Wool.

A PETITION of the Deputy Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace and several Gentlemen, and other Freeholders, and Inhabitants, within the County of *Cardigan*, on the behalf of themselves, and several Thousands of the Inhabitants, Clothiers, and Dealers in the Wool Trade, in the said County, and the Parts adjoining thereunto, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, for several Years past, the Petitioners have had considerable Trade in Wool, and the Woollen Manufactures; but that the same is now very much obstructed by several Persons employed as Officers to prevent the Exportation of Wool, by their seizing great Parcels thereof carrying to, and brought from, the Markets, and extorting several great Sums from Persons owning the same, though there never was any Wool exported from those Parts, or any Suspicion thereof: And praying Redress in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of

the Commissioners for preventing the Exportation of Wool is referred: And that the Committee do sit *de die in diem*.

A Bill for taking the Estate in Law of several Mes- Howland's  
suages and Lands mortgaged to *Jeffry* and *Edward How-* Estate.  
*land*, and their Heirs, out of the Marquis and Marchio-  
ness of *Taristock*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Blake*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *Edm. Seymour*, Mr. *Clerk*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Hancock*, Sir *Hen. Parker*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Sir *Barth. Shore*, Sir *Abstrupus Danby*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Freke*, Mr. *Burrard*, Mr. *Loxther*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Sir *Wm. Thomas*, Sir *Tho. Travell*, Sir *Rob. Clayton*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Carteret*, Mr. *Vernon*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Leicester*, *Northampton*, and *Warwick*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to prevent the Sale of Fish Fish taken by  
within this Kingdom, taken by Foreigners in foreign Ves- Foreigners.  
sels, be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

A Petition of the Bailiffs, Burgesses, Owners, Masters Duty on  
of Ships, and other Inhabitants of the ancient Coporation Coals.  
of *Scarborough*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by the Duty of 5 s. per Chaldron upon Coals, shipped and landed in *England*, the Exportation and Navigation of Coal coast-wise is very much diminished; and the Collier Trade, from being the most flourishing Nursery of Sailors, will, by the Continuance of that Duty, be brought to low and contemptible Circumstances: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Master Gunner and Gunners of his Army  
Majesty's Fort and Garison of *Sheerness*, was presented Arrears.  
to the House, and read; setting forth, That they are Seven Years in Arrear of Pay, and of Subsistence from the Second Day of December last; and have not had any Cloathing for above Eight Years; whereby they are reduced to very hard Circumstances, for want of Credit for the Support of themselves and Families: And praying the same may be taken into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Carter* reported from the Committee, to whom Regulating  
the Bill for Regulating of Prisons, was committed, That Prisons.  
they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be taken into Consideration upon *Thursday* Morning next.

A Petition of the poor distressed Prisoners for Debt Debtors  
in the common Gaol for the County of *Southampton*, was Petition.  
presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That their Case is harder than even those that are Felons for Murder, they being allowed Bread by the County Charge, and the Petitioners not one Morsel; whereby many of them die for Want, and no Notice taken thereof: And praying, That their Creditors may be compelled to take what the Petitioners have for their Satisfaction, that so they may be discharged to work for their Maintenance.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee to whom the Petitions of the Prisoners in the Gaol in the City of *Chester*, and other Gaols, are referred.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for Coal  
ascertaining the Measure of Sea-coal, according to the Measure.  
Measures used in *London*: And that Sir *Edward Hussey* and Mr. *Halford* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

An

Cloberry's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Debts of *John Cloberry* Esquire, deceased; and for raising Portions and Maintenance for his Children; was read a Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Scobell* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the Bill, without any Amendment.

Butler's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Henry Butler* Esquire, to make Leases of Part of his Estate in *Lancashire*, for Discharge of Incumbrances thereupon, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Bright*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Kirkby*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Heysham*, Sir *Hen. Parker*, Mr. *Newport*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Mr. *Offley*, Sir *Abstrupus Danby*, Sir *Tho. Grosvenor*, Mr. *Philips*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Yates*, Sir *Cha. Windham*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Crawford*, Mr. *Osbourne*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Blotfeild*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Whitchcot*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Greenhill*; and all that serve for the Counties of *York*, *Lancaster*, and *Chester*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Water-measure  
of Fruit.

A Bill to ascertain Water-measure of Fruit, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *Rob. Edon*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Sir *Ja. Hobland*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Abstrupus Danby*, Mr. *Hancock*, Sir *Cha. Windham*, Mr. *Clerk*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Ashurst*, Mr. *Thurwald*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Mr. *Chomley*, Mr. *Wynn*, Sir *Jacob Ashley*, Mr. *Woollaston*, Mr. *Campion*, Mr. *Vernon*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Gloucester*, *Worcester*, and *Hereford*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Justices of  
Peace Quali-  
fication.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for qualifying Justices of Peace.

Robinson's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill for vesting the Manor of *Overhall*, and other Lands, in the County of *Suffolk*, the Estate of Sir *Thomas Robinson* Baronet, under the Age of One and twenty Years, in Trustees, for the raising 7,000*l.* for the Portion of *Anne Robinson*, his only Sister; and for the vesting the Lands, and personal Estate, of the said *Anne*, in the said Sir *Thomas*, in lieu thereof; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for charging the Estate of Sir *Thomas Robinson* Baronet, with 7,000*l.* for the Portion of *Anne* his Sister; and for settling her Estate upon the said Sir *Thomas Robinson*, in lieu thereof.

*Ordered*, That the Earl of *Dysert* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Commission-  
ers of Ac-  
counts.

A Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Monday Morning next.

Estates given  
to Supersti-  
tious Uses.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to the Use of *Greenwich* Hospital: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read upon Monday Morning next.

King's Bench  
Prison.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Pye*, Mr. *Herbert*, be added to the Committee to whom the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *King's Bench* Prison, and for Dissolution of the said Prison, is committed.

Clandestine  
Trade.

A Bill for the more effectual preventing and punishing unlawful and clandestine Trading was read the First time.

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*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Friday Morning next.

Sir *Rozeland Gwynne*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the Borough of *Aldborough*, in the County of *York*; and the Resolution of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Table: Where the same was read and is as followeth; viz.

That the Petitioner upon the Hearing, did not controvert the Election of Sir *George Cook*:

That, upon the Poll, there was,

For Sir <i>Abstrupus Danby</i>	-	-	30
For the Petitioner	-	-	10

But the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That the Sitting Member's Votes were procured by Bribery: And called their Witnesses; viz.

*William Pentith* said, That, about Three Weeks or a Month before the Election, Sir *Abstrupus Danby* came to *Aldborough*, and sent for the Borough-men, and him amongst the rest; and told them, he had thought of a way to gratify the Town, if they would choose him Parliament-man; and that was, That he would give Two Loads of Coal to each Borough-man; and that he would send them Tickets, by which they should receive the same: And accordingly he did receive a Ticket from one of Sir *Abstrupus*'s Servants; who told him, They had been about to deliver Tickets to others; and accordingly he produced his Ticket, dated the 8th day of June, which, he said, was a Week after the Date: He said, The Tickets were given only to Borough-men, and to them without Distinction: That afterwards it was noised about the Town, that this would be reckoned Bribery: And Mr. *Johnson* and Mr. *Stavely*, Two of Sir *Abstrupus*'s Servants, desired his Ticket up again, because, they said, it might do their Master a Prejudice; but he refused to part with . . . :

That, about a Fortnight or Ten Days before the Election, Sir *Abstrupus* made use of his House to treat the Borough-men; and made use of his Fire and Candle; and he had of Mr. *Johnson* 2*l.* 5*s.* for the same: But, after all, he said, he did not vote for Sir *Abstrupus*.

*John Elly*, *Thomas Rawlins*, *Richard Smithson*, all concurred in this, That Sir *Abstrupus Danby* was a Stranger to the Borough; but did, some time before the Dissolution of the last Parliament, come to *Aldborough*, and offer himself to serve for the said Borough in Parliament; and desired their Votes: And that Sir *Abstrupus*, upon that Occasion, told them, That he would give to every Borough-man, Two Load of Coal, and send them Tickets for them to go and receive the same: And accordingly, afterwards, he did send Tickets to all the Borough-men, having Votes, indifferently: And *Elly*'s Ticket was produced to the Committee, of the same Date with *Pentith*'s. None of the Witnesses could say, any Coals were delivered by virtue of the said Tickets; but said, That some time after, and *Ellys* said, that 10 Days before the Election, Sir *Abstrupus Danby*, and his Servants, came to several Persons that had the Tickets, and told them, That it was feared those Tickets might do Sir *Abstrupus* a Diskindness; and therefore they desired the Tickets to be delivered up again; and told them, Sir *Abstrupus* would do them as good a Kindness: And accordingly most of them were delivered up again; and neither *Elly*, *Rawlins*, nor *Smithson*, voted for Sir *Abstrupus*.

That which was particular in their Evidence was, *Thomas Rawlins*; who said, That Sir *Abstrupus Danby* told them, his House was upon the Road as they went for the Coals; and, if they would call there, they should have Entertainment as they went by:

And that Mr. *Johnson*, Sir *Abstrupus*'s Steward, afterwards met him, and asked him to give his Vote for his Master; and pulled out an Handful of Money, and gave him 5*s.*; but he told the said Mr. *Johnson* he could not resolve him them: That, about a Fortnight before the

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the Election, he met Sir *Abstrupus* alone in the Street, who said to him, I suppose my Man has given you 5s.; and, if you will vote for me, I will give you Five Pounds.

*Richard Smithson* said, That he not being present with the rest, when Sir *Abstrupus* made the Promise to the Burgesses of giving them Two Loads of Coals apiece, the said Sir *Abstrupus* came to his House, and desired his Vote; and told him, He should have Two Load of Coals, and a Ticket to fetch them by; which he had: But afterwards Sir *Abstrupus* came to his Wife, and desired it again, and had it: And, about 10 Days before the Election, Sir *Abstrupus* met him, and told him, He would make it twice as good to him; and that, if he would give him his Vote, he would give his Daughter a *George*.

That *Stoesaker*, an Attorney, the Sunday before the Election, came to him, and desired his Vote for Sir *Abstrupus*; and told him, In that Case he would bear all the Charges of a Suit at Law he was engaged in, whether he won or lost.

And the said *Stoesaker* pretended to read a Letter to him, from his Mother and Brother-in-law; in which it was said, That, if he would vote for Sir *Abstrupus*, it should be better than One hundred Pounds to him; and *Rawlins* and *Smithson* said, That the said Mr. *Stoesaker* used to be much in Company with Sir *Abstrupus*, when he was in Town.

*Wm. Pentith* and *Fra. Barraby* said, That Mr. *Morris*, the Vicar of *Aldborough*, told them, He had offered Four Burgesses, who they named, but differed in their Evidence as to one of the Persons, to Mr. *Tankred*, if the said Mr. *Tankred* would give him 40 Pounds; *Morris* telling *Pentith*, That Mr. *Tankred* had put him to so much Charges in a Law-suit: But Mr. *Tankred* would not accept of him upon the said Terms; and went away angry from him.

Mr. *Barraby* said, That Mr. *Morris* made the same Proposal, touching the said Four Votes, for Mr. *Arthington*, who was also a Candidate.

And these Men being found in Sir *Abstrupus*'s Poll, the Petitioner's Counsel inferred, That Money was given for those Votes by Sir *Abstrupus*.

*Rawlins* also testified, That Mr. *Womble* came to him, and desired his Vote for Sir *Abstrupus*; and told him, It would be kindly taken by the Lady *Wentworth*; and that he voted for Sir *George Cook* and Mr. *Tankred*; and had Notice to quit his Farm that he held of the Lady *Wentworth*; and *George Lawton* and *Wm. Painter*, who held Two other Farms under the said Lady, had likewise Notice, as he was told, to quit their Farms: But the said *Rawlins* could not say, these Notices proceeded from their voting in the said Election; only, he said, He believed it was so, because he knew no other Reason for it.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel, as to the Point of delivering the Tickets for Coals, called

Mr. *Robert Stavelly*: Who said, That he, on the 9th of June, did deliver to each Borough-man a Ticket for Two Wain-loads of Coals, with this Caution, That they should fetch them before the Dissolution of the Parliament; and that, upon the delivering out of the Tickets, nobody was asked for their Votes, nor nobody promised them: That the last Parliament being near, in point of Time, to be dissolved, and no Coals having been delivered, it was thought it might be dangerous to let them continue out; and thereupon he called for the said Tickets; all which, except Six or Eight, were delivered up voluntarily, without any Promise of doing any thing in lieu of them; and all but Two of them signed a Note to make no Use of them, the Borough-men being willing no Prejudice should come to Sir *Abstrupus Danby*, and the Town, by them.

*Robert Turton* said, That the Tickets for Coals were delivered out on the 8th of June; and he was present at the Delivery of them; and there was no Vote then asked, nor mention made of the Election: That no Coals were delivered by virtue of the said Tickets; and that they were called in again before the Dissolution of the last Parliament.

Mr. *Thomas Johnson* denied, That he ever gave *Raw-*

*lins* any Money upon the Account of the Election; but said, The 5s. was given him on the 24th of May, for 15 Medals of old Coin which *Rawlins* had presented his Master with.

That Sir *Abstrupus Danby* treated the Borough-men at *Penty's* House, the 24th of June; and for the Use of his House, Linen, Fire, and Hay, by him then found, he, the said Mr. *Johnson*, did pay him Five and forty Shillings, which, at that time, the said *Penty* did think but indifferent Pay; and that he, the said Mr. *Johnson*, at that time, did not mention his voting to the said *Penty*, nor knew that he had any Vote.

*Rawlins*, being called to confront Mr. *Johnson*, to that Point of Evidence touching the said Mr. *Johnson's* giving him 5s. denied that ever he gave any Medals to Mr. *Johnson*; but he gave them to one of *Rippon*: And at first, he said, That the said Person of *Rippon* did not pay him for them, but Mr. *Johnson* did: But, being asked again to that Matter, he said, Mr. *Johnson* told him, when he gave him the 5s. That it was not for those Medals: Yet the said *Rawlins* acknowledged, That he had no Consideration for the said Medals.

As to *Richard Smithson*; it was opened by the Sitting Member's Counsel, That he had been guilty of Sheep-stealing, and a Man of no Reputation: And they called *Richard Scruton*, who began his Evidence with relation to that Matter; but he was interrupted by the Petitioner's Counsel objecting to it, as not being proper Evidence, without shewing that the said *Richard . . . son* was convicted for the same.

*Richard Scruton* said, That *Rawlins*, at the Election of Knights of the Shire at *York*, did swear, That he had 40s. a Year Freehold; and that he, or his Father, never had any Freehold.

Mr. *Robert Smithson*, and Mr. *John Brough*, said, That *Thomas Rawlins* and *Richard Smithson* were Men of bad Reputation.

And that the Committee came to this Resolution:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir *Abstrupus Danby* Knight is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Aldborough* in the County of *York*.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Sir *Abstrupus Danby* Knight is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this Parliament for the Borough of *Aldborough*, in the County of *York*.

Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, according to Order, also reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the Borough of *Corf Castle*, in the County of *Dorset*; and the Resolution of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

That the Right of Election was agreed to be in such as have an Estate of Inheritance, or Freehold, or a Lease for Years, determinable upon Life or Lives, paying Scot and Lot.

That, upon the Mayor's Poll, there was,

For Mr. *Fownes* - - - 61.

For Mr. *Culliford* - - - 53.

But the Petitioner's Counsel complained of great Partiality in the Mayor:

And insisted, That they would add to their Poll 19, who had voted at the last Election; and Seven others, whose Title accrued since:

That, as to the Partiality of the Mayor, the Petitioner's Counsel called several Witnesses; *viz.*

*Nicolas Cobb*: Who said, That Mr. *Dackomb*, who was Mayor at the time of the Election, asked him for his Vote for Mr. *Fownes* before the Election; and that the said *Cobb* saying, He had no Reason so to do, because the not voting for him before was the Occasion of the Loss of his Work, the said Mr. *Dackomb* promised him his Work again if he would vote at this Election for Mr. *Fownes*; and

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and told him further, That, if he the said *Cobb* wanted Money, though himself was streightened for Money at that time, he would pay him a Guinea in part of a Debt he owed him; which accordingly he received: But he did not acknowledge, That before he had threatened to arrest the Mayor for his Money. He also said further, That, Three Days before the Election, the said Mr. *Dackomb* went about from House to House, to solicit Votes for Mr. *Fownes*; and that, the Night before the Election, he was at the *Ship*; and Mr. *Fownes* and Mr. *Dackomb* came in, and asked, Who was above? To which was answered, Mr. *Culliford* and Mr. *Rose*: And thereupon the said Mr. *Dackomb* said, That if Mr. *Fownes* had but Five Votes on the Morrow, he would return him: That this was spoke by Mr. *Dackomb*, over his Shoulder, to Mr. *Fownes*; who replied nothing to it. The said *Cobb* acknowledged, That Mr. *Fownes* promised him nothing for his Vote; and that he voted for Mr. *Culliford*, and had none of the said *Dackomb*'s Work since.

*Wm. Furzman* said, That he voted for Mr. *Culliford*; but that Mr. *Dackomb* the Mayor came to him twice, and asked him his Vote for Mr. *Fownes*; but he told the said Mr. *Dackomb*, He could not: Whereupon the said Mr. *Dackomb* said, That if Mr. *Culliford* had 100 Votes more than Mr. *Fownes*, he would return Mr. *Fownes*.

*George Gould* said, That he was present at the Taking of the Poll: That he took Notice, that his Father was at first called to vote, and voted for Mr. *Culliford*; and, though the Mayor knew him to be a good Vote, he would not let him vote without shewing his Deeds, which he was forced to ride 10 Miles for; and that Mr. *Dackomb* the Mayor then set down his Name, without looking into the Deeds.

*George Gould*, Mr. *N. Smith* said, That after the Poll was over, Mr. *Culliford* telling the said Mr. *Dackomb*, That he had the Majority of Votes, and therefore desired of the said Mr. *Dackomb*, That he might be returned, Mr. *Dackomb* answered, What if you have? It's no matter for that: I will return Mr. *Fownes*.

Mr. *N. Smith* said, That Mr. *Dackomb* said, If a Man voted for Mr. *Culliford*, though he lived a great Way off, he would make him fetch his Deeds.

Mr. *N. Smith* and Mr. *John Goodwin* said, That the Mayor was very partial in polling, particularly in this; That though one *Frost*, who had Lands which were bought of the Mayor, and made over to him Three Months before the Election, yet the Mayor denied him his Vote; saying, He knew he had a Vote; but he should not pass then, though he should at another time.

Mr. *John Goodwin* further said, That he took the Poll for Mr. *Culliford* by the Approbation of Mr. *Dackomb*, the then Mayor: And that Mr. *Culliford*, after the Poll was over, desired him to cast up the Poll: Which he did; and found there was 78 for Mr. *Culliford*, and 59 for Mr. *Fownes*: Whereupon Mr. *Culliford* said, That he, having the Majority, expected to be returned: And Mr. *Dackomb* said, No matter for that; he would return Mr. *Fownes*: And that Mr. *Culliford* desired a Scrutiny; and the Mayor denied it; saying, There was no Occasion for it.

Mr. *John Glover* delivered in the Mayor's Poll; in which the Numbers were as above; only there were Three Queries entered, as to Three of Mr. *Culliford*'s Voters.

That the Petitioner's Counsel then proceeded to the justifying of the 19, which they alleged had voted at the former Election, and were now refused: And

Mr. *Robert Culliford*, Mr. *N. Smith*, said, That they were present at the Election in August was Twelve-month, at which there was the strictest Scrutiny that ever they saw in their Lives, by all the Four Candidates.

That the Names of the 19 were as follow: *Simon Brown*, *John Hayward*, *Thomas Chub*, *Thomas Roberts*, *John Dolling*, *Wm. Speck*, *David Hibbs*, *Wm. Randyll*, *Tho. Pargit*, *Robert Beer*, *Ben. Tom*, *Sam. Senell*, *John Solymán* alias *Burges*, *Wm. Snook*, *Wm. Long*, *Rob. Roe junior*, *Ant. Furzman*, *Wm. Camell*, *Jam. Thompson*; but it was allowed, that *Randyll*, *Toms*, and *Snook*, received Alms.

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And *Solomon* had received Bread.

*Roberts* and *Brown* were allowed by the Sitting Member's Counsel.

As to the rest, the Evidence was as follows:

*Solomon*'s Lease was produced before the Committee; which was, of a Cottage, and Piece of Ground thereto belonging, for his Life.

*Roe*'s Lease was also produced; which was for Life; but no Livery of Seisin indorsed.

*Camell*'s Deed was produced; which was of a Garden-plot in Fee; and Seisin indorsed.

*John Hayward*'s Deed was for his natural Life; and Seisin indorsed.

*Ant. Furzman*'s Deed was produced; which was to him in Fee; but no Seisin indorsed.

*James Thomson*'s Deed was produced; which was for Lives; but no Livery indorsed.

As to *Thomas Chub*, they produced a Lease, for Years determinable on Lives, to *Giles Cobb*: And it was said, That *Thomas Chub* married *Cobb*'s Daughter, who was intitled to the said Lease.

As to the rest of the 19, the Petitioner's Counsel called several Witnesses; viz.

Mr. *N. Smith*: Who said, That *David Hibbs* married *Elias Hayward*'s Daughter and Heir; which *Hayward* was intitled to a Meadow in *Corf Castle*, worth about 4*l.* a Year, and had voted for it 20 Years; and, since his Death, the said *Hibbs* was in possession of it: That he believed, that *Hibbs* claimed only under a Lease for Years; but he said, That the said *Hibbs* did pay to Church and Poor:

That he was one of *Rich. Painter*'s Administrators, and sold to *Robert Beer* an Estate for Fourscore Years, if one Life should continue so long: And that the said *Robert Beer* paid to Church and Poor:

That *John Dolling* voted at the Election in August was Twelve-months, and was allowed then: That he was his Father's eldest Son; but could not say, whether he or his Mother was in Possession.

Mr. *N. Smith*, Mr. *Rob. Row*, said, That *Wm. Long* had an Estate of Freeland of 40*s.* a Year, given to him by his Grandfather; and voted in August was 12 Months for Mr. *Bancks* and Mr. *Fownes*.

Mr. *Rob. Row* said, That he was present when *Speck* bought a Tenement of *Thomas Randyll*, and paid for it; and that that Tenement had always been voted for.

That, about 10 or 11 Years ago, *Thomas Pargit* bought a Freehold Lease of a Tenement of *Wm. Norman*, and he has enjoyed it ever since.

Mr. *N. Smith* said, That *Sam. Senell* had a Lease for 80 Years, if he lives so long, of a House which he bought of Mr. *Hayter*; and voted in August was 12 Months for Mr. *Banks* and Mr. *Clavell*; and *Senell* was taxed at 1*d.*

As to the Seven others that tendered themselves for the Petitioner, whose Title accrued since the last Election; their Names were as follow:

*John Frost*, *Sam. Presly*, *John Sumers*, *Fran. Alford*, *John Bythewood*, *Lewis Cockram*, *John Harris*.

As to *John Frost*; there was no Lease produced; but Mr. *N. Smith* said, That *John Frost*'s Father bought an Estate of Mr. *Dackomb* the Mayor; and that, about Three Months before the Election, he made the Assignment of the Estate from his Father to him, and the Deed was offered in Court; but Mr. *Dackomb* told him he should not vote in this Election: It was acknowledged, That the said *Frost* had not the Estate long enough to pay Church and Poor.

*George Gould* said, That he was present when *John Frost* offered to poll for Mr. *Culliford*; and the then Mayor said, He knew him to be a good Vote, and he should pass the next time.

*Thomas Sumers* said, That *James Sumers* had 5*l.* or 6*l.* a Year Freehold Land.

And they produced a Conveyance to *Margaret Fry*, in Fee, with Seisin, and *Margaret Frye*'s Will, by which

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it was alleged it was given to *James Sumer's* Mother, whose Heir he was.

*Rowe* said, That *John Bythewood* had 20 l. a Year; but he did not know his Title.

*John Goodwyn* said, That *Bythewood's* Father did vote 20 Years ago, for the same Estate his Son has, for Sir *Nath. Napper*; but he could not say whether *Bythewood* paid to Church and Poor, having been out of Town sometimes: But, being further interrogated, he could not say whether it was Land or Houses. But,

*Furzman* and *Cha. Clarke* said, That *Bythewood* had his Father's Estate, which was 20 l. a Year; and that he had paid the King's Tax, and all Duties but to Church and Poor: And *Furzman* said, That his Father had voted in former Elections.

As to *John Harris*; they produced a Conveyance to his Mother for Life, and an Assignment thereof from *John Brookes* to the said *Harris*: There is no Livery indorsed; but Mr. *Smith* said, That the said *Brookes* married *Harris's* Mother, and she was living.

*Sam Presly's* Deed was produced; which is a Lease for Lives; but no Livery indorsed.

*Francis Aldford's* Deed was produced; which was for an Estate for Lives.

*Lewis Cockram* was not insisted upon by the Petitioner's Counsel, being owned to be only a Trustee.

That then the Petitioner's Counsel applied themselves to their Exceptions to the Sitting Member's Voters; and excepted to Twelve in Number; viz. Mr. *John Browne*, *Richard Fownes*, Mr. *Etterick*, \* *Speer*, Mr. *Russell*, *Tho. Webber*, Mr. *W. Bolton*, *Wm. Butler*, Mr. *R. Bolton*, *Jos. Marsh*, \* *St. Loe*, *Ch. Savadge*.

The Exception to Mr. *John Brown* was not insisted on; he being mistaken for another of the same Name.

The following Four were excepted to, as being Trustees only of an Estate settled on *Winbourne* for Charity; and that Fact was admitted by the Sitting Member's Counsel; but they insisted, They were not thereby disqualified to vote.

Mr. *Richard Fownes* his Vote was not insisted on by the Sitting Member's Counsel.

Mr. *N. Smith* said, That *St. Loe* had no Estate, that ever he heard of: That he did not pretend to any at the Election; but said, He voted as the Mayor's Guardian.

Mr. *J. Goodwin* said, That *St. Loe* had no Estate.

Mr. *N. Smith* said, That *Savage* does not pretend to pay; but pretended to a Vote by virtue of an Act of Parliament, as a Trustee for Sir *John Hannam's* Estate; which was sold long before the Election.

That *Speer* had no Lease; and does not pay to Church and Poor; and never voted before.

That the House and Garden that *Thomas Webber* voted for are not above 20 s. a Year; and he and his Landlord voted for it; and both were for Mr. *Fownes*.

As to *Wm. Butler*; That his Brother *Benfeild* voted for the same Estate; and that he does not pay to Church and Poor: And that *Jos. Marsh* is reported to have bought a little Thing, but does not pay; and the Witness did believe, That no Conveyance of the Estate was made at the time of the Hearing by the Committee.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel were heard by way of Reply; which was to justify Mr. *Dackomb*, the then Mayor, against the Accusation of partial Proceedings.

And, as to his Refusing of Votes offered for the Petitioner; they also took Exception to Three polled for the Petitioner.

As to the Carriage of the Mayor; the Sitting Member's Counsel called Mr. *John Moreton* and Mr. *Ogden*; who said, That the Mayor carried himself very fair in the said Election: And Mr. *Ogden* said, That Mr. *Culliford's* own Counsel owned it; but that Mr. *Culliford* made short Speeches, and aspersed the Gentlemen; which incited the Mob to make a Noise: And that they abused Colonel *Strangeways*, Mr. *Freke*, and others.

That Two or Three offered their Votes to the Sitting Member; but Mr. *Dackombe*, the then Mayor, said,

Those Votes were made since the last Election, and he would not allow of them; and that the first who were refused offered themselves for the Sitting Member.

*Robert Webber* said, That he knew *David Hibbs*; and that he had no Estate in the Borough, the Estate being his Wife's Mother's, who paid Taxes for it:

That what Estate *Robert Beer* had, came to him by the Death of Mr. *Painter*, which was sold to him by *Painter's* Administrators; and, though he had the Estate before the Election, he did not pay to Church and Poor till after the Election:

That *John Solomon* had Bread every Sunday; and has received Alms several times Seven Years ago, and since; and particularly in the Year of the Election; not constant, but occasionally upon Sickness:

That *Robert Rowe* had a Freehold; but it was not above 12 d. a Year:

That he knew of no Estate for Life, or Years determinable upon Life, that *Wm. Camell* had; and that *Jer-voise Browne* was in possession, and paid the King's Taxes.

As to *John Hayward*; he could not speak.

That *John Dollin* had no Estate, but the Right was in his Mother.

As to *Wm. Long*; he could not speak.

That *Antony Furzman's* Father was always rated for the Thing he pretends to; and that *Antony Furzman* was not in Possession.

It was acknowledged, That *James Thompson* had a Freehold Lease from the Churchwardens.

That *Thomas Chub* declared himself, That he had no Right to vote; having sold his Lease to *Henry Speer* before the Election.

As to *Wm. Speck* and *Thomas Pargit*; he could not speak.

That *Sam. Senell* had nothing to vote for; but that the Right was in *Hayter*, who had a Lease from the Corporation, and voted.

As to the Seven whose Right, it was alleged, accrued since the last Election;

*Robert Webber* said only to Three of them; viz. *James Summers*, *John Bythewood*, and *John Harris*: And said, That *James Summers* had no Estate; for that the Land was his Mother's, and his Father was living, and in Possession:

That *John Bythewood* had a Chattel Lease within the Liberty; but paid Scot and Lot to *Studland*:

That *John Harris's* Mother had the first Life in the Estate, and was in Possession.

As to some of the Nineteen and Seven, not spoke to by *Webber*; viz. *John Hayward*, *Wm. Long*, *Thomas Pargit*, and *John Frost*, the Sitting Member's Counsel examined

*George White*: Who said, That *John Hayward* did not pay to Church and Poor, and had no Freehold:

As to *Wm. Long*; That *Saunders* declared before the Committee, this time Twelvemonth, That the Estate was made over to him in respect of a Bastard Child; and that he was in Possession, and pays Scot and Lot:

As to *Thomas Pargit*; That *Wm. Norman* was in Possession of the whole Thing, and paid Taxes for it; though *Pargit* pretended to Part:

That *Frost's* Estate was but a Chattel Lease, and bought just before the Election; and he had not then paid to Church and Poor.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel then proceeded to justify their own Votes: And

*White* said, That the Trustees for *Winbourn* Charity have all of them voted for 20 Years; and were allowed, except at Serjeant *Bond's* Election, when they were objected to.

Mr. *Richard Fownes* was given up by the Sitting Member's Counsel.

*White* said, As to *Edward Speer*, he had formerly produced his Deeds, and has a Freehold in Right of his Wife; and voted in August was Twelve-months.

Mr. *Humphreys* said, That Mr. *Savage* produced the Copy of an Act, which was shewed to Mr. *Culliford's* Counsel; and he was allowed to have an Estate in Fee.

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*Richard Jones* said, That *St. Leo* had a Freehold, and was in Possession: But it was acknowledged, That he was a Trustee:

That *Joseph Marsh* bought a Freehold Estate of one *Sleigh*:

That *Wm. Butler* has had a Freehold Lease from his Father these Two Years:

That *Thomas Webber* has a Freehold between him and another:

As to *Speck*; That he being asked by *Jones* to assign his Lease, for Security of Money he desired to borrow of *Jones*, declared, His Lease was in *Mr. Culliford's* Hands.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel then took Exception to Three that voted for the Petitioner: And

*Richard Jones* said, That *Edward Toop* junior had no Estate in *Corf*; it being his Mother's Inheritance:

That he does not know that *Robert Gentile* hath any thing in *Corf*; and that he never voted in any former Election:

As to *Robert Symonds*; That he never knew of any Estate he had till last Election; and then he pretended to have bought an Estate of his Brother; but he shewed no Deeds.

And the Will of *John Symonds* was read.

That the Petitioner's Counsel, to justify the said Three Votes, called *Mr. Smith*: Who said, That he knew *Gentile*, and the Ground he votes for, and paid him Rent for it; and that it was a Freehold of about 5s. a Year.

That *Edward Toop* had a Piece of Land, within the Borough, of 10s. a Year: And that there was not a better Voice in *Corf* than *John Symonds*.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to this Resolution; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Richard Fownes* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Corf Castle*, in the County of *Dorset*.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Richard Fownes* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Corfe Castle*, in the County of *Dorset*.

Expences in Elections.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Act made in the Seventh Year of his Majesty's Reign, for preventing Charge and Expence in Elections of Members to serve in Parliament.

And the Petition of *Edmund Soame* Esquire was again read.

And the said Act was read.

And *Mr. Sloane* attending, according to Order;

He was heard in his Place.

And then withdrew.

And a Debate arising in the House, upon the Construction of the said Act, upon *Mr. Sloane's* being again chosen and returned for the Borough of *Thetford*;

And the Question being put, That the said *Mr. Sloane* be capable of serving in this present Parliament for the said Borough;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Mr. Ireton,* } 112.  
                                  { *Mr. Poultney:* }

Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. Bertie,* } 144.  
                                  { *Mr. Winnington:* }

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition of *Mr. Soame* be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Woollen Manufactures.

Resolved, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-nights, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for taking away the Duties on Woollen Manufactures exported.

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Ordered, That the Petitions and Reports from the Seamen's Arrears. Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, touching Q's and R's, be taken into Consideration upon this Day Sevensnight.

Ordered, That the Bill do resume the Grants of all Supply Bill; Lands, and other Revenues of the Crown, since the Resumption of Grants. 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick; be read a Second time upon Wednesday Morning next.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to Bone-lace. whom the Petition of the Clothiers of *Salisbury*, relating to the Bill for prohibiting the Importation of foreign Bone-lace was . . . . . be made upon Wednesday Morning next.

Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned. Committees.

And then the House adjourned till Monday Morning, Eight a Clock.

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PRAYERS.

A PETITION of Captain *Mark Cazalet* was pre- Half-pay. sented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was in the Commission of Lieutenant in 1688, and was afterwards made a Captain; but, upon some Difference with his Colonel, he was obliged to quit his Commission in 1697, after having spent 2,000*l.* in his said Service; and that there is due to him above 300*l.* for Arrears: And praying to be put upon the List of Half-pay, till he shall be paid his Arrears.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie upon the Table, with the other Petitions relating to Half-pay.

*Mr. Rayner*, according to Order, presented to the Bourges, &c. House a Bill to naturalize *John Bourges*, and others; Nat. And the same was received; and read the First time. Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

The House being informed, That *Mr. Aldworth* at- Crown Lands. tended, according to Order;

He was called in: And, at the Bar, presented to the House a Copy of his Memorial, directed by the House.

And then withdrew.

And the Title of the said Memorial was read:

And the said Memorial is as followeth; viz.

To the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury.

May it please your Lordships,

Upon the Decease of *Mr. Auditor Phelps*, your Lordships being pleased to refer the Accounts of that District to my Examination, I did, in order thereunto, receive from *Mr. Marriot*, the said late Auditor's Deputy, pursuant to your Lordships Commands, sundry Books of Inrollment, Records, Accounts, and Papers, relating to that Office; and, amongst the rest, the Accounts of *Mr. Smith*, as Receiver of *Norfolk* and *Huntingdon* for Six Years, ended at *Michaelmas* 1686, declared by *Sir John Ernle*, then Chancellor of the Exchequer, 8° Decembris 1688.

And, upon the Perusal of the Account for the Year ended at *Michaelmas* 1681, a true Copy whereof is hereunto annexed, I find discharged not only divers Rents within the said Counties alleged to be sold, and amounting to 391*l.* 9*s.* per Annum; but also the Sum of 2,725*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.* Part of the Arrears in the preceding Account depending; for that they are alleged to be sold, as by a Schedule thereof.

Now the Accounts of this Revenue for sundry preceding Years, from whence these Arrears are brought, were



were not delivered to me; neither is there any Rental, or Particular of the said Rents: And, this being the First Account of the said Mr. *Smith*, he avers, he can say nothing to the Rents and Arrears thus discharged; nor does he know where the preceding Accounts are.

And Mr. *Marriott* says the same.

To supply which Defect, I have taken a great deal of Pains, from the last Accounts and Records in my Custody, to draw out the Particulars of all the Rents in Charge before the Year 1660, hereunto annexed; taking notice of all such as appeared to be sold by Deeds inrolled in the aforesaid Office, of what is Parcel of the Queen Dowager's Jointure, and of those which Mr. *Smith* receives at this

Day; for the respective Tenants to answer by what Warrant they pay the Remainder of the said Rents to any other Person than the Receiver; which will be chargeable and vexatious; and yet seems necessary to be done, unless your Lordships will allow the said 391 *l.* 9 *s.* per Annum, and the said Arrears of 2,725 *l.* 17 *s.* 8  $\frac{1}{2}$  *d.* to be taken from the Crown by Allegation: Besides there are a great many other Accounts wanting, and several Leaves cut out of One of the Books of Inrollment; and, in another Book, some Leaves are sewed in: Which is most humbly submitted to your Lordships Consideration.

*Wm. Aldworth.*

10° Martii 1696.

Comitat'    Declaratio comp' Johannis Smith, gen' receptor' general' reven' donini Regis infra com' præd' pro uno anno integro, fuit ad fest' S. Michaelis Archangeli, anno R. Regis } 33<sup>re</sup>, 1681  
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Declaratu' viii<sup>o</sup> die Decembris 1688.

Stated and examined per *J. Phelps, Audit.*

**J. Ernle.**

## In the County of Norfolk :

The late Priory of *Horesham* :

	£.	s.	d.	
Divers Lands and Tenements in the City of } <i>Norwich</i> - - - - - }	7	5	9	
A Teneiment there, late <i>Richard Walker's</i>	0	0	6	
A Tenth reserved for divers Lands and Te- } nements there - - - - - }	0	12	9½	
The <i>Spital-house</i> in <i>St. Stephen's</i> Parish there	0	6	0	
A Tenth for the Rectory of <i>Houghton</i> -	0	6	0	
The like for the Manor of <i>Righborrough</i>	1	9	3½	Sold to <i>Joseph Horneby, et al.</i> , 29 <sup>o</sup> Aug. 1672.
The Alms-house in <i>Norwich</i> , sold per } Mayor, &c. - - - - - }	0	6	0	
The Rectories of <i>All Saints, St. George,</i> } and <i>St. Martin's</i> - - - - - }	0	0	8	
The Manor of <i>Horsham</i> and <i>Westrudam</i>	4	14	4½	Sold to <i>Geo. Hadley</i> Esquire, 2 <sup>o</sup> August 72.
The Manor of <i>Cley</i> - - - - -	0	8	0	£. s. d.
The Rectory of <i>Reynshall</i> - - - - -	0	9	4	- - - - - 0 9 4
The Rectory of <i>Barwick</i> - - - - -	0	2	8	

The late Priory of *Carrowe* :

A Tenth out of the said Priory, late the } Lady <i>May's</i> - - - - - }	3	4	3	} Sold to the said <i>George Hadley</i> , 2 <sup>o</sup> Aug. 72.
The like, late <i>Edward Day's</i> - - - - - }	0	10	0	

The late Priory of *Bromeholme* :

Rents of Assize, of the free and customary } Tenements of the Manor of <i>Northrepps</i> }	0	17	11½	
The like in <i>Winterton</i> - - - - -	0	11	4	
<i>Eastsomerton</i> - - - - -	0	0	11	
<i>Bromedale</i> - - - - -	0	4	0	
<i>Dilham</i> - - - - -	0	0	7½	
<i>Hempsted</i> - - - - -	0	3	0	
<i>Moundeslowe</i> - - - - -	0	1	8	
<i>Redlington</i> - - - - -	0	4	6	
And <i>Emmingham</i> - - - - -	0	1	8	
A Pension out of <i>Crosthwaite</i> Rectory -	0	3	4	
The like out of the Rectories of <i>Ridlington</i>	0	3	4	
<i>Hedingham</i> - - - - -	0	4	0	
<i>Walcot</i> - - - - -	0	13	4	
<i>Barton</i> - - - - -	0	8	4	
<i>Knapton</i> - - - - -	0	6	8	
<i>Alderton,</i> } <i>Bromeswell,</i> } In <i>Suffolk</i> <i>Dallinghoe,</i> }	0	10	0	
And <i>Horeham</i> - - - - -	0	1	0	
	0	5	0	
Tenths reserved out of the Manor of <i>Wor-</i> } <i>stead</i> - - - - - }	0	7	10½	
Out of the Site of the Manors of <i>Bromo-</i> } <i>holme, Eastwick, Barton, and Winton,</i> }	5	7	6	
and Rectory of <i>Eastwick</i> - - - - - }				
Out of the Manor of <i>Northwalstham</i> -	0	3	11½	
Out of the Manor of <i>Knapton</i> - - - - -	0	3	11½	
And out of the Rectory of <i>Paston</i> - - -	0	10	7	
A Tenth reserved out of the late Priory of } <i>Beeston</i> - - - - - }	1	8	6	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 <sup>o</sup> July 1673.

The late Priory of *Hempton* :

The Site of the said late Priory - - -	2	0	8½	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 <sup>o</sup> July 73.
Lands in <i>Thesterton</i> and <i>Rainham</i> - - -	0	4	2½	
The Manor of <i>Worstead</i> - - - - -	0	6	8	
Lands in <i>Little Frauncham</i> - - - - -	0	0	5	
Lands in <i>Mileham</i> - - - - -	0	0	8½	

The late Priory of *Waybridge* :

A Tenth of the said Priory - - - - -	0	9	4	} Sold to the said Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 16 <sup>o</sup> Junii 73.
The like out of the late Priory of <i>Wayborn</i>	1	18	6	

The late Priory of *Thetford Cannons* :

The Site, late the Earl of <i>Arundell's</i> -	1	11	8	} Sold to the said Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 <sup>o</sup> July 73.
A Tenement called <i>Clenches</i> - - - - -	0	0	7½	
Lands in <i>Moulton</i> , late Sir <i>Richard Higham's</i>	0	2	7	- - - - - 0 2 7
Lands in <i>Foulden, Downham, Meth-</i> } <i>wold, Westcliff, and Heceningham,</i> }	- 0 4 7½	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - - 0 4 7½
late <i>John Moptide's</i> - - - - -				
<i>Lancelot Watson's</i> - - - - -				
And <i>John Findall's</i> - - - - -	1	8		

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The late Priory of *Blackborrow* :

	£.	s.	d.	
A Portion of Tythes in <i>Northrunton</i> , called } Notely Farm - - - - - }	2	0	0	Sold to the said Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 <sup>o</sup> July 1673.
The like in <i>Wetherdon</i> in <i>Suffolk</i> , late the } Rector's - - - - - }	1	3	4	
Rents of Assize in <i>Congham</i> , <i>Grimsted</i> , & } al', in <i>Norfolk</i> and <i>Suffolk</i> - - - }	1	4	8	
Lands in <i>Northclenchharton</i> , late <i>Richard</i> } le <i>Strange's</i> - - - - - }	4	0	0	
The Rectory of <i>Middleton</i> - - - - -	5	0	0	Sold to the said Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , ut supra.
Two Parcels of Marsh or Pasture in <i>South-</i> } <i>Lynne</i> - - - - - }	0	8	0	
The Site and Demesne Lands of the said } late Priory - - - - - }	1	3	9	£. s. d. 1 3 9

The late Priory of *Langley* :

The Manor and Rectory of <i>Rockland</i> - - -	0	11	1½	
The Manor of <i>Kirby Bedon</i> - - - - -	0	3	8½	
The Manor of <i>Poringland</i> - - - - -	0	2	7½	
The Manor of <i>Heckingham</i> , sold per <i>John</i> } <i>Duke</i> - - - - - }	1	0	3½	
And <i>William Friske</i> - - - - -	0	13	0	
Marsh Lands called <i>Kennisholme</i> - - -	1	4	0	Sold to the said Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 <sup>o</sup> July 1673.

The late Priory of *Pentney* :

The Rectory of <i>Ketteringham</i> - - - - -	0	10	0	
The Manor of <i>Ashwood</i> in <i>Pentney</i> - - -	2	9	6½	} Sold to the said Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , ut antea.
The Manor of <i>Graces</i> in <i>Narborough</i> - - -	1	5	7	
The Rectory of <i>Whitwell</i> - - - - -	0	2	8	
Lands in <i>Wiggenhall</i> - - - - -	2	0	0	
<i>Lynne</i> - - - - -	1	3	4½	
And <i>Sottesham</i> - - - - -	0	1	8	
The Manor of <i>Aleswythorp</i> - - - - -	6	0	0	
The Rectory of <i>Pentney</i> - - - - -	0	2	11½	
The Rectory of <i>Billney</i> - - - - -	0	8	11½	
The Manor of <i>West Billney</i> - - - - -	2	10	0	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 <sup>o</sup> July 73.
The Manor of <i>Worsted</i> - - - - -	0	9	4	
Lands belonging to the late Priory of } <i>Hickling</i> - - - - - }	33	6	8	Sold to <i>George Hadley</i> Esquire, 2 <sup>do</sup> Aug. 72.

The late Priory of *Bynneham* :

The Site and Demesnes there - - - - -	6	6	2	Sold to the said <i>Geo. Hadley</i> Esquire, ut supra.
The Manor of <i>Bazney</i> - - - - -	2	9	1	
The Manor of <i>Darsingham</i> - - - - -	1	11	3½	} Sold to the said <i>Geo. Hadley</i> , ut antea.
The Rectory of <i>Darsingham</i> - - - - -	1	12	0	
The Manor of <i>Wells</i> - - - - -	0	6	9	
The Manor of <i>Gunthorpe</i> - - - - -	1	0	6	- - - - - 1 0 6

The late Priory of *Campesey* :

The Manor of <i>Tottington</i> - - - - -	3	1	0	Sold to the said <i>Geo. Hadley</i> , ut antea.
The Rectories of <i>Scorston</i> and <i>Tunstead</i> - -	0	9	6	
Lands in <i>Upwell</i> - - - - -	0	9	1	- - - - - 0 9 1

The late Priory of *Flixton* :

The Rectory of <i>Funhall</i> - - - - -	0	6	8
Lands in <i>Northcreeke</i> - - - - -	0	2	6

The late Priory of *Herringfleet* :

Lands in <i>Revingham</i> and <i>Tofts</i> - - - - -	0	2	2
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The late College of *Herringby* :

The Manor of <i>Barton Buriall</i> - - - - -	0	12	4½
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The late Monastery of *West Dereham* :

The Site - - - - -	2	6	5	} Sold to the said Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 <sup>o</sup> Julii 1673.
Divers Parcels of Meadow, Pasture, and } Marsh in <i>Marsh-lands</i> - - - - - }	2	9	1	
Divers other Parcels there at Will - - -	2	10	11	
A Fishery and Fishing in <i>Helgay</i> and } <i>Fourdham</i> - - - - - }	1	5	0	
Lands, Tenements, et al', in <i>Weston</i> - -	0	10	0	
Fifty Acres of Lands in the Fields of } <i>Holleham</i> - - - - - }	1	13	0	
Lands in <i>Riston</i> exchanged - - - - -	0	6	8	
The Rectory of <i>Hunstone</i> - - - - -	0	13	4	
The Manor of <i>Orborough</i> - - - - -	3	6	8	Sold to <i>Geo. Hadley</i> Esquire, 2 <sup>do</sup> Aug. 72.



The late Priory of *Westacre*:

	£.	s.	d.	
The Manor of <i>Goodwick</i> - - -	2	3	0	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 <sup>o</sup> July 1673.
The Manor of <i>Mareham</i> - - -	0	8	0	
The Manor of <i>Fraunceham</i> - - -	0	3	8	
The Manor and Rectory of <i>Rowdham</i> - - -	1	6	4	Sold to the said Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , <i>ut supra</i> .
Tythes in <i>Necton</i> - - - - -	0	5	4	

The late Priory of *Walsingham*:

The Manor of <i>Righborough</i> - - -	4	7	1	
The Manor of <i>Northcreeke</i> - - -	1	8	3	
The Manor of <i>Spareham</i> - - -	0	4	0	
The Tythes of the said late Priory of <i>Wal-</i> <i>singham</i> - - - - -	0	2	0	
Lands in <i>Foulsham</i> - - - - -	0	8	0	
The Manor of <i>Moorhall in Saul</i> - - -	0	17	4½	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 <sup>o</sup> July 1673.

The Monastery of *Shouldam*:

The Manor of <i>Darsingham</i> - - -	0	6	0	
The Manor of <i>Wolverton</i> - - -	0	10	0	
The Rectory of <i>St. Michael's Fincham</i> - - -	2	0	0	Sold to <i>Joseph Hornby, et al'</i> , 29 <sup>o</sup> Aug. 72.
Lands in <i>Carbrooke</i> - - - - -	0	16	1½	
The Manor and Rectory of <i>Cavenham</i> - - -	3	17	11	Sold to <i>Hornby, et al', ut supra</i> .
Lands in <i>Carleton</i> , late <i>Wm. Thompson's</i> Heirs - - - - -	0	2	0	
Lands in <i>Fincham</i> , late <i>Tho. Gibson's</i> Heirs - - - - -	0	0	3	
Lands in <i>Wigenhall</i> , late <i>John Wayne-</i> <i>man's</i> - - - - -	0	1	0	
A Tenement there, late <i>Thomas Gilbin's</i> - - -	0	0	8	
Lands and Tenements there, late <i>Thomas</i> <i>Elding's</i> - - - - -	0	1	4	
Lands there, late <i>William Shrosse's</i> - - -	0	5	0	
The like, late <i>Weestbroke's</i> - - - - -	0	0	6	
The like, late <i>John Hamond's</i> - - - - -	0	2	4	
The like, late <i>Robert Forcet's</i> - - - - -	0	0	8	
The like, late <i>John Price's</i> - - - - -	0	5	0	

The late College or Chapel in the Fields of  
*Norwich*:

The Rectory of <i>Felldalling</i> - - -	0	19	8	
The Rectory of <i>Eston</i> - - - - -	0	4	8	
The Manor and Rectory of <i>Bowthorpe</i> - - -	0	19	2½	
The Manor of <i>Eston</i> - - - - -	0	16	0	
The Manor of <i>Baborrough</i> - - - - -	0	5	3	
Lands belonging to the late Friars of <i>Black-</i> <i>ney Priory</i> - - - - -	0	3	4½	
Lands of the late Friars of <i>Burnham</i> - - -	0	3	8	
Of the late <i>Carmelite</i> Friars in <i>Norwich</i> - - -	0	4	0	
Of the late Preaching Friars there - - -	0	9	0	
Of the late Preaching Friars in <i>Yarmouth</i> - - -	0	1	8	
Of the lesser Friars of <i>Yarmouth</i> - - -	0	1	6½	
Of the Preaching Friars in <i>Thetford</i> - - -	0	0	5½	
Of the <i>Augustine</i> Friars in <i>Thetford</i> - - -	0	1	10½	
The Hospital of <i>St. Giles</i> near <i>Norwich</i> - - -	9	0	0	Part of the Queen Dowager's Jointure.
The Manor of <i>Southery</i> near <i>St. Edmunds-</i> <i>bury</i> - - - - -	1	4	8	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 <sup>o</sup> Julii 1673.
A Tenement and Land in <i>North Lynne</i> - - -	1	6	9	
The Manor of <i>Aglesham</i> - - - - -	2	15	8½	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet, ut antea</i> .
The Manor of <i>Titteshall</i> - - - - -	4	6	5½	
The Manor of <i>Abbotts-Thorpe</i> - - - - -	1	12	8	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 16 <sup>o</sup> Junii 1673.

The late College of *Mettingham*:

The Manor of <i>Linge</i> - - - - -	4	16	10	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 <sup>o</sup> Julii 1673.
The Manor of <i>Bunwell</i> and <i>Howhall</i> - - -	4	16	5½	Sold to <i>Joseph Horneby, et al'</i> , 29 <sup>o</sup> Aug. 72.

The late Monastery of *Waltham*:

The Rectory of <i>Gaysthorpe</i> - - -	0	7	4	
The Rectory of <i>Scarning</i> - - - - -	0	4	2	
Lands in <i>Gaisthwaite</i> - - - - -	0	2	0	

The late Monastery of *Ramsey*:

The Manor of <i>Brancaster</i> - - - - -	4	4	10½	
The Manor of <i>Ringstede</i> - - - - -	2	6	0	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 <sup>o</sup> July 1673.
The Manor of <i>Popenhoe</i> - - - - -	2	9	5	
The Cell of <i>Modney</i> - - - - -	0	4	4	
The Manor of <i>Wimbotsham</i> - - - - -	1	3	0	
The Manor of <i>Woodhaw</i> in <i>Helgay</i> - - -	1	14	8	Sold to the said Sir <i>John Bennet, ut supra</i> .

The late *Carthusians* House near *London*.

	£.	s.	d.	
The Manor of <i>Westfield</i> - - -	1	5	4	
Tenths of the late Preceptory of <i>Carbrooke</i> - - -	2	12	0½	Sold to Sir <i>Robert Clayton</i> , 20° Martii 1671.
The Site of the late College of <i>Thompson</i> ; } the Manors, of <i>Thompson</i> , <i>Breadcar</i> , et al' }	5	5	6½	Sold to <i>Geo. Hadley</i> Esquire, 2° Aug. 72.
Tenths of the Lands and Possessions of the } late College of <i>Castleacre</i> - - - }	44	19	0½	
The Manor of <i>Thorpe</i> - - -	5	2	1½	Sold to <i>Geo. Hadley ut supra</i> .
The Possessions of the late Monastery of } <i>Thetford</i> - - - - - }	59	5	1	Part of Queen Dowager's Jointure.
The Manor and Rectory of <i>Benhall</i> and } <i>Fordham</i> - - - - - }	4	15	7	Sold to Sir <i>John Duke</i> , 19 January 1671.
The Dean and Chapter for the Lands of } <i>Norwich</i> Cathedral - - - }	50	0	0	
The Manor of <i>Brettenham</i> - - -	1	11	5½	
The Manor of <i>Larlingforth</i> - - -	1	5	5½	

Lands late Sir *Richard Southwell's*.

The Manor of <i>Luton Gesse</i> - - -	0	12	0½	
The Manor of <i>Thornham</i> - - -	3	14	0	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 July 1673.
The Manor of <i>Thornedge</i> - - -	5	0	0	Sold to <i>John Garland</i> , 22 March 1676.
The Manor of <i>Sprockstone</i> - - -	0	19	8	
The Manor of <i>Blowfield</i> - - -	4	0	0	Sold to <i>Geo. Hadley</i> Esquire, 2 Aug. 1672.
The Manor of <i>Beighton</i> - - -	2	9	7	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , 30 July 1673.

Lands late *Charles Duke of Suffolk's*.

The Hundred of <i>Shropham</i> - - -	10	0	0	Part of Queen Dowager's Jointure.
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Lands late belonging to *Norwich Cathedral*.

The Manor of <i>Plumstede</i> - - -	2	0	0	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , <i>ut supra</i> .
The Manor of <i>Ormesby</i> , Parcel of <i>Rich-</i> } <i>mond</i> Lands - - - - - }	11	16	11	Part of Queen Dowager's Jointure.
Lands in <i>Wigenhall St. Mary's</i> , late be- } longing to <i>St. Stephen's College, West-</i> } <i>minster</i> - - - - - }	3	0	0	Sold to <i>Geo. Hadley</i> Esquire, 2° Aug. 1672.
A Rent for folding Sheep in <i>Kipton, West-</i> } <i>rounham</i> , and <i>Westdeereham</i> - - - }	0	4	0	- - - - - £. s. d. 0 4 0
The Manor of <i>Swaflham</i> - - -	60	10	4½	
Tenths reserved out of the Bishoprick of } <i>Norwich</i> - - - - - }	52	19	11½	

## Foreign Collections.

Rents and Farms of divers Lands and } Tenements in <i>Alford</i> - - - }	0	5	0	
<i>Swanington</i> - - - - -	0	0	8	
<i>Heveringland</i> - - - - -	0	5	9½	
<i>Taversham</i> - - - - -	1	0	0	
<i>Simerstone</i> - - - - -	0	0	6	
<i>Wicklewood</i> - - - - -	0	1	6	
<i>Attleburgh</i> - - - - -	0	1	0	
<i>Carleton</i> - - - - -	0	1	0	
<i>Long Stratton</i> - - - - -	0	2	0	
<i>Woodington</i> - - - - -	0	0	5½	
<i>Byleigh and Colney</i> - - - - -	0	5	9	
<i>Molbarton</i> - - - - -	0	2	0	
<i>Barnham Broome</i> - - - - -	0	1	0	
<i>Scroteshowe</i> - - - - -	0	7	6½	
<i>Stody</i> - - - - -	0	4	0	
<i>Edgefield</i> - - - - -	0	0	4	
<i>Thirning</i> - - - - -	0	8	0	
<i>Sparrham</i> - - - - -	0	2	6	
<i>Weston</i> - - - - -	0	6	6	
<i>Moreton</i> - - - - -	0	2	0	
<i>Runham</i> - - - - -	0	7	8½	
<i>Thirkby</i> - - - - -	0	1	7½	
And <i>Filby</i> , all Parcel of <i>Horsham</i> late } <i>Priory</i> - - - - - }	0	0	8	
Lands in <i>Runhall</i> , late <i>Thomas Bradbye's</i>	0	4	0	
The Manor of <i>Honerlingland</i> , late <i>Wm. Halfc's</i>	1	6	8	

*Bury* late Monastery.

Lands in <i>Ilkington</i> - - - - -	0	1	0	Sold to <i>Thomas Taylor</i> , 27 Sept. 1672.
Lands and Tenements in <i>Ferne</i> and <i>Disse</i>	0	2	6	
The like in <i>Rudham</i> - - - - -	1	0	0	
Lands in <i>Shropham</i> late <i>John Gate's</i>	0	4	8	

## Chatteras late Priory.

	£.	s.	d.
A Tenement in <i>St. Margaret's Lynn</i> , } sold per Mayor and Chamber - - }	0	13	4

## Marmond late Priory.

Five Acres of Land in <i>Walsoken</i> in <i>Marsh-</i> <i>land</i> - - - - - }	0	4	8
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*St. Bartholomew's* Priory near *London*.

A Tenement and Lands in <i>Yarmouth</i> -	0	13	4
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*St. John Colchester* late Monastery.

The Manor of <i>Poswicke</i> - - -	2	0	0	Sold to <i>Geo. Hadley</i> Esquire, 2 <sup>o</sup> Augusti 1672.
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Lands, late the Earl of *Rutland's*.

Four Acres of Arable Land in <i>Upwell</i> , late } <i>John Sethwick's</i> - - - - }	0	0	8½
The like, late <i>John Ashton's</i> - -	0	2	4
Four Acres and a half there, late <i>Peter</i> } <i>Southwell's</i> - - - - }	0	2	7½
A House there, late <i>William Norton's</i> -	0	1	0
Lands there, late <i>Crofts</i> - -	0	6	8
<i>Edward Bellor's</i> - -	0	11	6
<i>Peter Bateman's</i> - -	0	0	1
<i>John Welch's</i> - -	0	1	9
And <i>Thomas Frenche's</i> - -	0	2	6
Lands and Tenements in <i>Upwell</i> - -	0	6	2½

The Cannons in *Thetford*.

Rents of Assize there - - -	0	11	4
Six Acres and ¼ of Land in <i>Wormgay</i> -	0	1	4
Half an Acre of Land, sold per the Mas- } ter of <i>Bridewell</i> - - - }	0	0	1
An Acre there, late <i>John Hamlin's</i> -	0	0	2
The like in <i>Kenninghall</i> , late the said <i>John's</i>	0	0	1
An Acre and Half in <i>Harlings</i> , late <i>Cotton's</i>	0	0	3
A Messuage and half a Rod in <i>Westhar-</i> } <i>ling</i> , late the said <i>John's</i> - - }	0	0	1
Three Acres and a half Rod there, late } <i>Thomas Jeffrie's</i> - - - }	0	0	6½
Two Acres there, late <i>Henry Chancellor's</i>	0	0	4
An Acre in Two Pieces there, late <i>John</i> } <i>Hamlynn's</i> - - - - }	0	0	1

The Monks late Monastery in *Thetford*.

The House and Site of the said late Monastery - - - - }	0	6	8	
Five Acres of Land in <i>St. Trinities</i> in the said Town - - - - }	0	1	1½	
A Messuage and Lands in the Town and Fields of <i>Westtofts</i> in <i>Norfolk</i> , and <i>Ringham</i> in <i>Suffolk</i> ; and in the Town and Fields of <i>Moulton</i> - - - }	2	0	0	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennett</i> , 30 <sup>o</sup> July 1673.
Lands in <i>Felton</i> - - - -	0	5	11	
The like in <i>Worstead</i> - - - -	0	15	2	
Lands in <i>Hardingham</i> , Com' <i>Norfolk</i> - -	0	1	2	
Lands in <i>Feltwell</i> and <i>Methwold</i> - -	0	2	0	

The late College of *Stoke*.

The Manor of <i>Crimplesham</i> - -	0	13	4
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## Pensions and Portions.

The Rectories of <i>Taoerham</i>	-	-	0	6	8	
<i>Filby</i>	-	-	2	10	0	Sold to the said Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , <i>ut supra</i> .
<i>Newton Flotman</i>	-	-	0	13	4	
<i>Ling</i>	-	-	0	10	0	
<i>Savlingham</i>	-	-	0	10	0	
<i>Brandeston</i> , alias <i>Braneston</i>			0	6	8	
<i>Dickleburgh</i>	-	-	0	10	0	
<i>Dickleborough</i>	-	-	0	6	8	
<i>Bodney</i>	-	-	0	13	4	
<i>Colton</i>	-	-	1	6	8	
<i>Grimston</i>	-	-	2	0	0	Sold to Sir <i>John Bennet</i> , <i>ut supra</i> .
<i>Rockland</i>	-	-	1	0	0	
<i>Kirbybeadon</i>	-	-	1	0	0	
And <i>Rounton</i>	-	-	0	6	8	
A Pension out of the Manor of <i>Tilney</i>	-		0	13	4	
Out of the Rectories of <i>Grissin</i>			1	6	8	

And

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
And Two Pensions out of <i>Kilverston</i> Rectory	2	0	0				
The Rectory of <i>St. Albert</i> in <i>Burnham</i> -	0	13	4				
The Rectories of <i>Downham</i> -	0	4	0				
<i>Shelfander</i> -	0	2	0				
<i>Roydon</i> -	0	3	4				
And <i>Barton All Saints</i> alias							
<i>Barton Bondish</i> -	5	0	0				
A Portion of Tythes in <i>Thetford</i> -	2	13	4				
Pensions and Portions in <i>Banham</i> -	2	0	0				
<i>Wilby</i> -	0	13	4				
<i>Swaffham</i> -	0	2	0				
<i>Tuddenham Falgate</i> -	0	4	0				
<i>Norwich Cathedral</i> -	1	6	8				
<i>Gunwell-lane</i> in <i>Cambridge</i> -	1	6	8				
<i>Barwick Rectory</i> -	0	13	4				
Chantry Lands.							
The Manor of <i>Redham</i> -	13	6	8				
Divers Lands in <i>Walpole</i> belonging to <i>St.</i>							
<i>Edmund's Chapel</i> -	6	12	8				
Divers other Lands there belonging to the							
same Chantry -	4	0	0				
Tythes of Grain and Hay belonging to <i>St.</i>							
<i>James's Chapel</i> in <i>Terrington</i> -	7	10	0				
Lands in <i>Upton</i> , late <i>Wm. Gyvingham's</i>	0	0	5				
Lands in <i>Maston</i> , late <i>Wm. Corbett's</i> Heirs	0	6	8				
Lands in <i>Wilton</i> -	0	1	8				
Lands in <i>Tasburgh</i> , late <i>John Lincoln's</i>	0	0	5				
A Tenement in <i>Morningthorp</i> , late <i>John</i>							
<i>Basey's</i> -	0	4	5				
A Tenement in <i>St. Bennet's</i> in <i>Norwich</i> ,							
sold per Churchwarden -	0	2	5				
A Tenement in <i>St. John Sepulchre's</i> , late							
<i>Robert Mayne's</i> -	0	1	0				
The Guild of <i>Lynne</i> , sold per Mayor and							
Burgesses -	13	16	0				
Three Acres of Land in <i>Edgfield</i> , Twen-							
ty-one Acres in the Hundred of <i>Holt</i> ,							
called <i>Lampland</i> -	0	2	3				
Half an Acre of Land in <i>Tibbenham</i> , late							
<i>Thomas Bannock's</i> -	0	0	4				
Lands in <i>St. Buttolf's</i> , late <i>Owen Hub-</i>							
<i>bard's</i> -	0	1	4				
Lands in <i>Sherford</i> , late <i>Thomas Bainebridge's</i>	0	0	4				
Lands, late of the Bishop of <i>Ely's</i> .							
A Mill in <i>Eastdeerham</i> -	4	0	0				
The late Monastery of <i>Walsingham</i> .							
The Fairs in <i>Burnham</i> -	1	6	8				
Lands, late the Duke of <i>Norfolk's</i> .							
The Site and Demesnes of the late Priory							
of <i>Coxford</i> , the Rectory of <i>Eastrud-</i>							
<i>ham</i> , and a Water-mill belonging to							
the said late Priory -	34	5	10				
The Rectory of <i>Westrudham</i> -	10	0	0				
The Manor of <i>Eastrudham</i> and <i>Houghton</i>	52	16	9½				
The late College of <i>Herringby</i> .							
The Manors of <i>Cattes</i> , <i>Fenners</i> , and <i>Spencer's</i>	2	7	5½				
The Manors of <i>Edingthorpe</i> and <i>Staleham</i>	1	13	10½				
The Hospital of <i>St. Lazarus</i> in the Com'							
<i>Leicester</i> .							
The Manor of <i>Windham</i> -	0	7	2				
Lands in <i>Burnham</i> , <i>Sutton Holkholm</i> , <i>Han-</i>							
<i>worth</i> , <i>Bishop's Lynne</i> ; the Manor of <i>Chosoll</i> ,							
and Lands in <i>Brymingham</i> and <i>Brynton</i>	0	16	11½				
Lands and Tenements in <i>Worstead</i> -	0	16	4½				
The Hospital of <i>St. John of Lynne</i> , and							
Lands in <i>Hardwick</i> , et al' -	1	5	10½				
The Manor of <i>Gaywood</i> -	58	13	3½				
Lands in <i>Tilbenham</i> and <i>Winfarthinge</i> -	0	11	0				
Concealed Lands.							
An Acre of Land in <i>Hallybreadland</i> , late							
<i>Wm. Hooe's</i> -	0	0	7½				



	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
An Acre and $\frac{1}{2}$ of Meadow abutting on } Tilney Dove - - - - - }	0	0	7 $\frac{1}{2}$				
Lands in Sampton, late Bancroft's - - -	0	1	0		0	1	0
The Manor of Stokesby, alias Stopplesly -	5	0	0	Sold to Geo. Hadley Esquire, 2 August 72.			
Lands in Melton, late Thomas Windham's	0	1	0		0	1	0
Easte deerham Park - - - - -	4	0	0	Sold to Geo. Hadley, ut supra.			
The Manor of Westdeerham, and 300 } Acres of Lands, and 200 Acres of } Meadow, and 1,000 Acres of Moor } and Heath, late Sir Thomas Walsing- }	20	0	0				
ham's - - - - - }							
The Manor of Norwold, late Sir Charles } Croft's - - - - - }	22	0	0	Part of Queen Dowager's Jointure.			
A Messuage in Yarmouth, late Titus Her- } rault's - - - - - }	0	6	8				
A Water-mill in Alderford - - - - -	0	0	2				
The late Monastery of Walsingham.							
The Manor of Burnham Overy - - - - -	16	19	11	Part of Queen Dowager's Jointure.			
Lands, late John Ingram's.							
A Messuage or Tenement, called Sturson's, } late James Gedny's - - - - - }	1	0	0				
Seven hundred and Twelve Acres of } Marsh-lands in Burnham Overy - }	5	0	0				
Divers Parcels of Land and Fen improved } out of the Wastes of Roxham and } Westdeerham, late Thomas Deerham's }	20	0	0	- - - - -	20	0	0

And in the County of *Huntington*:

The late Priory of Stonely.							
	£.	s.	d.				
The Site and Demesnes - - - - -	1	3	2				
Rents of Assize of the customary Te- } nants there - - - - - }	8	4	7 $\frac{1}{2}$				
A Messuage and Lands in Stonely Field	0	2	8				
A Messuage in Stonely, with Closes and } Thirteen Acres of Land in the Field - }	0	16	0				
A Cottage - - - - -	0	2	0				
A new Rent - - - - -	0	0	4				
Lands in Wormditch in Kimbolton Parish, } late John Merrill's - - - - - }	1	10	8				
The same John's - - - - -	0	0	1 $\frac{1}{2}$				
Thomas Sands' - - - - -	1	11	0				
Edmund Southton's - - - - -	0	19	0				
A Messuage and Twenty-six Acres in the } Town and Fields of Woolley - - }	0	12	0				
Rents of Assize in Tilbrooke - - - - -	0	19	2	- - - - -	7	6	9
A Messuage called Heighton, with Lands } there, and in Endfeild - - - }	2	0	0				
A new Rent - - - - -	0	0	2				
Rents and Farms in Catworth - - - - -	0	18	4				
The like in Newton in Kimbolton Parish	0	10	7				
Lands and Tenements in Netherstow and } Overstowe - - - - - }	3	19	8				
Customary Rents in Kimbolton - - - - -	2	10	3				
A Messuage there called the Antelope, et al'	1	6	8				
Part of Charles Wingfield's Park - - -	0	6	3				
Four Tenements in Kimbolton aforesaid, } late John Evered's - - - - - }	0	6	0				
Wm. Wilkin's - - - - -	0	4	0				
Richard Taylor's - - - - -	0	5	0				
Robert Cooper's - - - - -	0	6	0				
A new Rent - - - - -	0	3	10 $\frac{1}{2}$				
The late Priory of Huntington.							
The Site, with the Appurtenances - - -	1	19	9 $\frac{1}{2}$				
A Tenement in Castle-lane, with a Barn } to the Castle-dike - - - - - }	0	1	2				
A Tenement, called the Swan, in St. } Mary's Parish - - - - - }	1	0	0				
Lands in the said Parish, late Thomas Hall's	0	3	1 $\frac{1}{2}$				
A Tenement, late the said Thomas's - -	0	0	1				
A Tenement, late Richard Horewood's - -	0	0	7				
Lands, late Henry Ocker's - - - - -	0	3	4				
A Tenement, late John Draper's - - - -	0	0	8				
A Tenement							

	£.	s.	d.	
A Tenement in Bennet's Parish, late Richard Necell's, in Jermin-lane -	0	4	0	
A Tenement there, late Cath. London's	0	4	0	
The like, late Thomas Pope's	0	4	0	
The like, late Thomas Lodge's	0	4	0	
The like, late John Robinson's	0	4	0	
A Tenement in All Saints, late John Edwards	0	4	0	
Three Tenements, in St. John's, late Sir Richard Cromwell's	0	1	6	
A Croft in Badowmarsh, late Wm. Wallis's	0	0	4	
The like, late James Barrett's	0	1	0	
A Piece of Land near Rowland Holden's Tenement	0	0	6	
Half a Croft there, late the Rector of St. Bennett's	0	0	4	
A Tenement and Lands in Stewkley, late Henry Bristowe's	2	10	0	Sold to Joseph Horneby, et al, 29 August 72.
A Tenement in Stewkly, late Thomas Thodaye's	0	4	0	
The like, late Wm. Barnett's	0	1	0	
A Tenement at the Forge there, late Thomas Haroy's	0	4	0	
A Tenement and Lands in Connington, late Ph. Parris's	0	0	6	
Lands in Catworth, late the Abbot of Sawtriss	0	0	2	
A Tenement and Lands in Gilling	0	4	0	
Lands and Possessions in Stoughton Magna and Halliweston	0	12	8	
A Croft of Land in Sawtry, late Wm. Read's	0	0	6	
Lands and Tenements, late John Pollard's, in Drayton	0	13	4	
The Manor of Hinchinbrook	0	0	6	
Three Tenements and Lands in Craxton	0	7	10½	
The Site and Manor of Papworth	0	12	2½	
A Lake in Benwick, called the Wearmouth, and a Marsh called Wedding	0	5	0	
Divers Pensions out of the Rectories of Offord Dacy	2	10	0	Sold to Sir Tho. Player, et al, 8 May 74.
Ellington	1	10	0	
All Saints in Huntington	0	10	0	
St. John Baptist in Huntingt.	0	6	8	
St. Bennet in Huntington	0	13	4	
The Hospital in Huntington	1	0	0	
A Water-mill in Herfo. late Richard Keys's	1	11	4	
The Manor of Giddinge, late Edward Watson's	3	12	4½	Sold to Sir Tho. Sclater, 10 <sup>o</sup> Januarii 71.
Lands in Luddington, late the Lord Mountague's	0	10	4	
The late Priory of Hinchinbrooke.				
A Tenth out of the Lands and Possessions there	2	0	0	Sold to Sir Thomas Player, et al, ut supra.
The late Priory of Sawtre.				
The Possessions of the said Priory	14	12	8	Sold to Sir Tho. Player, ut supra.
The late Priory of Royston.				
The Mannor of Chesterton	0	12	8	
The late Priory of Harwold.				
Lands in Yelling	0	4	11½	£. s. d. 0 4 11½
The Site of the late Augustine Friars House in Huntington	0	4	0	
The late Monastery of Ramsey.				
The Manor of Upwood	4	4	6½	} Sold to the said Sir Tho. Player, ut antea.
The Manor of Ravely and Great Moigues	2	6	8	
A Close in Great Ravely	1	0	0	
The Manors of Wemington, K's Ripton, and Easthorpe	5	13	11	Sold to Sir Tho. Sclater, 10 Januarii 72.
The Manor of Ellington	3	8	10½	Sold to George Gooday, 20 Sept. 78.
The Site of the late Priory of St. Ivoon, and the Manors Wyken and Woodhurst	1	17	0	

	£.	s.	d.
The Manor of <i>Sleep</i> - - - -	0	6	8
The Manor of <i>Walton</i> - - - -	0	10	8

The late Monastery of *St. Neoti's*.

The Site and Demesnes there - - -	2	1	8	Sold to Sir <i>Tho. Player, et al</i> , 8 May 74.
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To the late Monastery at *Thorney*.

The Manor of <i>Woodeston</i> - - -	3	6	8½	Sold to the said Sir <i>Tho. Player, et al</i> , <i>ut supra</i> .
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The *Carthusians* House near *London*.

The Rectory of <i>Stockton</i> , alias <i>Stoughton</i> -	1	18	0
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The late Monastery of *Crowland*.

The Manor of <i>Morebarne</i> - - -	1	15	0
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The late Monastery of *Templebluer*.

The Manor of <i>Ogerstone</i> - - -	0	5	6½
Lands in <i>Walmford</i> and <i>Chesterton</i> -	0	1	2½
Lands in <i>Fulkesworth</i> - - -	0	3	7
The Manor of <i>Sibbeston</i> , and Lands in } <i>Thirning, et al</i> - - - - }	0	7	10½

The late Priory of *Chicksand*.

A Close, called <i>Chicksand Close</i> , in <i>Mels-</i> } <i>worth</i> Parish - - - - }	0	1	4
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Lands, late *Richard Williams*, alias *Cromwell's*.

The Manor of <i>Hemingford Gray, et al</i> -	Nil.
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Lands, late the Bishop of *Elye's*.

The Manor of <i>Spaldwick</i> - - -	54	7	4
A Mill there - - - -	0	13	4

Lands, late *Thomas Lord Seymour's*.

The Manor of <i>Hemingford Abbots</i> - -	Nil.
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Lands, late Queen *Catharine's*.

The Manor of <i>Ayleton</i> - - - -	44	11	11
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Lands assigned to Queen *Elizabeth* before  
her Access to the Crown.

A Marsh called <i>Hallwell Fenn</i>	-	-	6	8	5	Sold to Sir <i>Thomas Sclater</i> , 10 Jan. 71.
<i>St. Ives Street</i> with <i>Sleep</i> and <i>Bustlers</i>	-	95	0	3½		
The Manor of <i>Houghton</i> and <i>Witton</i>	-		Nil.			

Lands, late assigned to the Prince of *Wales*.

The Manor of <i>Halliwell, cum Weedingworth</i>	66	8	8
The Manor of <i>Yarley</i> - - - -	80	9	10

Foreign Lands.

*Ramsey*, late Monastery.

Lands and Tenements in <i>Offord Darcy</i> -	1	0	0
A Pound of Frankincense, late <i>Laurence</i> } <i>Taylor's</i> - - - - }	Liberat. Aud.		

*Chatteras*, late Monastery.

An Acre of Land in <i>Colney</i> , late <i>Wm.</i> } <i>Mathews</i> - - - - }	0	1	0
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*Bushmead*, late Monastery.

A Tenement in <i>Stilton</i> , late <i>John Castle's</i>	0	1	0
Another Tenement there, late the said <i>John's</i>	0	4	0
A Piece of Land there, late <i>John</i> } <i>Manning's</i> - - - - }	0	3	2
Lands there, late <i>John Redhead's</i> -	0	7	6
Lands, late <i>Laurence Worne's</i> -	0	0	4
Lands in <i>Parton</i> , late <i>Richard Carrier's</i>	1	0	8

*Croxtan*, late Monastery.

Divers Lands and Tenements in <i>Hunting-</i> } <i>ton</i> , late <i>Antony Dixon's</i> - }	0	9	0
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Pensions and Portions.

The Rectory of <i>Morbarne</i> - - -	1	6	8
The Rectory of <i>Yeling</i> - - -	4	0	0
The Rectories of <i>Glatton</i> - - -	4	13	4
of <i>Battle-Bridge</i> - - -	2	0	0
of <i>Hamerton</i> - - -	5	6	8
of <i>Ailton</i> - - -	3	6	8

Sold to Sir *Thomas Player, et al*, 8 May 74.

Parcel

Parcel of the late Queen *Anne's* Jointure, and  
before that Parcel of the Possessions of  
the late Monastery at *Ramsey*. £. s. d.  
The Manors and Lordships of *Ramsey* - 29 0 0  
The Manor of *Wardboys* - - - 0 16 0

## Chantry Lands.

An Acre of Meadow in *Portholm*, late }  
*Edward Green's* - - - - } 0 2 0  
A Tenant there, late *John Luddington's* - 0 7 3  
Half an Acre of Land, late *John Bar-* }  
*ber's* - - - - - } 0 1 4  
Three Acres of Land, late *John Hen-* }  
*son's* - - - - - } 0 1 0  
An Acre of Land there, late *Wm. Hawkin's* 0 2 0  
The like in *Eyston*, late *John Thurston's* - 0 0 3  
Lands in *Barham*, late *John Orimbould's* - 0 3 0  
The like, late *Margaret Jenkinson's* - - 0 2 0  
A Messuage in *Everton*, late *Phil. Cram-* }  
*well's* - - - - - } 0 0 8  
One Rood and One Acre and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Land }  
in *King's Ripton*, late *Reynold Green's* } 0 3 4  
Ten Acres of Land there, late *Robert* }  
*Walter's* - - - - - } 0 4 0  
Three Acres of Land in *Fletton*, sold per }  
Churchwardens - - - - - } 0 2 0  
Lands in *Stewkly*, late *Thomas Auton's* - 0 3 4  
Three Acres of Meadow in *Brampton*, sold }  
per Churchwardens of *St. Bennet's,* } 0 10 0  
*Huntington* - - - - - }  
Lands in *Great Gransden*, late *Rich. Pidley's* 0 0 4  
The like, late the Churchwardens of *All-* }  
*Saints, Hunt.* - - - - - } 0 10 0  
Two Acres of Meadow in *Portholme,* }  
sold per Churchwardens of *St. Mary's,* } 0 8 0  
*Hunt.* - - - - - }  
Three Acres in *Cotne* Fields, called the }  
Town-lands - - - - - } 0 1 0

Lands, late the Duke of *Bucks.*

Lands in *Stilton*, late *Edward Mountagne's* 0 1 4  
The Like, late *Richard Worme's* - - 0 2 8  
Common Fines in *Graffham* - - - 0 4 0  
*Winwick* - - - - - 0 1 10  
And *Stilton* - - - - - 0 2 2

## Concealed Lands.

Lands belonging lately to *St. Neat's Mo-* }  
*nastery* - - - - - } 0 13 4  
Lands in *Hemingford Abbots* - - - 0 10 7  
A Cottage and Rood of Land in *Okthurst* - 0 0 4

Lands, late the Earl of *Somerset's*.

Divers Lands in *Ellington, Aukbury,* }  
*Weston, Wolly, Great and Little Steakh-* } 80 0 0  
*by, and the Park and Forest of Wey-* }  
*bridge* - - - - - }

Lands, late the Earl of *Essex's*.

The Capital Messuage and Site of the Ma- }  
nor of *Keiston* - - - - - } 150 0 0  
Five-and-twenty Messuages and 27 Rood }  
of Land Arable and Pasture at *Keiston* } 200 0 0

Ordered, That the said Memorial do lie upon the  
Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

Gardiner's  
Estate.

Mr. *Hayes* reported from the Committee, to whom the  
ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting  
the real Estate of *Joseph Gardiner* and *Sarah* his Wife,  
late the Estate of *Wm. Ridges* Esquire deceased, in  
Trustees, to be sold for Payment of the Debts and Lega-  
cies therein mentioned; and applying the Residue of the  
Money upon Trusts therein specified; was committed;  
That they had examined the same, and found the Alle-  
gations therein contained to be true; and that the Parties  
concerned had given their Consents thereunto, to the  
Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee  
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had directed him to report the Bill to the House, with-  
out any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at  
the Clerk's Table.

A Bill for vesting certain Lands and Tenements, late  
of Sir *Josiah Child* Baronet, deceased, in Trustees, for  
the better Performance of certain Covenants entered into  
by the said Sir *Josiah Child*, upon the Marriage of his  
eldest Son with the Daughter of Sir *Thomas Cook* Knight,  
was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Tho.*  
*Willoughby*, Sir *Robert Eton*, Sir *Tho. Cook*, Sir *Wm.*  
*Phippard*, Mr. *Osbourn*, Mr. *Bullock*, Mr. *Rayner*, Sir  
*Rob. Davers*, Sir *Tho. Grosvenor*, Mr. *Roberts*, Sir  
*Arthur*

Arthur Owen, Sir Willoughby Hickman, Mr. Conyers, Mr. England, Mr. Eyre, Mr. Poltney, Mr. Clark, Mr. Palmes, Mr. Dore, Mr. Philips, Mr. Carter, Mr. Lowther, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Blofeld, Mr. Conyers, Sir Rob. Cotton, and all that serve for the Counties of *Essex*, *Hertford*, *Nottingham*, *Middlesex*, and City of *London*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Holman's  
Indentures.

The Lord *Chenie* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to supply the Loss of certain Indentures of Lease and Release heretofore made by *Philip Holman* Esquire, since deceased, to *George Holman* his Son, now also deceased, was committed, That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents thereunto, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the Bill to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Viller's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling the Estate of *Catherine Fitzgerald Villers*, and Raising of Money for paying of Debts, and better securing the Portions of her Five younger Children, by *Edward Fitzgerald Villers* Esquire, her late Husband, was read a First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Coal  
Measure.

Sir *Edward Hussey*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for ascertaining the Measure of Sea-coal, according to the Measures used in *London*: And the same was received; and ordered to be read To-morrow Morning.

Thames  
Watermen.

Mr. *Shallet*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Explanation, and better Execution, of former Acts made touching Watermen and Wherry-men rowing on the River of *Thames*; and for providing one Order and Government amongst them, and also amongst the Lightermen, upon the said River, between *Gravesend* and *Windsor*: And the same was received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Signing  
Association.

A Bill to prevent Disputes that may arise by Members of Corporations having neglected to sign the Association in due time, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Price*, Sir *Rich. Cock*, Mr. *Pinnell*, Sir *Rob. Davers*, Mr. *Probert*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Rob. Edon*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Lord *Down*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *John Wynn*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Philips*, Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Monstevens*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Willou. Hickman*, Mr. *Eyres*, Sir *Tho. Willoughby*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Lark  
Navigation.

An ingrossed Bill for making the River *Lark*, alias *Burne*, navigable, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act \* \* \* \*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hervey* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Exe  
Navigation.

Ordered, That all the Members that serve for the Counties of *Dorset* and *Somerset* be added to the Committee, to whom the Consideration of the Petition of the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Commonalty, of the City of *Ereter*, and other principal Inhabitants of the said City, is referred.

Barlow's  
Estate.

Sir *Godfrey Copley* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming the Sale of the Manor of *Stanshall*, and certain Tenements, in the County of *York*, made

by *Thomas Barlow* Gentleman; and for settling other Lands, of greater Value, to the same Uses; and for vesting other Lands and Hereditaments in Trustees, to be sold, for purchasing other Lands, to be settled to the same Uses, was committed; That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Mr. *Gwyn* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect the Commissions of the Peace, and Commissions of Deputy Lieutenants, as they now stand, and as they were for Seven Years last past, That they had inspected the same accordingly; and had directed him to lay before the House the Lists of the Names of the Justices of the Peace for each County, in Two Columns; one of such as were left out, and the other of such as were put in; together with the Warrants themselves; and also such Papers as had been brought to the Committee, concerning the Deputy Lieutenants: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Commis-  
sions of the  
Peace.

Ordered, That the said Report do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House; and be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Papers relating to Half-pay were referred, be made To-morrow Morning.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the House do, according to Order, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging unto the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Public; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions;

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Brotherton*,  
Mr. *Rowney*: } 142.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Tredenham*,  
Sir *Thomas Davall*: } 105.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House accordingly.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matters to them referred: and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bills.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Ways and  
Means.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the further suppressing the Growth of Popery, and strengthening the Protestant Religion.

Growth of  
Popery.

Ordered, That the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army and Transport Service, be read a Second time to-morrow Morning.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

Ordered,



Suppressing  
Piracy.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the more effectual Suppression of Piracy was committed, be discharged of the same; and that the same be committed to a particular Committee:

And it is referred to Mr. Gwyn, Mr. Thursby, Sir Christopher Musgrave, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Clerk, Mr. Pagit, Sir Barth. Showers, Mr. Morris, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Harley, Mr. Freke, Mr. Monstevens, Mr. Jolliffe, Mr. Molyneux, Mr. St. John, Mr. Scobell, Mr. Duke, Sir Walter Young, Sir Wm. St. Quintin, Mr. Blathwaite, Sir Robert Davers; and all the Long Robe; and all the Merchants of the House; and all that serve for Sea Ports: And they are to meet at Four a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Union with  
Scotland—  
Recommend-  
ation from  
Lords.

*Ordered*, That the Committee to whom it is referred to inspect Precedents, whether there have been heretofore such Messages of Recommendations of Bills as came from the Lords with the Bill, intituled, An Act for authorizing certain Commissioners of the Realm of England to treat with Commissioners of Scotland, for the Weal of both Kingdoms, have Leave to sit To-morrow Morning.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Martis, 5° die Martii;

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Harrison's  
Estate.

A BILL for selling the Reversion of the Farm of Nethercott, in the County of Oxon, for Payment of the Debts and Legacies of George Harrison Esquire, deceased, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Wallop's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Trustees to make Sale of the Inheritance of the Twelfth Part of several Manors, Lands, and Tenements, of Bluet Wallop Esquire, during his Minority; and to purchase other Lands with the Money to be raised by such Sale, to be settled to the same Uses as the Twelfth Part was so settled; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Colonel Webb, Mr. Banks, Mr. Shackerly, Mr. Hayes, Sir Tho. Grosvenor, Sir John Manwareing, Mr. Dalby, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Stonehouse, Sir Rich. Middleton, Sir Robert Davers, Sir Rich. Cocks, Admiral Hobson, Mr. Bridgman, Mr. Hamond, Mr. Hobson, Sir Edmund Bacon, Mr. Monstevens, Sir Hen. Parker, Mr. Tredenham, Mr. Wilkins, Sir Rob. Cotton, Sir Arthur Owen, Mr. Blofeild, Mr. Yates, Sir Willoughby Hickman, Mr. Hughes; and all that serve for the Counties of Southampton, Wilts, and Somerset: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

London Poor.

Sir Rowland Gwynne, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better Employing and Relieving the Poor of the City of London: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the River Dee navigable was committed: And the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the Bill, were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some Amendments made by the House, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That it shall not extend to prejudice any Rights, Liberties, or Privileges, of Sir Wm. Glynn Baronet, or any the Lords, Owners, or Proprietors, of the Lands, Grounds, or Marshes, lying on the South Side of the main Channel of the said River, or his or their Fishery in the same:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be made Part of the Bill, That all Coal, Lime, and Lime-stone, brought to the City of Chester for Sale by Land-carriage, shall be brought to such Place as the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council, shall appoint for the easier Collection and Payment of the Duties payable for the same:

And the same was twice read with Blanks: And the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That, in case the Chanel of the said River shall become so deep, as that at Low Water, when the Tide of Sea is out of, and no Flood of fresh Water in, the said River, the same shall not be fordable, between Blacon Point and Burtenhead, for the Mayor and Citizens to erect and employ Two sufficient and free Ferry-boats, for the publick Use of his Majesty's Subjects, to pass and repass, without paying any thing for the same:

And the said Clause was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Sergison, according to Order, presented to the House an Abstract of the Defalcations for Slop Cloaths, dead Men's Cloaths, Tobacco, Chest at Chatham, Chaplains Groats, and Surgeons Two-pences, collected from such Ships and Yards Books, and such other Accounts thereof as remain in the Navy Office, from the 12th Day of July 1673, to the 12th Day of February 1688: And also,

An Abstract of the Defalcations for Slop Cloaths, dead Men's Cloaths, Tobacco, Chest at Chatham, Chaplains Groats and Surgeons Two-pences, collected from such Ships and Yards Books, and such other Accounts thereof as remain in the Navy Office, from the 13th Day of February 1688, to the 27th Day of March 1699.

And the Titles thereof were read.

And the said Abstracts are as follow; viz. \* \* \*

Defalcations  
for Seamen's  
Slop Cloaths,  
&c.

Navy Office, 4<sup>o</sup> March 1699.

AN ABSTRACT of the DEFALCATIONS for Slop Cloaths, dead Men's Cloaths, Tobacco, Chest at Chatham, Chaplains Groats, Surgeons Two-pences; collected from such Ships and Yards Books, and such other Accounts thereof, as remain in this Office, from the 13th of February 1688, to the 27th of March 1699 :--Prepared in pursuance of a Vote of the Honourable House of Commons, of the 9th of February past.

Between what Time.				Ending.		Slop Cloaths.		Dead Men's Cloaths.		Tobacco.		Chest at Chatham.		Chaplains Groats.		Surgeons Two-pences.								
Beginning.						£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.							
13th February	-	-	1688.	31. March	-	-	1,076	18	6	310	7	3	1,334	2	7	1,932	14	5	1,238	11	7	733	11	7
1 April	-	-	1690.	31 December	-	-	3,250	17	1	595	15	5	2,198	2	5	6,452	17	6½	4,179	2	3	2,223	15	11½
1 January	-	-	1690.	Ditto	-	-	6,709	8	10	1,451	14	1	3,926	14	11	8,966	10	4½	5,706	0	11	3,051	1	1½
Ditto	-	-	1691.	Ditto	-	-	7,645	6	11	1,519	10	3	4,177	19	3	8,834	0	7½	5,514	4	1	2,947	14	11½
Ditto	-	-	1692.	Ditto	-	-	12,863	11	2	1,331	10	10	5,335	10	9	18,210	18	11	7,798	19	0	4,176	3	9
Ditto	-	-	1693.	Ditto	-	-	16,452	13	8	1,543	3	1	8,271	9	6	17,319	16	11	8,586	1	2	4,469	13	8
Ditto	-	-	1694.	Ditto	-	-	15,837	2	5	2,276	14	10	11,704	8	6	16,179	2	11½	8,080	15	7	4,418	11	2½
Ditto	-	-	1695.	Ditto	-	-	11,624	8	8	2,152	7	9	6,244	15	9	8,183	1	4½	4,853	19	7	2,623	1	6½
Ditto	-	-	1696.	Ditto	-	-	16,929	12	6	1,036	15	10	9,560	1	10	11,407	7	9	6,997	12	4	3,626	11	10
Ditto	-	-	1697.	Ditto	-	-	23,995	18	1	3,171	10	4	11,063	18	10	14,853	13	6½	8,740	19	9	4,702	12	7½
Ditto	-	-	1698.	[* 27 March]	-	-	3,357	5	0	795	6	10	2,280	8	2	3,673	7	4½	1,840	4	3	920	2	1½
							119,743	2	10	16,184	16	6	66,097	12	6	116,013	11	9½	63,536	10	6	33,893	0	4½

Note. That this Account contains the Defalcations made up on the Books of Ships and Yards, paid before the Vote of the Honourable House of Commons of the 27th March 1699.

John Hill, J. Sothorne, Cha. Sergison,  
Tho. Willshaw, B. Tynnell.

\* This is supplied from the Account : It is " Ditto " in the Journal.

Ordered.

*Ordered*, That the said Abstracts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Committee of Privileges — Time appointed for hearing a Petition.

The House being acquainted, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections have appointed the Hearing the Matter upon the Petition of *Thomas Neal* Esquire, at a great Distance; viz. the 10th of April next.

*Ordered*, The Matter upon the said Petition be heard by the Committee of Privileges and Elections upon *Friday* Sevensnight.

Union with Scotland — Recommendations from Lords.

Sir *Christopher Musgrave* reported from the Committee appointed to inspect Precedents, whether there have been heretofore such Messages of Recommendations of Bills, as came from the Lords with the Bill, intituled, An Act for authorizing certain Commissioners of the Realm of *England* to treat with Commissioners of *Scotland*, for the Weal of both Kingdoms, That they had inspected the Precedents accordingly; as the same appear, as well by the Journals of this House, as by the Journals of the House of Lords; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

In the Journal of this House:

*Sabbati*, 13 March 1623.

Mr. *Glanvill* sent to the Lords with the Bill of Monopolies, and a special Recommendation from the House.

In the Journals of the House of Lords, as followeth:

31 May 1621. A Message to the Commons, with a Bill touching the Adjournment of the Parliament; with special Commendations thereof; and desire of all possible Haste to expedite the same.

13 March 1623. A Message to the Commons, with a Bill, concerning the Castle of *Killingworth*, with a special Recommendation thereof; for that it concerned the Prince.

*Eodem die*, A Bill was brought from the Commons to enable the Prince to make Leases, &c. with this Message; That they have sent this Bill alone, for that it concerns the Prince's Highness.

*Eodem die*, A Bill from the Commons concerning Monopolies, with this Message; That the Commons desire their Lordships to take this Bill into their serious Consideration, as an Act of great Importance.

7 April 1624. A Message from the Commons, with Eight Bills, One of which, concerning Concealments, they specially recommend to their Lordships, as a Bill concerning the general Good and Quiet of the whole Kingdom.

Commissioners of Accounts.

A Bill for the Appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

Tythes of Hemp and Flax.

An ingrossed Bill for the better Ascertaining the Tythes of Hemp and Flax, was read the Third time; And several Amendments were severally proposed to be made to the Bill; viz.

P. 1. l. \*. To leave out, "all manner of," and insert, instead thereof, "every Person, or."

P. 1. l. \*, To leave out, "Four," and insert "Five;" being the Tythe Rent to be paid per Acre.

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the better ascertaining the Tythes of Hemp and Flax.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Mordant* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee ap-

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pointed to inquire what has been done upon the former Laws against the Exporting Wool, and for encouraging the Woollen Manufacture; and to whom the Petition of the Commissioners for the Preventing the Exportation of Wool is referred; be made upon *Saturday* Morning next.

A Bill to prevent the Sale, within this Kingdom, of Fish taken by Foreigners, in Foreign Vessels, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Phil. Butler*, Sir *Roland Gwynne*, Sir *Rob. Davers*, Sir *Tho. Wagstaffe*, Sir *Baz. Dixwell*, Sir *Rob. Cotton*, Sir *John Mordant*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Dorner*, Earl of *Dysert*, Sir *Cha. Wyndham*, Sir *Abstr. Danby*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Tho. Davall*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Palmes*, Sir *Christopher Hales*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Bridges*; and all that serve for the Sea Ports: And they are to meet this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber, at Four a Clock.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to prevent the Importation of foreign Fishing Nets.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more speedy and effectual Determining the Right to Offices in Corporations: And that Mr. *Mompesson* and Mr. *Harcourt* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Walter Young*, Sir *Wm. St. Quintin*, Mr. *Blathwaite*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more effectual Suppressing of Piracy is committed.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for appointing Assay-masters, for the Assaying of Plate, in the most considerable Cities and Towns within this Kingdom, is committed, have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. *Meredith* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable his Majesty's natural-born Subjects to inherit the Estate of their Ancestors, either lineal or collateral, notwithstanding their Fathers or Mothers were Aliens, without any Amendment.

Also the Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Isaac de la Garde*, *John Batero*, and others: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for authorizing certain Commissioners of the Realm of *England* to treat with Commissioners of *Scotland*, for the Weal of both Kingdoms, was, according to Order, read the First time:

And the Question being put, That the Bill be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of Sir *Nathanael Curson* Baronet, was referred, be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Call of the House be adjourned until this Day Sevensnight; and that such Members as shall not then attend, be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending on this House.

A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That no Member do go out of Town before this Day Sevensnight that the House is to be called over;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding "without Leave; to be asked between Twelve and One a Clock."

And

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That no Member do go out of Town before this Day Sevensnight, when the House is to be called over, without Leave; to be asked between Twelve and One a Clock.

Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Papers relating to Half-pay were referred, be made To-morrow at Eleven a Clock.

Thames Watermen.

A Bill for the Explanation, and better Execution, of former Acts made, touching Watermen and Wherry-men rowing on the River of *Thames*; and for providing One Order and Government amongst them, and also amongst the Lightermen upon the said River, between *Gravesend* and *Windsor*; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Coal Measure.

A Bill for ascertaining the Measure of Sea-coal, according to the Measures used in *London*, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Fraudulent Insurances.

Mr. *Harley*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to prevent Frauds in the Insurance of Ships and Merchandize: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Harbours.

Mr. *Offley*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to prevent any more Lands being inned from any Harbour, or any more Stops put to the Flowing and Reflowing of the Tide into any Harbour of this Kingdom: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Estates given to superstitious Uses.

A Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to the Use of *Greenwich* Hospital; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Friday* Morning next.

Signing Association.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rush. Cullen*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Burrard*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Dore*, Mr. *Greenfeild*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent Disputes that may arise by Members of Corporations having neglected to sign the Association in due time . . . .

Attornies.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for reducing the excessive Numbers of Attornies, and such as practise as Attornies, be read upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Mitchell Election.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, to whom it was referred to examine whether the Petition of *Anthony Row* Esquire, presented this Session, touching the Election for the Borough of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Cornwall*, be the same in Substance with the Petition presented the last Session, be made To-morrow Morning.

Committee of Privileges.

*Ordered*, That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching a Complaint of a Breach of Privilege, against *Christopher Lister* Esquire; and touching the Election for the Borough of *Brecon*; and touching the Matter of the Petition relating to Sir *Thomas Grosvenor*, and his Complaint of a Breach of Privilege against him; be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Howland's Estate.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the Petition of Dame *Mary Hudson*, Relict of Sir *Henry Hudson* Baronet, deceased, presented to the House the 19th Day of February last, be referred to the Committee, to whom

the Bill for taking the Estate in Law, of several Messuages and Lands, mortgaged to *Jeffry* and *Edward Howland*, and their Heirs, out of the Marquis and Marchioness of *Tavistock*, is committed: And that the Petitioner be heard by her Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii, 6° die Martii;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

*JOHN* Bourges, Lewis Quotten, Peter Combault, Peter Boning, John Wm. Lutkins, Claude Jamineau, Henry Vanson, John Daniel Trieber, Balth. Jungen, took the Oaths, in order to their Naturalization.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the Settling all Differences concerning Dame *Mary Bond's* Will; and for performing the same; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *England*, Mr. *Dryden*, and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to ascertain Water-measure of Fruit is committed.

The House proceeded further to take into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the River *Dee* navigable was committed: And some other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of the Master and Wardens of the Art and Mystery of the Company of Fruiterers, of the City of *London*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That if the Bill to ascertain Water measure of Fruit should pass into a Law, as it is now penned, . . . will be very prejudicial to the Petitioners Trade: And praying to be heard by their Counsel, what they have to offer in relation to the said Bill, before the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon:

And that Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Woollaston*, Serjeant *Thurland*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Wyn*, Mr. *Cholmley*, and all the Members that serve for the City of *London*, be added to the said Committee.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendment, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for preventing frivolous and vexatious Suits, in the Principality of *Wales*, and the Counties Palatine: And the same was twice read; and is as followeth; viz.

At the End of the Bill, add Clause marked "A;" viz.  
"And whereas the Holding of Persons, inhabiting within the said Principality of *Wales*, to special Bail, in small Actions, is oppressive and vexatious to the Subject: For Remedy whereof, be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That no Sheriff, or other Officer, within the said Principality, upon any Writ or Process, issuing out of any of his Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, shall hold any Person to special Bail, unless an Affidavit be first made in Writing, and filed in that Court, out of which such Writ or Process is to issue, signifying the Cause of Action, and that the same is Twenty Pounds and upwards; and where Cause of Action is Twenty Pounds and upwards, Bail shall not be taken for more than the Sum expressed in such Affidavit."

And several Amendments were proposed to be made in the Clause; *viz.*

L. 2. After "*Wales*," to insert "and Counties Palatine:"

L. 5. After "*Principality*," to add "or Counties Palatine:"

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Then the Clause was read the Third time; and agreed unto by the House; with the said Amendments.

*Ordered*, That Sir Robert Edon do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendment with some Amendments, to which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill to enable Justices of Peace to repair the Gaols in their respective Counties was committed, be discharged of the same: And that the Bill be committed to a particular Committee:

And it is referred to Colonel Byerley, Mr. Brotherton, Sir John Mordant, Mr. Heysham, Sir Jacob Ashley, Mr. Yates, Mr. Gwyn, Mr. Mompesson, Lord Downe, Mr. Blaake, Mr. England, Sir Barth. Shower, Mr. Clarke, Sir Cha. Bloyse, Sir John Wynn, Sir Rich Cox, Sir Rich. Farrington, Sir Rich. Middleton, Sir Jos. Jekyl, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Lowther, Mr. Osbourne, Sir Robert Davers; and all Knights of Shires: And all that come are to have Voices: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And they are to have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. How, Mr. Ireton, Mr. Yates, Mr. Shackerly, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for supplying the Town and Port of Deal with fresh Water is committed.

Mr. Bertie reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of the Clothiers of Salisbury, relating to the Bill for preventing the Importation of foreign Bone-lace, was referred, That they had examined the Matter of the several Petitions to them referred, and came to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

Upon the Petition of the City of Sarum;

Mr. London, Clothier, said, That since April last, there hath been a great Decay in the Trade of the narrow Manufacture; and those that formerly kept 20 Looms at Work, do not keep Half so many now; great Quantities of Goods lying on their Hands unsold.

That the Reason of this Decay of Trade proceeds from the Prohibition of our Woollen Manufactures in Flanders.

Upon the Petition of the Clothiers of Leeds;

William Cookson, Clothworker of Leeds, said,

That before, and in the Time of, the War, he hath exported in one Year, to the Value of between Twenty and Thirty thousand Pounds Worth of broad coarse Cloth, Kersies, and Bays, particularly in the Years 1696, 1697, and 1698:

That he and his Father have followed the Trade Five-and-twenty Years, and have had a Fourth Part thereof to Flanders from that Place:

That, since the Prohibition there, he hath exported nothing at all; and the Reason of the Decay of their Trade to Flanders arises, as he believes, from the Prohibition of their Bone-lace, and the high Duties upon their Linen Manufactures:

That they use no Spanish Wool in making their Cloths:

That the Gentlemen they served lived in the Spanish Netherlands; and their Cloths are first sent to Rotterdam, and from thence to Flanders; but, in Time of War, they send their Cloths first to London, and from thence to Flanders:

That he hath no Correspondence in Holland; and is assured all his Goods went to Flanders.

William Piccard, Clothier of Leeds, said,

That before April last, they had an even Trade, but since have had none; and have a great many Goods lying on their Hands: That those Clothiers who formerly employed 100 Workers now cannot employ above Two or Three: And those that then worked for Ten-pence a Day, would work for Three-pence a Day, if they could have it.

John Dunderdale, Clothier, said,

That they can get no Return of their Money; and so are not able to employ the Poor, who used to work for them.

Being asked if they employ no Workers at all? he answered,

Deal Water-works.

A Petition of the Mayor, Jurats, and Inhabitants of the Town of Deal, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Mr. Wm. Warner, about a Year since, offered to the Inhabitants of the said Town, to erect a Waterwork for supplying them with good Water, and begun the same at a great Expence, and hath made a considerable Progress therein: And the Petitioners being informed, that one Mr. Rider hath presented a Bill to this House, to supplant the said Mr. Warner in such his Undertaking, which will be a great Detriment to the said Corporation: And praying, That they may be heard by their Counsel against the said Bill, before the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed; and that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

Debtors Petition.

A Petition of the poor Prisoners for Debt, in the Gaol of Rothwell, for the Honour of Pontefract, in the County of York, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there are between 50 and 60 of the Petitioners confined to the said Prison, who are reduced to great Misery, and in no-wise able to pay their Creditors, unless they might be permitted their Liberty, to do the same by their Industry: And praying for Redress, in such Methods as the House should think fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petitions of several other poor Prisoners are referred: And that the Committee do prepare, and bring in, a Bill or Bills for the Relief of poor Prisoners... Debt.

Army Arrears.

A Petition of the Gunners belonging to his Majesty's Garison of Upnor upon the River Medway, and the Forts adjacent, now under the Command of Colonel Rouse, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That their Pay has been in Arrear near Seven Years; by reason of which they are reduced to inexpressible Hardships, and denied all manner of Credit: And praying, they may be preserved from perishing in Gaols, and their poor Families from starving.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Avon and Froom Navigation.

An ingrossed Bill for the better preserving the Navigation of the Rivers Avon and Froom; and cleansing the Streets of the City of Bristol; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the better preserving the Navigation of the Rivers Avon and Froom; and for cleansing, paving, and enlightening the Streets of the City of Bristol.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Blaake do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

London Poor.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better employing and relieving the Poor of the City of London be read Tomorrow Morning.

Dover Harbour.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Saturday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the Repair of Dover Harbour.



Bone-lace  
and Woollen  
Manufacture.

answered, They do, out of Pity, employ some few at Three-pence and Four-pence a Day, to pick Wool.

Upon the Petition of the Town of *Hallifax*;

*William Southcliffe*, Clothier for 30 Years, said,

That, before April last, they lived handsomely one by another; but since, many Thousands are ready to starve: 'Tis true, he still keeps up his Work, and employs a Thousand poor People at Four-pence a Day, to whom he formerly gave Six-pence per Day; but is not able to hold it long, unless he hath a better Trade:

That he dealt with Men who sent the Goods to *Flanders*, and sells the same Cloth now for Two-and-forty Shillings, that he used to sell for Six-and-forty Shillings.

Upon the Petition of the Clothiers of *Ratchdale*;

*Gabriel Garthside*, Dealer in the Woollen Manufacture, said,

That, before the First Day of May, the Town of *Ratchdale* had a good Trade; but now have little; and have great Stocks lying on their Hands:

That he hath sold Cloth in *Amsterdam*, which, as he was informed, was sent into *Flanders*; and his Dealing was in several Sorts of Bays:

That the Town, about Two or Three Years ago, returned 1,500*l.* per Week; and now they do not return above 500*l.* per Week:

That he hath known Goods entered at *Hull*, and shipped off for *Flanders*:

That in the Town of *Ratchdale*, they formerly collected not above 7, or 800*l.* a Year for the Poor; but by reason of the Decay of Trade, and Increase of their Poor, they were forced the last Year to raise 1,069*l.*

Upon the Petition of *Salop*;

*Mr. Jeremiah Powell*, Dealer in the Woollen Manufacture, said,

That formerly there was laid down Fifteen Hundred Pounds a Week for carrying on the Trade there; and, since the Prohibition, the Trade is abated 75*l.* per Cent.:

That the Prohibition of the *Flanders* Lace is the Occasion of the Decay of their Trade:

That, when the Act was passing for the Prohibition of *Flanders* Lace, he was told by the Merchants he used to sell his Goods to, That they should buy no more Goods of him; for that the Act would cause a Prohibition in *Flanders*.

*Mr. Samuel Monk* spoke to the same Effect.

Upon the Petition of the Lacemen of *Buckinghamshire*;

*Mr. Edward Purcell*, Laceman, said,

That the Number of Workers is so great, that he cannot tell how many they are; but believes 3,000*l.* a Week is paid in ready Money, to the Bone-lace-makers in that County:

That formerly the Price at Five Shillings a Yard was reckoned extraordinary; but since the Act, they have some Lace of Six-and-thirty Shillings a Yard; and believes, shall be able to make as good as can be made; and produced Two Pieces of 26*s.* per Yard:

That the Improvement is both in Price and Quantity. That Children of Five Years of Age work upon Twopeny Lace.

*Mr. Edward Hooton*, Laceman, lives at *Newport*, and sells Lace, said,

That there are Thirty thousand Workers in *Buckinghamshire*; and that, before the Act, there was not Half so many; and their Trade is computed at between 3 and 4,000*l.* per Week:

That he buys at *Newport*, where there are 1,300 Workers, and sells in *London*:

That he keeps a Hundred Workers, and buys 40 or 50 Pounds worth of Lace in a Week:

That Lace is much dearer now than formerly; whereby the Poor is much encouraged; for that Lace, which sold formerly for 6*s.* a Yard, now sells for 10*s.* a Yard; and a Child of Six or Seven Years of Age may earn Twenty-pence a Week:

That there are Men at *Needs* return 20*l.* per Week; and that the Increase of Trade hath been since the Prohibition.

*Richard Gurney*, Laceman, at *Putnam* in *Hertfordshire*, said,

That he keeps 2 or 300 People at Work in *Buckinghamshire*, upon Bone-lace; but did not employ Half so many before the Prohibition.

*John Smith*, Laceman, said, That Sisters Thread pays 18*d.* a Pound Duty: And that twice the Quantity of Lace hath been shipped off since the Prohibition as was before:

That those Customers who used to write for Lace of 5*s.* a Yard, now write for Lace of 20*s.* a Yard:

That *Flanders* Lace used to pay no Duty in or out, but was always run:

That what he sends out himself, he sends to *Jamaica*.

*Thomas Robinson*, Laceman, said,

That in *Buckinghamshire* there are 200 Dealers in Lace, and about 150 of them come to *London* every Week; and, one with another, deal for Twenty Pounds a Week:

That, within these Three Years, they are increased about 50 in Number:

That there is more Lace made now, than formerly; and he takes more now in a Week, than in a Fortnight, within Three Years last past; but for the last Quarter of a Year the Trade hath a little fallen off:

That Men, Women, and Children, one with another, earn about Three Shillings a Week:

That a good Workwoman will earn Seven Shillings a Week.

*Mr. Clerk*, Dealer in Lace, said,

That there are One thousand and Eighty-one Persons employed in making of Lace in *Salisbury*; besides great Numbers in Places adjacent:

That he and his Partner send between Sixty and Eighty Pounds worth of Lace per Week, from *Salisbury*:

That, in the West of *England*, they now make Lace of 5*l.* or 6*l.* a Yard; where the best they made formerly was but 4*l.*: And he produced some Lace to the Committee, which was made in *Dorsetshire*, and cost above 3*l.* a Yard:

That 5*l.* Sterling, in Thread, makes a Hundred Pounds Worth of Lace; but generally, one Sort of Thread with another 15*l.* Sterling makes a Hundred Pounds Worth; and the finest Lace is made of Nuns Thread:

That, in the North of *England*, the Number of Workers are increased double what they were within these Two Years; and that there are, by Computation, at least 100,000 Men, Women, and Children, employed in the making of Lace within this Kingdom.

That, several Merchants appearing, the Committee thought fit to examine them: Who said as followeth; viz.

*Mr. Kent*, Merchant, said,

That the Prohibition of our Woollen Manufactures in *Flanders* commenced the First of May last; and the Occasion of such Prohibition arose from the late Act for the more effectual Prohibition of foreign Bone-lace, as he hath always heard from his Correspondents there:

That he and his Brother, before such Prohibition, have exported between Sixty and Seventy thousand Pounds worth per Annum, from the Port of *London*, and Port of *Hull*, of our Woollen Manufacture, and very little else, particularly in the Years 1697, and 1698; that is to say, Thirty thousand Pounds worth from *Hull*, and the rest from *London*:

That there was no Comparison between the Exports from *England*, and other Countries, to *Flanders*, though their Prohibition runs generally to all; for *England* exported Fifty Times as much as *Holland* and *France*; and believes they prohibited the *Hollanders*, by reason great Quantities of Goods went through that Country from *England* to *Flanders*:

That one *Mr. Ververt* was in *England* when the late Act for the more effectual prohibiting the Importation of Foreign Bone-lace was in Debate in the House of Commons; and said, If the Bill passed, when he went into *Flanders*, he would take care that our Woollen Manufacture should be prohibited there:

That he believes the People that were formerly employed in the Linen Manufactures there, are now employed in the Woollen Manufacture.

Mr.

Mr. *George Vergoe*, Mr. *Geo. Hiam*, Mr. *Wm. Kesterman*, Mr. *Curter*, and several other Merchants, spoke to the same effect as Mr. *Kent*.

Merchants, in behalf of the Bone-lace Makers, referred to the Reasons in *Placart*.

That as to the Value of the yearly Exportation of the Woollen Manufactures into *Flanders*, the Committee have had Accounts from the Custom-house for the Years 1686, and 1687; and likewise for the Year One thousand Six hundred and Ninety-seven, and 1698: And find them to be as followeth; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
The Woollen Manufactures exported } in the Year 1686, amounted to }	96,100	14	3
In the Year 1687, to - - -	72,942	15	10
In the Year 1697, to - - -	118,302	5	6½
In the Year 1698, to - - -	188,046	14	4

Several of the Petitions referred to the Committee, taking Notice of the high Duty upon Linen; the Committee thought fit to have an Account from the Custom-house, what the Value of the Linen, imported in the same Years, amounted to: And find it to be as followeth; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
In 1686, } Imported to London only, }	50,234	0	0
In 1687, }	47,909	0	0
In 1697, } In London, and the Out Ports, }	43,927	4	11½
In 1698, }	54,841	3	5

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That there hath been a great Decay of the Woollen Manufacture of *England*, since the First of May 1699.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That an Act, made in the Ninth and Tenth Years of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for rendering the Laws more effectual for preventing the Importation of Foreign Bone-lace, Loom-lace, Needle-work, Point, and Cut-work, hath been an Occasion of the said Decay of the Woollen Manufacture of *England*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, for the Encouragement of the Woollen Manufacture of this Kingdom, a Bill be brought in to repeal the said Act.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That there hath been a great Decay of the Woollen Manufacture of *England*, since the First of May 1699.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be adjourned;

It passed in the Negative.

Then the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That an Act, made in the Ninth and Tenth Years of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for rendering the Laws more effectual, for preventing the Importation of Foreign Bone-lace, Loom-lace, Needle-work, Point, and Cut-work, hath been an Occasion of the said Decay of the Woollen Manufactures of *England*;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Third Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, by adding "to commence Three Months after the Prohibition of the *English* Woollen Manufactures is taken off "in *Flanders*:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That, for the encouraging the Woollen Manufacture of this Kingdom, a Bill be brought in to repeal the said Act, to commence

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Three Months after the Prohibition of the *English* Woollen Manufactures is taken off in *Flanders*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Moor*, and Sir *William Scawen*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Wynne*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Phil. Boteler*, Mr. *Vincent*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Jervois*, Mr. *Tredenham*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *William Green*, Brewer, is referred.

Proceedings  
on Excise  
Laws.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations do lay before this House an Account of what Advances they have made towards the Improvement of the Trade of *England*.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. *Meredith* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Janson's  
Estate.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for Sale of the Estate of *Bryan Janson* Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts, and Provision for his Wife and Children: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Sir *Rowland Gwynne* reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Resolutions upon the several Petitions of *Antony Row* Esquire, touching the Election for the Borough of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Cornwall*; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*, That is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Petition of *Antony Row* Esquire, presented to the House of Commons this Session of Parliament, touching the Election for the Borough of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Cornwall*, is not the same in Substance with the Petition from the said *Antony Row*, presented to the House of Commons the last Session of Parliament, relating to the said Election.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Petition of *Antony Row* Esquire, presented to the House of Commons this Session of Parliament, touching the Election for the Borough of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Cornwall*, is not the same in Substance with the Petition from the said *Antony Row*, presented to the House of Commons the last Session of Parliament, relating to the said Election.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections be discharged from proceeding upon the said Mr. *Row's* Petition.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections be discharged from proceeding upon any Petitions relating to Elections, during this Session, after Friday next.

Committee  
of Privileges.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Friday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Ways and  
Means.

The Earl of *Dysert* reported from the Committee, to whom the Papers relating to Half-pay were referred, the Matter, as it appeared to the said Committee; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table.

Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be taken into Consideration upon To-morrow Sevensnight.

*Resolved*, That no Person, having any Employment Civil or Military, shall be intituled unto Half-pay.

*Resolved*, That no Person, who hath either sold his Commission,

Commission, or been broke for any Misdemeanour, shall be intituled unto Half-pay.

Supply Bill;  
Resumption  
of Grants.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to resume the Grants of all Lands, and other Revenues of the Crown, since the Sixth Day of February One thousand Six hundred Eighty-four; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick; be read a Second time upon *Tuesday Morning* next.

Fees of Of-  
ficers of the  
House.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect and settle the Fees to be taken by the Officers of the House, be made upon *Tuesday Morning* next.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

King's Bench  
Prison.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fitton Gerrard*, Mr. *Leighton*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *King's-Bench* Prison; and for Dissolution of the said Prison; is committed.

Howland's  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That Lord *Russell*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Crane*, Mr. *Ashly*, Mr. *Lewis*, Mr. *Vyner*, Mr. *Ashurst*, Mr. *Rayner*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for taking the Estate in Law, of several Messuages and Lands mortgaged to *Jeffrey* and *Edward Howland*, and their Heirs, out of the Marquis and Marchioness of *Tavistock*, is committed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Jovis, 7° die Martii;*

*12° Gulielmi Tertii.*

#### PRAYERS.

*WILLIAM Rotshouck, Gosminus Vanhoogstaaten, Christopher Greenwood, Rowland Rowlandson, Paul Hensch, Joshua Nogier, John Nogier, James Gaulter, Isaac Bardeau, John Smith, John Strachon, Stephen Buscarlet, John Lewis Loubier, and James Gobier*, took the Oaths appointed, in order to their Naturalization.

Committee  
of Privileges.

*Ordered*, That the Earl of *Dysert*, the Lord *Hyde*, Colonel *Granville*, Sir *John Leveson Gower*, Sir *Peter Coryton*, Sir *James Etheridge*, Sir *Bernard Granville*, Mr. *Cary*, Sir *William Glyn*, Mr. *Pinnell*, Mr. *Darell*, Mr. *Drew*, Sir *John Bolls*, Mr. *Præd*, Mr. *Vivian*, Sir *Hen. Scymour*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Major General *Trelawny*, be added to the Committee of Privileges and Elections.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of *Hannah Hassall*, of *Torparley*, in the County Palatine of *Chester*, Widow, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there remains due to her Son, *Thomas Hassall*, who died in their Majesties Service, as Quarter-master to Colonel *Theodore Russell's* Troop of Horse, 58*l.* 12*s.* And praying Relief for the same against the said Colonel *Russell*, who abides in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That the Petition do lie upon the Table.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Master Gunner and Gunners of his Majesty's Fort and Garrison of *Kingston upon Hull* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have almost Seven Years Pay due to them, and Subsistence from the Second of December last; and have not had any Cloathing for above Eight Years; whereby they are reduced to a miserable Condition, for want of Credit: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Petition do lie upon the Table.

D'Harcourt's,  
&c. Nat.

Mr. *Lawther* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the Naturalization of *Oliver d'Harcourt*, and others was

committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were twice read; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follows; viz.

Pr. 1. L. 21. After "*Germany*," insert, "*Christian Lilly*, Son of *Thomas Lilly*, by *Mary* his Wife, born at *Hamborough* in *Germany*; *Antony Fackenhoff*, Son of *William Fackenhoff*, by *Helena* his Wife, born at *Munich* in *Germany*; *William Mesuer*, Son of *John Conrade Mesuer*, by *Anne* his Wife, born in *Bern* in *Switzerland*; *James Dayrolle*, alias *Teisoniere*, Son of *Jer. Teisoniere*, by *Mary* his Wife, born at *St. Germain* in *France*; *Moses Amyrant*, Son of *Moses Amyrant*, by *Mary* his Wife, born at *Paris* in *France*; *Philip James de Lacombe de Virgny*, Son of *John de Lacombe*, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, born at *Paris* in *France*; *James* and *Francis Gibson*, both Infants under the Age of Sixteen Years, Sons of *John Gibson*, by *Mary* his Wife, born at the *Boosh* in *Holland*."

L. 35. After *Swinford*, insert, "*Christian Lilly*, *Antony Fackenhoff*, *William Messuer*, *James Dayrolle*, alias *Teisoniere*, *Moses Amyrant*, *Philip James de Lacombe*, *James* and *Francis Gibson*."

L. 48. The same Amendment.

Pr. 2. L. 23. The same Amendment.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent Disputes that may arise by Members of Corporations having neglected to sign the Association in due time is committed, That they have Power to receive a Clause for indemnifying such Members of Corporations, not being Justices of Peace, as neglected to take the Oaths, and subscribe the Declarations, in due time; but have qualified themselves upon other Occasions.

Corporation.  
Oaths of  
Office.

*Ordered*, That the Committee to whom the Bill for supplying the Town and Port of *Deale* with fresh Water is committed, have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Deale Water-  
works.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Robert Edon*, Sir *Abst. Danby*, Sir *Edward Hungerford*, Mr. *Archdale*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Monsteven*, Mr. *Philips*, Mr. *Freke*, Mr. *Osbourne*, Lord *Cornbury*, Colonel *Kirkby*, Sir *John Mordant*, and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petitions of several poor Prisoners for Debt are referred.

Insolvent  
Debtors.

Mr. *Brotherton* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery-lane* to *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, and Places adjacent, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Passage  
from Chan-  
cery-lane to  
Lincoln's-  
inn-fields.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, to enable the Undertakers to borrow at Interest, upon the Credit of this Act, Three thousand Pounds, at the Rate of Six Pounds per Cent. per Annum, for the better expediting and carrying on the said new Way:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks: And the Blanks were filled up by the House: And the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of the Prisoners for Debt and Damage, in the Sheriff's Ward for the County of *Dorset*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, being reduced

Debtors  
Petition.

reduced to the utmost Exigents of Poverty, are altogether . . . . . to render that Satisfaction to their Creditors they willingly would by their Industry, if unconfined: And praying the Commiseration of the House for their Relief and Liberty, as shall be thought meet.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom other Petitions of Prisoners are referred.

London  
Poor.

A Bill for the better employing and relieving the Poor of the City of *London* was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Tuesday Morning* next.

Bills relating  
to the Poor.

*Ordered and Declared*, That all Bills, relating to the Poor, be deemed and taken to be public Bills; and pass without paying Fees for the same.

Growth of  
Popery.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the further suppressing the Growth of Popery, and strengthening the Protestant Religion.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Sir *Rowland Gwynne* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Sir *Rowland Gwynne* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments to the same; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Saturday Morning* next, at Eleven a Clock.

Member  
makes his  
Election.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House with a Letter from *Wm. Johnson* Esquire, touching his Election, whether he will serve for the Borough of *Alborough*, or Borough of *Orford*, in the County of *Suffolk*.

*Ordered*, That the said Letter be laid before the House upon *Tuesday Morning* next.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Irish For-  
feitures.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the great Services performed by the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the forfeited Estates of *Ireland*.

And this House being satisfied of the Integrity and Diligence of *James Hooper* Esquire, Secretary to the said Commissioners;

*Resolved*, That the said Mr. *Hooper*'s Services be also considered by this House.

*Resolved*, That there be paid to the Earl of *Drogheda*, one of the said Commissioners, the Sum of One thousand Pounds, *English Money*, for the great Services by him performed.

*Resolved*, That there be paid to *Francis Amesly* Esquire, one other of the said Commissioners, the Sum of One thousand Pounds, *English Money*, for the great Services by him performed.

*Resolved*, That there be paid to *John Trenchard* Esquire, one other of the said Commissioners, the Sum of One thousand Pounds, *English Money*, for the great Services by him performed.

*Resolved*, That there be paid to *James Hamilton* Esquire, one other of the said Commissioners, the Sum of One thousand Pounds, *English Money*, for the great Services by him performed.

*Resolved*, That there be paid to *Henry Langford* Esquire, one other of the said Commissioners, the Sum of One thousand Pounds, *English Money*, for the great Services by him performed.

*Resolved*, That there be paid to Sir *Richard Leving* Knight, one other of the said Commissioners, the Sum of Five hundred Pounds, *English Money*, in Consideration of his Expences in Execution of the Commission relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures.

*Resolved*, That there be paid to Sir *Francis Brewster* Knight, one other of the said Commissioners, the Sum of Five hundred Pounds, *English Money*, in Consideration of his Expences in Execution of the Commission relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures.

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*Resolved*, That there be paid to *James Hooper* Esquire, Secretary to the said Commissioners, the Sum of One thousand Pounds, *English Money*, for the great Services by him performed.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the Thirteenth Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and Land Tax; is committed; That they do receive a Clause for paying the said Sums of Money out of the *Irish* Forfeitures.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the better employing the Poor, and setting them on Work.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived, and have Committees. Leave to sit To-morrow Morning.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Veneris, 8° die Martii;

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

**ORDERED**, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intitled, An Act for settling the Estate of *Catharine Villers*, and raising of Money for Payment of Debts, and better securing the Portions of her Five younger Children by *Edward Fitzgerald Villers* Esquire, her late Husband, be read a Second Time To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intitled, An Act for settling all Differences concerning Dame *Mary Bond's* Will; and for Performance of the same; be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

A Bill for settling the Reversion of the Farm of *Nethercott*, in the County of *Oxon*, for Payment of the Debts and Legacies of *George Harrison* Esquire, deceased, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Dalby*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Rob. Davers*, Mr. *Brewer*, Sir *Isaac Rebow*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Wm. Scawen*, Mr. *Price*, Mr. *Offley*, Sir *Abstr. Danby*, Mr. *Davy*, Mr. *Monsteuens*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Morgan*, Sir *Brian Stapleton*, Mr. *Freke*, Sir *Robert Jenkinson*, Mr. *Probert*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Kent*, Mr. *Lake*, Mr. *Banks*, Mr. *Pleydell*, Sir *Wm. Rich*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Oxford* and *Berks*: And that they do meet at Four a Clock, in the Afternoon.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intitled, An Act to enable *Leonard Wessell* Esquire, to sell the Manor of *Acres Flect*, in the County of *Essex*, settled on his Marriage with *Sarah* his now Wife, as Part of her Jointure; laying out the Money, arising by such Sale, in Purchase of other Lands, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Wm. Scawen*, Sir *Isaac Rebow*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Stratford*, Mr. *Campion*, Sir *Abstr. Danby*, Mr. *Osbourne*, Sir *Geo. Hungerford*, Mr. *Morgan*, Mr. *Bernardiston*, Mr. *Pye*, Colonel *Churchill*, Mr. *Freke*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Hancock*, Sir *Rich. Cox*, Mr. *Philips*, Mr. *Ashurst*, Mr. *Fleming*, Mr. *Crane*, Sir *Edw. Hungerford*, Mr. *Davye*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Essex*, *Bucks*, and *Surrey*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intitled, An Act to enable *Dalby Thomas* Esquire to sell Lands in *Islington*, in *Middlesex*, settled on his Marriage with *Dorothy* his Wife, as Part of her Jointure; he settling another Estate,

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of



of equal or greater Value, in lieu thereof; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of the Gunners of his Majesty's Garisons in the *Isle of Wight* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, for Seven Years last past, they have been paid only Six-pence per Diem, being Half-pay only; which has not been any Support to their Families, but has reduced them to great Debts and Necessities: That, notwithstanding they were favourably mentioned the last Year, in the Act of Parliament for their Provision, nothing has been paid of their Arrears, nor have they any Credit left for their Support: And praying Redress in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Mansell's  
Estate.

Mr. Price reported from the Committee to whom the Bill to enable *Edward Mansell* Esquire to mortgage and sell the Improprate Rectories of *Llanridian* and *Penrice*, in the County of *Glamorgan*, for Payment of his Debts, and raising Portions for his younger Children; and for settling the Manor of *Hentys*, and other Lands, of more Value; was committed; That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consent to the same, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Gardner's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the real Estate of *Joseph Gardner* and *Sarah* his Wife, late the Estate of *William Ridges* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts and Legacies mentioned in his Will; and for applying the Residue of the Money upon Trust therein specified; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hoyes* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

Harbours.

A Bill to prevent any more Lands being inned from any Harbour, or any more Stops put to the Flowing and Reflowing of the Tide into any Harbour of this Kingdom; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Thursday Morning next, in a full House.

Bone-lace.

Mr. *Bertie*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to repeal an Act made in the Ninth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for rendering the Laws more effectual for preventing the Importation of foreign Bone-lace, Loom-lace, Needle-work, Point, and Cutwork: And the same was received, and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Expiring  
Laws.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Pierpont*, Major *Holmes*, Sir *Tho. Willoughby*, Mr. *Wilkins*, be added to the Committee appointed to consider what Laws are expired, and near expiring, and fit to be continued.

Assaying of  
Plate.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Yates*, Sir *Thomas Grosvenour*, and all the Members that serve for the Counties of *Devon*, *Cornwall*, *Lancaster*, and *Gloucester*; be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for appointing Assay-masters for the assaying of Plate, in the most considerable Cities and Towns in this Kingdom, is committed.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. *Meredith* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Amendment, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for preventing of frivolous and vexatious Suits in the Principality of *Wales*... in the Counties Palatine: Also, Vexatious Suits in Wales.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Thomas May* Gentleman to sell Lands in the County of *Suffolk*; which were settled upon his Marriage; and to convey other Lands in the same County, of a greater Value, to the same Uses; without any Amendment: Also, May's Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Theodore Jacobson*, and others, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Jacobson's &c. Nat.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Mr. *Cook* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants, and sending them whither, by Law, they ought to be sent, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then several of them a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House. Vagrants.

And a Debate arising in the House, upon one of the said Amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for taking away the Duties upon Woollen Manufactures exported is committed, That they have Power to receive a Clause to explain a Clause in the Act of Navigation, which excepts the restraining the Importation of Commodities from the *Streights*, and *Levant* Seas; so as the same may be most for the Encouragement of the Woollen Manufacture. Woollen Manufactures, &c.

The Earl of *Ranelagh* acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That his Majesty would use his Endeavours to procure other Princes and States to pay their Proportions of the Debt due to the Prince of *Denmark*; his Majesty was pleased to say, Answer to Address.

That he will use his utmost Endeavours to procure the Princes and States concerned to pay their Proportions of the Debt due to the Prince of *Denmark*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Edward Hussey* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions. Leave of Absence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty. Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, after the Report of the Bill for the further suppressing the Growth of Popery, and strengthening the Protestant Religion, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the more effectual preventing and punishing unlawful and clandestine Trading be read Clandestine Trade.



read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next, in a full House.

Estates given  
to Super-  
stitious Uses.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to the Use of *Greenwich* Hospital; be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates, and Interests, in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Subbati, 9° die Martii;*  
*12° Gulielmi Tertii.*

#### PRAYERS.

Avon Navi-  
gation.

*MR. Offley* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the River *Avon*, from *Bristol* to *Bath*, navigable, is committed, That he was directed to move, That they may have Power to report their Opinion upon the Petitions to them referred, relating to the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have Power to report their Opinion upon the said Petitions.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee do forthwith proceed upon the said Bill, having due regard to all the Petitions relating to the same.

Thames  
Watermen.

A Bill for the Explanation, and better Execution, of former Acts made touching Watermen and Wherry-men rowing on the River of *Thames*; and for providing One Order and Government amongst them, and also amongst the Lightermen upon the said River, between *Gravesend* and *Windsor*; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Sir Cha. Bloys*, *Sir Robert Davers*, *Mr. England*, *Earl of Dysert*, *Mr. Shallet*, *Mr. Cook*, *Sir Hen. Ashurst*, *Mr. Poultney*, *Sir Abstrup. Danby*, *Mr. Mompesson*, *Mr. Offley*, *Mr. Machell*, *Sir Wm. Wogan*, *Sir Fran. Blaak*, *Lord Hartington*, *Mr. Duke*, *Sir John Cope*, *Sir Rich. Farrington*, *Sir Fran. Windham*, *Sir John Fagg*, *Mr. York*, *Sir John Mordant*, *Sir Bath. Shower*, *Sir Wm. Ashurst*, *Mr. Westbrook*, *Mr. Archdale*, *Sir Rich. Cocks*, *Mr. White*, *Mr. Blofeld*, *Sir James Hubland*, *Mr. Ashurst*, *Mr. Yates*, *Mr. Crane*, *Mr. Hancock*, *Mr. Hayes*, *Sir Jos. Turner*; and all that serve for Sea Ports, and Counties adjoining to the River of *Thames*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for appointing a small Number of Watermen to convey Persons cross the River on *Sundays*; and applying the Profits arising thereby for the Maintenance of aged and decayed Watermen, and Widows of Watermen.

Exporting  
Wool.

A Petition of *Edward Edwards*, *Thomas Bryan*, *John Cook*, and *Isaac Jacob*, in behalf of themselves, and many other chief Agents, and their Substitutes, employed for preventing the Exportation of Wool, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they have quitted their several Ways of Living, to accept of Deputations as chief Agents under the Commissioners for preventing the Exportation of Wool; and faithfully discharged their

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Duties therein: And praying not only to be continued in such their Employes, but reasonable Salaries allowed them; and to be reimbursed what they have expended in so public a Service.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Commissioners for preventing the Exportation of Wool, is referred, be made.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for setting the Estate of *Catharine Fitzgerald Villers*, and raising of Money for Payment of Debts, and better securing the Portions of her Five younger Children, by *Edward Fitzgerald Villers* Esquire, her late Husband, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Mr. Poltney*, *Mr. Clerk*, *Sir Rich. Cocks*, *Sir Rob. Davers*, *Mr. Popham*, *Lord Hartington*, *Mr. Lowther*, *Mr. Blofeld*, *Sir Abstr. Danby*, *Mr. England*, *Mr. Gurdon*, *Mr. Crane*, *Sir Jacob Ashley*, *Mr. Henley*, *Mr. Morgan*, *Mr. Carteret*, *Mr. Vernon*, *Mr. Brotherton*, *Mr. Mompesson*, *Sir James Oxindon*, *Sir John Fagg*, *Mr. Clayton*, *Sir Wm. Villers*, *Sir Rich. Farington*, *Lord Fairfax*, *Mr. Roberts*, *Mr. Philips*, *Sir John Mordant*, *Sir Jacob Banks*, *Mr. Hervey*, *Sir Jos. Tredenham*, *Sir Robert Austen*, *Mr. Gwyn*, *Mr. Methwyn*, *Mr. Tredenham*, *Mr. Lutterell*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, Suppressing to whom the Bill for the better Suppression of Piracy is committed, That they have Power to receive a Clause to suppress Bumb-boats from selling Brandy, Tobacco, and other Things, to the Ships in the River of *Thames*:

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the Settling all Differences concerning *Dame Mary Bond's Will*; and for performing the same; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Sir Robert Davers*, *Mr. Duke*, *Mr. Harvey*, *Mr. Buscawen*, *Mr. Rayner*, *Mr. Carteret*, *Mr. Vyner*, *Mr. Hysham*, *Mr. Shackerly*, *Mr. Yates*, *Sir Abstr. Danby*, *Sir Rich. Cox*, *Mr. Topham*, *Mr. England*, *Mr. Byerly*, *Sir James Oxindon*, *Mr. Yates*, *Mr. Hughes*, *Mr. Mounsteven*, *Sir Robert Dashwood*, *Lord Fairfax*, *Mr. Brewer*, *Mr. Fox*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Norfolk*, *Suffolk*, and *Cambridge*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates, and Interests, in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty for maintaining his Majesty's Guards and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions; is committed; That they have Power to receive a Clause for the vesting all Lands and Revenues in *Ireland* given to Chantryes, and other superstitious Uses, since the 13th Day of February 1684, to the Use of the Publick.

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Irwyn* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions. Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That *Sir Edward Leighton* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Clayton* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

A Petition of *Thomas Hawksly* and *Roger Hunt*, Overseers for the Poor at *Nottingham*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, at the Request of *George Gregory* Esquire, Petitioner against *Robert Sacheverell* Esquire, Sitting Member in this House, and

Expences of  
Witnesses at-  
tending a  
Committee.

and pursuant to an Order from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, with the several Books of the Poors Rates for the said Borough, did attend the said Committee from the 26th Day of February last to this time; notwithstanding which, the said Mr. Gregory now refuseth to pay them their reasonable Charges in coming to Town, their Expences here, and returning Home; they being poor Men, and not having wherewith to subsist: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. Gregory do pay the Petitioners their reasonable Charges, to be settled by the Chairman of the said Committee.

Dover  
Harbour.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the Repair of *Dover* Harbour; and nothing to intervene.

Woollen  
Manufac-  
tures, &c.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for taking away the Duties upon Woollen Manufactures exported is committed, That they have Power to receive a Clause for taking away the Duty granted, in Trust for the late Countess of *Portland*, on white Cloths exported unmanufactured, after the Determination of the present Patent thereof.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Sir *Richard Onslow* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Sir *Richard Onslow* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Growth of  
Popery.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the further suppressing the Growth of Popery, and strengthening the Protestant Religion, was committed, be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock.

Ways and  
Means.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Corporation  
Offices.

Mr. *Mompesson*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the more speedy and effectual determining the Right to Offices in Corporations: And the same was received.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Lunæ, 11° die Martii;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Thames  
Watermen.

A PETITION of Sir *Joseph Williamson* Knight, and of the Lady *Catharine O'Brien* Baroness *Clifton*, his Wife, only Sister and Heir of *Charles* late Duke of *Richmond* and *Lenox*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there being a Bill passing this House for the better Explanation of former Acts made touching Watermen rowing on the River of *Thames*; the Petitioners are advised such a Bill will be of manifest Prejudice to the ancient Rights of the said Duke's Inheritance, in relation to a Court called *Curia Cursus aque*, in his Manor of *Gravesend*: And praying to be heard, as to the saving such Right, before the said Bill doth pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition

be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard before the Committee thereupon.

An ingrossed Bill for making the River *Dee* navigable was read the Third time. Dee  
Navigation.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable the Mayor and Citizens of the City of *Chester* to recover and preserve the Navigation upon the River *Dee*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Joseph Jekyll* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Sir *Rowland Gwynne* acquainted the House, That he had, pursuant to their Order, settled the Costs to be paid by Mr. *Gregory*, to the Overseers of the Poor of *Nottingham*; and that Mr. *Gregory* had paid the same; and said, That he had satisfied them before, but that his Agent was refused the Sight of the Poors Books. Expences of  
Witnesses  
attending a  
Committee.

A Petition of several poor Prisoners for Debt, and Damages, in his Majesty's Gaol for the County of *Bedford*, in behalf of themselves, and of divers others, in Custody in the said Gaol, and other the Gaols of this Kingdom, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, under their Confinements, they are deprived of the Ordinances of God, and Service of Man; their Families being become a Burden to others, for whom, by their Industry, they might make a happy Provision; and, their Creditors being inexorable, unless the Compassion of this House interpose, they are likely to be confined for Life, a Punishment almost as severe as that inflicted on Thieves and Murderers: And praying the Consideration and Relief of the House in the Premises. Debtors  
Petition.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petitions of other Prisoners are referred.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Consideration of the Petition of the Company of the Royal Fishery of *England* was referred, be discharged from the same: And that it be referred to a particular Committee to receive Proposals for Encouragement of the said Fishery; and report the same to the House: Royal  
Fishery.

And it is referred to Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Buscawen*, Mr. *Carteret*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Greenfield*, Sir *Phil. Butler*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Jolliffe*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Baz. Dixwell*, Colonel *Byerly*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Cook*, Sir *Robert Napper*, Mr. *Osbourne*, Sir *Fran. Blaak*, Mr. *Travers*; and all that serve for the Sea-port Towns: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Petition of the Mayor, Jurats, and Capital Inhabitants, of the Corporation of *Gravesend* and *Milton*, in the County of *Kent*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they are a Corporation by Charter, by which they have, granted to them, several Rights, as to the Government of the long Ferry, by Barges, or Tilt-Boats, from the said Town of *Gravesend* and *Milton*, to *London*; the which Rights, they are advised, will be prejudiced by a Bill passing this House for the better Explanation of former Acts made touching Watermen and Wherry-men rowing on the River of *Thames*: And praying to be heard, before the said Bill do pass. Thames  
Watermen.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard before the Committee thereupon.

A Petition of *John Pargiter*, *John Hooper* *John Upton*, *Theodore Jacobson*, of *London*, Merchants, and *Kendrick Edisbury* Gentleman, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Sir *Theophilus Oglethorp* having lent Villiers'  
Estate

lent *Edward Fitzgerald*, alias *Villers*, the Sum of 2,000*l.* in the Year 1686; and had a Mortgage of several Manors, and Lands, for securing the same; the said Sir *Theophilus*, in the Year 1688, in Consideration of 2,117*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* then due to him, . . assign the said Mortgage to *Jos. Hornby*, of *London*, Goldsmith; who, with his Brother and Partner, being indebted more than they could pay to the Petitioners, and other Creditors, in May 1698, assigned the said Mortgage to the Petitioners towards their Satisfaction; but that now, by a Bill passing this Honourable House, for the vesting the said Estate in Trustees, for Payment of the Debts of *Catharine Fitzgerrald*, Widow of the said Mortgager, without taking the least Notice of the said Mortgage, the Petitioners are in Danger of losing their said Debt: And praying to be heard against such Bill before the same doth pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

Passage from  
Chancery  
lane to Lin-  
coln's-Inn-  
Fields.

An ingrossed Bill for the more speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery-lane* to *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, and Places adjacent, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the more speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery-lane* to *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, and Places adjacent.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brotherton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Governors of  
Plantations.

Mr. Solicitor General, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to punish Governors of Plantations here, for Crimes by them committed in the Plantations: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Exporting  
Wool.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to examine what has been done upon the former Laws against the Exportation of Wool; and for encouraging the Woollen Manufactures; and to report the same, with their Opinion of what may be further necessary to be done; be made upon *Thursday* Morning next.

Reports from  
Committee  
of Privileges.

*Ordered*, That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Complaint of the Breach of Privilege against Mr. *Lyster*; and also touching the Election for the Town of *Brecon*; and also upon the Petition relating to Sir *Thomas Grosvenor*; and the Complaint of the Breach of Privilege against him; and also touching the Election for the Borough of *Newport*, in the County of *Cornwall*; be made upon *Thursday* Morning next.

Water-  
Measure of  
Fruit.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for ascertaining the Water-measure of Fruit is committed, be made To-morrow Morning.

Ways and  
Means.

The House, according to the Order of the Day, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had considered the Matter to them referred; and had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Doctor *Newton*:

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Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for Sale of several Western Manors and Lands, the Estate of *Arthur Lacy* Esquire, for discharging a Mortgage thereupon; and for laying out the Money in the Purchase of Demesne Lands, to be settled to the same Uses; without any Amendments. Also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *John Ricarde*, *Jacob Dabbadie*, and others: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Doctor *Davenant*, Mr. *Cox*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of several disbanded Officers and Soldiers, against Colonel *Collumbine*, is referred.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Martis, 12<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

12<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

*JOHN Bouyer* took the Oaths appointed, in order to his Naturalization.

A Bill to naturalize *John Bourges*, and others, was read a Second time.

Bourges, &c.  
Nat.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Monsteven*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Sir *Jacob Baunke*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Willough. Hickman*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Hayes*, Earl of *Dysert*, Sir *Robert Dovers*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Thornhaugh*, Mr. *Hughes*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Osbourne*, Mr. *Duke*, Sir *Walter Young*, Mr. *Clarke*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Freke*, Sir *Fran. Blake*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Philipps*, Mr. *Battiscomb*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Isham*, Sir *John Philips*, Sir *John Rogers*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Petition of *Thomas Vyner* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by a Bill passing this House, for settling the Estate of *Catharine Fitzgerald Villers*; and raising of Money for Payment of Debts; the Petitioner is like to be prejudiced in a Debt of 300*l.* and Interest, due to him from *Edward Fitzgerrald Villers* Esquire, her late Husband: And praying to be heard against the said Bill, before the same doth pass.

Villers'  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioner, and *John Pargiter*, and others, whose Petition was presented to the House Yesterday, relating to the said Bill, be heard by their Counsel, before the Committee, on their said Petitions, upon *Saturday* next, when the said Committee is to sit.

A Petition of Lieutenant *Hugh Gyles* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That he hath served as a Commission Officer in the late Wars in *Ireland* and *Flanders*, till, by his Wounds and Hardships, he was rendered incapable of Service; and has yet had no Benefit of Half-pay, nor his Arrears paid him: And praying, he may be admitted into the Number of those Officers, who, by the Bounty of this House, are to receive the Benefit of Half-pay.

Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, with the other Petitions relating to Half-pay.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for vesting certain Lands and Tenements, late of Sir *Josiah Child* Baronet, deceased, in Trustees, for the better Performance of certain Covenants entered into by

Child's  
Estate.

the said Sir *Josiah Child*, upon the Marriage of his eldest Son with the Daughter of Sir *Thomas Cook* Knight, was committed, That they had examined and considered the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents thereunto, to the Satisfaction of the Committee: And that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Water-measure of Fruit.

Sir *Richard Cox* reported from the Committee to whom the Bill for ascertaining the Water-measure of Fruit was committed, That they had considered the same, and the Petition to them referred; and had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and afterwards a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Exporting Wool.

A Petition of the Woolcombers, and other Labourers, whose Livelihood depends on the Woollen Manufactures in the City and County of *Exon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they are driven to extreme Want and Distress, for want of Employment; their Employers not being able to get Wool to employ them, although there hath not been expended above a Third part of the Quantity of Wool this Year, as hath been for some Years past: And praying such effectual Means may be taken to prevent the Exportation of Wool, that the Petitioners may thereby find Redress.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom it is referred to consider of the State and Condition of the Trade of this Kingdom.

Merefeild's Estate.

Mr. *Mannaton* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, late of *Robert Merefeild* and *John Merefeild* Esquires, deceased; and for ascertaining the Proportions between the Widow of the said *Robert*, and his surviving Children, was committed, That they had examined and considered the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents thereunto, to the Satisfaction of the Committee: And that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Growth of Popery.

Sir *Roxland Gwynne* reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the further suppressing the Growth of Popery, and strengthening the Protestant Religion, was committed, the Amendments made by the Committee to the said Bill; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some Amendments to some of them, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for allowing the whole Reward of One hundred Pounds to such Person as shall discover and convict any Person of sending any Child, or other Person under their Government, into

Parts beyond the Seas, to be educated in the Romish Religion:

And the same was twice read and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House, to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That Protestant Children of Popish Parents may not, in the Lives-time of such Parent, for want of fitting Maintenance, be necessitated to embrace the Popish Religion, contrary to their own Inclinations:

And the same was twice read, with a Blank; which was filled up: And, upon the Question put thereupon, the Clause was agreed unto, by the House, to be made Part of the Bill.

And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Chief Justice of *Chester*, have Leave to go his Circuit. Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That all Members of Sea Port Towns, and of the Long Robe, be added to the Committee \* \* \*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Packington*, Mr. *Banks*, \* Harrison's Estate. *Parker*, Mr. *Hancock*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for selling the Reversion of the Farm of *Nethercott*, in the County of *Oxon*, for Payment of the Debts and Legacies of *George Harrison* Esquire, deceased, is committed.

A Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands and other Revenues, given to superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to the Use of *Greenwich* Hospital; was read a Second time. Estates given to superstitious Uses.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Roxland Gwynne*, Mr. *Loeather*, Sir *James Ovington*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Philips*, Mr. *Duke*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Buscareen*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Wm. Blacket*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Bullock*, Mr. *Bierly*, Mr. *Pendarvis*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Ireton*, Sir *Wm. Askurst*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Hamond*, Sir *Abstr. Danby*, Lord *Coningsby*, Sir *Walter Young*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Mounsterens*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Blake*, Mr. *Thursby*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Hervey*, Sir *Christopher Hales*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Thornhaugh*, Mr. *Roberts*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Tilney*, Mr. *Paget*, Mr. *Palmes*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Jolliffe*, Mr. *Isham*, Sir *Wm. Blake*, Mr. *Hopkins*, Mr. *Freke*, Sir *Wm. Villers*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Petition of *Francis Godolphin* Esquire, Nephew and Heir, and one of the Administrators, of Sir *Wm. Godolphin*, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That a Bill being brought into this House, for the better Discovery of Lands, and other Revenues, given to superstitious Uses, the Petitioner is advised such Bill, if it should pass, as now penned, will be very prejudicial to his Right in and to the real and personal Estate of Sir *Wm. Godolphin* aforesaid, settled by Act of Parliament: And praying, his Right may be saved by a Clause therein; or that he may be heard to the same, before the said Bill do pass. Ditto.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioner be heard by his Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

Mr. Speaker, according to Order, laid before the House the Letter of *Wm. Johnson* Esquire, which had been delivered to him, touching the said Mr. *Johnson's* Election, whether he would serve for the Borough of *Aldborough*, or *Oxford*, in the County of *Suffolk*. Member makes his Election.

And



And the Letter was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Sir,

Being bound upon a Voyage beyond Sea, which will hinder me from attending my Duty in the House this Session; and Sir Edmund Bacon and myself having a Petition depending before the Committee of Elections, about the Election for *Orford*; I humbly take the Liberty to acquaint you, That in case Sir Edmund Bacon and myself be declared duly elected for the said Corporation, that I do hereby make my Election to serve for the Corporation of *Orford*; which I request you to communicate to the House; that they make such Provision for having the Corporation of *Aldborough*, for which I likewise serve, represented, as is usual in such Cases. I am, Sir,

Your most humble Servant,

20 November 1699.

Wm. Johnson.

Ordered, That it be referred to a Committee to inspect Precedents, where Members chosen for several Places, and being absent, have, by Letters or Messages, made their Elections for which of the Places they will serve; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir Christopher Musgrave, Sir Edward Seymour, Mr. Boscawen, Mr. Bridges, Sir Godfrey Copley, Mr. Secretary Vernon, Earl of Dysert, Sir Thomas Willoughby, Mr. Poultney, Mr. Lowther, Sir Rich. Onslow, Mr. Stringer, Mr. Gwyn, Sir Rowland Gwynne, Mr. Palmes, Sir Cha. Bloys, Mr. Conyers, Sir Edmund Bacon, Sir Jos. Tredenham, Mr. Tredenham, Lord Cornbury, Mr. Foley, Sir Wm. Scawen, Sir Owen Buckingham, Mr. Stonehouse, Mr. Clerke, Mr. Byerley, Sir Wm. Ashurst; or any Five of them: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Woollen  
Manufac-  
tures, &c.

Sir Richard Onslow reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for taking away the Duties upon Woollen Manufactures exported was committed, the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto, by the House, to be made Part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Assaying of  
Plate.

Ordered, That Mr. Hughes, Mr. Philips, Mr. Thornhaugh, Mr. Freke, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Northmore, Mr. Foley, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for appointing Assay-masters for the Assaying of Plate, is committed.

Earl  
Bellamont's  
Conduct.

Ordered, That Sir Henry Pickering be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of Jeremiah Bass Esquire, and John Lofting Merchant, against the Earl of Bellamont, is referred.

Ways and  
Means.

Mr. Conyers reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions of the Committee; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, towards the raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Surplusage over and above Seven hundred thousand Pounds of this Year's Produce of the Subsidies, Duties, and small Branches, of the Revenue appropriated to the Service of his Majesty's Household, be applied for the Service of the Year One thousand Seven hundred.

Resolved, That, it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, towards the further raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Sum of Sixty thousand Pounds be raised, by enlarging the Time to purchase Annuities.

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Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, towards the further raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the additional Duties of Twenty-five Pounds per Cent. on all French Goods, and Twenty-five Pounds per Ton on all French Wines and Brandies, the Duty of Five Shillings per Ton upon all French Shipping, the Plantation Duties, and Duty of One Shilling and Ten Pence per Pound Weight upon all wrought Silks, be applied to the Service of this present Year.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the further Duty to be laid on all wrought Silks, Bengalls, and Stuffs mixed with Silk or Herba, of the Manufacture of Persia, China, or East India; and all Callicoes, painted, dyed, or stained there; imported before the Thirtieth of September One thousand Seven hundred and One; be Fifteen Pounds per Cent. upon the gross Sales at the Candle, over and above the Duties now payable for the same.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a further Duty be laid upon all Muslins imported.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the said Duty upon Muslins imported be Fifteen Pounds per Cent. upon the gross Sales at the Candle, over and above the Duties now payable for the same.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second Time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. Conyers and Mr. Lownds do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction, That they do prepare, and bring into the Bill, a Clause for a Drawback of the Duties upon East India Goods, upon the Exportation thereof.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction also, That they do prepare, and bring into the Bill, a Clause for the Importing, Custom-free, a certain Quantity of Paper for the printing Doctor Alli's Ecclesiastical History.

A Bill for the better employing and relieving the Poor London Poor. of the City of London, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Sir Rowland Gwynne, Mr. Clarke, Sir Francis Child, Sir Owen Buckingham, Sir James Hubland, Sir Robert Napper, Colonel Berkly, Mr. England, Mr. Conyers, Sir John Mordaunt, Mr. Perry, Sir Richard Cocks, Sir Wm. Drake, Mr. Foley, Mr. Bernardiston, Mr. Proby, Mr. Jolliffe, Mr. Boulter, Mr. Guy, Sir Hen. Parker, Mr. Bristow, Mr. Molyneux, Mr. Lowther, Mr. Duke, Mr. Philips, Mr. Chase, Sir Walter Young, Mr. Moore, Mr. Bridges; and all that serve for the Cities of London and Westminster, and County of Middlesex: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Petition of the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the several Parishes of St. Sepulchre's, St. Andrew's Holborne, St. Bridget alias St. Bride's, and Part of St. Martin's Ludgate, in the Ward of Farringdon without, London, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there being a Bill brought into this House for the enlarging the Powers of the Corporation of the City of London in employing the Poor, the Petitioners conceive, should the same pass, it will be very injurious and oppressive to them, and all the larger Wards of the said City: And praying they may be enabled to take care of their own Poor, by a Bill to be brought in for that End; and that they may be heard what they have to offer against the Bill now before the House.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

A Petition of the Vicar, Churchwardens, and other Inhabitants, of the Parish of Christ Church within Newgate, London, was read; setting forth, That Christ's Hospital



Hospital is within the said Parish; but have always kept their own Watch and Ward, and maintained such poor Children as have been left there; till lately, great Numbers having been left, the Governor hath sent them to the Churchwardens of the said Parish, to their great Prejudice: That there being a Bill now before this House, for employing the Poor of the City of London, they humbly hope and pray, some Provision and Redress may be made for them therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Supply Bill;  
Resumption  
of Grants.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to resume the Grants of all Lands, and other Revenues of the Crown, since the 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick; be read a Second time upon *Thursday* Morning next.

Fraudulent  
Insurances.

A Bill to prevent Frauds in the Insurance of Ships and Merchandize, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

County  
Gaols.

Mr. *Brotherton* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable Justices of Peace to repair the Gaols in their respective Counties was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Governors of  
Plantations.

A Bill to punish Governors of Plantations here, for Crimes by them committed in the Plantations, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Robert Dacres*, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. *Heysham*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Gwynne*, Sir *Fran. Windham*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Theoph. Oglethorpe*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Clarke*, Sir *John Wynne*, Mr. *Bristow*, Sir *Wm. Phippard*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Freke*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Philips*, Mr. *England*, Sir *John Philips*, Mr. *Shallet*, Sir *Walter Yong*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Hancock*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Osbourne*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet To-morrow Morning at Eight a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Call of the  
House.

*Ordered*, That the Cull of the House be adjourned till this Day Sevensnight: And that such Members as shall not then attend be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service.

Employing  
the Poor.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the better employing the Poor, and setting them on Work.

Fees of  
Officers of  
the House.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect and settle the Fees to be taken by the Officers of the House, be made upon this Day Sevensnight, in a full House.

Poor Laws.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom it was referred to reduce all the Laws relating to the Poor into One Law, do sit To-morrow Morning.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii*, 13° die Martii;

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the Naturalization of *Oliver D'Harcourt*, and others, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lowther* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

A Petition of *Edward Douglas*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, notwithstanding his having been in the Service of the Marines till 1698, as Deputy Muster-master, yet he is neither admitted into Half-pay, nor is paid his Arrears: And praying, he may be added to the List of Officers for Half-pay; or that he may be paid his Arrears out of the 55,520*l.* provided by this House for the Two Marine Regiments.

*Ordered*, That the Petition do lie upon the Table, with the other Petitions relating to Half-pay.

A Petition of the Master Gunner and Gunners of his Majesty's Castle and Garrison of *Chester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they are almost Seven Years in Arrear of Pay, and in Subsistence from the 2d of December last, and have not had any Cloathing for above Eight Years; they are reduced to a miserable Condition, without Credit: And praying Redress in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Petition do lie upon the Table.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Manor of *Exton*, and other Lands, in the County of *Somerset*, late the Estate of *Thomas Syderfin* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Jacob Baunks* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendment.

A Petition of *Richard Sills* and *Edmund Mansell*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they, being Tradesmen, gave Credit to *Edward Fitzgerald Villers* Esquire, and his Lady, by Goods to the Value of 100*l.*; and being informed of a Bill before this House, for the settling his and his Widow's Estate for Payment of Debts, and raising Portions for Daughters; but that therein is no Provision for the Petitioners: And praying to be heard against the said Bill, before the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard by their Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon, upon *Saturday* next, when the said Committee is to sit.

An ingrossed Bill to enable *Edward Mansell* Esquire, to mortgage or sell the Improprate Rectories of *Llandinian* and *Penrice*, in the County of *Glamorgan*, for Payment of his Debts, and raising Portions for his younger Children; and for settling the Manor of *Henlys*, and other Lands of more Value; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable *Edward Mansell* Esquire to mortgage or sell the Improprate Rectories of *Llanriddian* and *Penrice*, for Payment of Debts, and raising Portions for younger Children; and for settling the Manor of *Henlys*, and other Lands of more Value.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwynne* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An

Janson's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Sale of the Estate of *Bryan Janson* Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts, and Provision for his Wife and Children, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Wallop's  
Estate.

Mr. *Mompesson* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Trustees to make Sale of the Inheritance of the Twelfth Part of several Manors, Lands, and Tenements, of *Bluet Wallop* Esquire, during his Minority; and to purchase other Lands with the Money to be raised by such Sale, to be settled to the same Uses as the Twelfth Part was so settled; was committed; That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that the Persons concerned had given their Consents thereunto, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the Bill to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Deal Water-  
works.

Sir *Robert Davers* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for supplying the Town and Port of *Deal* with fresh Water was committed, That they had examined the same, and heard Counsel upon the Petition of the Mayor, Jurats, and Inhabitants, of the Town of *Deal*, to them referred; and had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and afterwards a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

And the Question being put, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed;  
It passed in the Negative.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Henry Pelham* have Leave to go into the Country, for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Battiscomb* have Leave to go into the Country, for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

Duke of  
Norfolk's  
Divorce.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Duke of *Norfolk's* Marriage with the Lady *Mary Mordant*; and to enable him to marry again: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be read upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Growth of  
Popery.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill for the further suppressing the Growth of Popery, and strengthening the Protestant Religion, be read the Third time To-morrow Morning, at Eleven a Clock; and nothing to intervene.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February, 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bills, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Friday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock.

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*Ordered*, That the Bill to prevent Frauds in the Insurance of Ships and Merchandize be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Fraudulent  
Insurances.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That the Earl of *Dysert*, Lord *Cheny*, Sir *Wm. Coryton*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *Theoph. Oglethorpe*, Mr. *Hughes*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Brewer*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better employing and relieving the Poor of the City of *London* is committed.

London  
Poor.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Jovis*, 14° die Martii;

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

*ORDERED*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the Poor of the Parish of *St. James* and setting them on Work: And that Mr. *Poltney* do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

St. James's  
Poor.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Theodore Jacobson*, and others: And the same were twice read; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Jacobson's,  
&c. Nat.

1 Sk. L. 19. After "*Holland*," insert "*Cornelius de Nassau*, Son of *Henry de Nassau Dauverquerque*, by *Frances* his Wife, born at the *Hague* in *Holland*; *Mary Barbara Briscoe*, Wife of *Edward Briscoe*, and Daughter of *John Toncloo*, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, born at *Hamburgh*; *Michael Levassour*, Son of *Michael Levassour*, by *Catherine* his Wife, born at *Orleans*, in *France*; *Evert Jollivet*, Son of *Evert Jollivet*, by *Mary* his Wife, born at *Orleans* in *France*; and *Charles Danbuz*, Son of *Esay Danbuz*, by *Julia* his Wife, born in *Agen*, in the Duchy of *Aquitain*."

L. 3. After "*Inses*," add "*Cornelius de Nassau*, *Mary Barbara Briscoe*, *Michael Levassour*, *Evert Jollivet*, and *Charles Danbuz*."

2 Sk. L. 10. The same Amendment.

L. 38. The same Amendment.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *White* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same.

Mr. *Davy* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for confirming a Lease granted by the City of *Norwich* to *Richard Barry* and *George Sorocold*; and another Deed between the said City and *Richard Soame*, and the said *George Sorocold*; was committed; That they had made several Amendments to the Bill: which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Norwich  
Streets, &c.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill to ascertain Water-measure of Fruit was read the Third time:

Water-measure  
of Fruit.

And an Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, and to insert "and," between "Apples" and "Pears," and leave out "and other Fruit:" And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And the Title be, An Act to ascertain Water-measure of Apples and Pears.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Richard Cocks* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

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Thomas' Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Dalby Thomas* Esquire, to sell Lands in *Islington* in *Middlesex*, settled on his Marriage with *Dorothy* his Wife, as Part of her Jointure; he settling another Estate, of equal or greater Value, in lieu thereof; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Brother-ton*, Mr. *Smith*, Colonel *Dore*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Tho. Grosvenor*, Major *Holmes*, Mr. *Nicholson*, Sir *Rob. Davers*, Sir *John Turner*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Cha. Blois*, Mr. *Blaak*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Philips*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Vernon*, Sir *John Philips*, Earl of *Dysert*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Davy*, Sir *Arthur Owen*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Freeman*, Colonel *King*, Mr. *Perry*, Sir *Stephen Leonard*, Mr. *Rudge*, Sir *Wm. Thomas*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Cattle Markets in the Hay-market.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of Sir *Nathanael Courson* Baronet was referred, be taken into Consideration upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Half-pay.

A Petition of the Half-pay Officers was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, notwithstanding this House was pleased to appropriate the Half-pay for the Year 1699, they have not received any since September: And, praying, such Methods may be taken for adjusting their former Accounts, and present Payment of their Half-pay, that their present Necessities may be relieved.

*Ordered*, That, in the Clause of Appropriation to be brought into the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions, there be Provision made, as well for the Arrears of Half-pay, as for the Half-pay this present Year.

*Ordered*, That Care be taken also in the said Clause of Appropriation, That the 300,000*l.* given for Guards and Garisons, be strictly and particularly applied for their Maintenance; and that no more Men be kept on Foot, than that Sum will actually and fully pay.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

Riddell's Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the selling the Manor of *Fenham*, in the County of *Northumberland*, for the Payment of Debts of *Thomas Riddell* Esquire, and *Edward Riddell* his Son; and raising Portions for the Daughters of the said *Thomas Riddell*: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Supply Bill; Land Tax and Irish Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Clause upon the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions, is committed, to limit the Quarters of the Forces appointed for Guards and Garisons.

Growth of Popery.

An ingrossed Bill for the further suppressing the Growth of Popery, and strengthening the Protestant Religion, was read the Third time:

And several Amendments were proposed to be made; viz.

Pr. 3. L. \*, To leave out, "Honours, Titles of Honours."

Pr. \* L. \*, To leave out "hereafter," and insert "from and after the said Tenth Day of April."

And the same were, upon the Question severally put, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the further preventing the Growth of Popery.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the better preserving the Navigation of the Rivers *Avon* and *Froome*; and for the enlightening and cleansing the Streets of the City of *Bristol*; without any Amendments.

Avon and Froome Navigation, &c.

Also, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the better ascertaining the Tythes of Hemp and Flax, with an Amendment: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

Tythes of Hemp and Flax.

Also the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making the River *Lark*, alias *Bourn*, navigable, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

Lark Navigation, &c.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

A Petition of *Mary* Duchess of *Norfolk* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, for putting an End to all Differences between the Duke her Husband and herself, an Agreement, and Deeds pursuant to the same, were executed; whereby the Duke obtained his desired Advantage, and hath fully enjoyed the Benefit thereof; notwithstanding which, and without ever signifying any Dissatisfaction to or with the Petitioner, and without any Notice or previous Proceeding in the ordinary Course of Justice, and to take from her that legal Trial in the Ecclesiastical Court, which by Law she is advised she is intitled to, did exhibit a Bill in the House of Peers to dissolve his Marriage with the Petitioner, and to enable him to marry again; upon which the Proceedings were so very quick, Two Witnesses lately brought from beyond the Seas being forthwith examined against the Petitioner, and she charged with Facts supposed to be committed many Years since, and long before the said Agreement, could not be prepared to make her Defence, the Places of Abode of the Witnesses being yet not known to her; and the Petitioner hearing the said Bill is passed the House of Peers, and sent down for the Concurrence of this House: And praying to be heard by her Counsel at Law, and one Civilian, against the said Bill, before any Proceedings be had thereupon by this House.

Duke of Norfolk's Divorce.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read.

An ingrossed Bill for the taking off the Duties upon the Woollen Manufactures exported was read the Third time.

Woollen Manufactures, &c.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill Pr. \* L. \*, after "Determination," to insert "except for" "Non-payment of Rent, within Three Months after the" "same becomes due and payable:" And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for taking away the Duties upon the Woollen Manufactures, Corn, Grain, Bread, Biscuit, and Meal, exported.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Richard Onslow* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the Repair of *Dover* Harbour, was read.

Dover Harbour.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair;

It passed in the Negative.

Then a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Committee be discharged from the said Bill; and that the same be committed to a particular Committee;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill; and nothing to intervene.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That

Reports of  
Committee  
of Privileges.

That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges be now, according to the Order of the Day, received;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Scobell, } 96.  
                                  { Mr. Blake: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Fox, } 117.  
                                  { Mr. Bertie: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the said Reports be made upon Tuesday Morning next.

Then the House, according to Order, proceeded to Half-pay. take into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom the Papers relating to Half-pay were referred: And the said Report was read; and also the Resolutions of the last Sessions; and also of this Session, relating to Half-pay; were read.

And the Report is as followeth; viz.

An ACCOUNT of all Vacancies which have happened in the Army since the Half-pay was established; and how they have been supplied.

Vacancies supplied before the Vote of Address.

In the Royal Regiment of Horse:

Lieutenant *George Mortimer*, dead February 1697.

Was supplied by Cornet *Charles Stanley*, of the same Regiment; who was succeeded by *Andrew Windsor*, a Cornet upon Half-pay, in Colonel *Windsor's* late Regiment.

In Brigadier *Windham's* Regiment.

Major *Henry Foubert*, quitted his Troop March 97.

Was succeeded by *Francis Strickland*, Captain Lieutenant; who was succeeded by Lieutenant *Geo. Robinson*; he by Cornet *Charles Hall*; all of the same Regiment: And the Vacancy of Cornet filled up by *William Wyndham*; who served as a Volunteer in the Regiment in *Flanders*, but is not in the List of Half-pay.

First Regiment of Foot Guards.

Lieutenant *Thomas Seymour*, quitted March 97.

Was supplied by *Wm. Barrell*; who had not served in the Army, and consequently is not in the List of Half-pay.

Ensign *Darcy*, quitted March 97.

Was supplied by *Valentine Ryves*; who had served in the Army, but is not in the List of Half-pay.

In Colonel *Collingwood's* Regiment.

Ensign \* \* \*, dead April 98.

Was supplied by *Edward Atkinson*; who went to the Regiment in the *West Indies*, but is not in the List of Half-pay.

In the Second Troop of Guards.

Captain *John Devenish*, Exempt, quitted May 98.

Was supplied by his Brother, *Henry Devenish*, but not in the List of Half-pay.

In the Second Troop of Guards.

Captain *James Butler*, Exempt, quitted June 98.

Was supplied by *Wm. Hussey*, a Brigadier of the same Troop; who was succeeded by the Adjutant *William Theophilus Wildigos*; and *Roger Mycod* made Adjutant, but is not in the List of Half-pay.

In the First Regiment of Foot Guards.

Lieutenant Colonel *Willson*, quitted June 98.

Was supplied by Lieutenant *Thomas Hussey*; who was succeeded by Ensign *Richard Davenant*; both of the same Regiment; and the Ensign's Place supplied by *Nathanael Hussey*, but is not in the List of Half-pay.

Lieutenant *Henry Lupencot*, dead July 98.

Was supplied by Captain *Wm. Berry*, lately disbanded, but is not in the List of Half-pay.

Coldstream Regiment of Foot Guards.

In Major General *Earle's* Regiment.

Captain *Wm. Cadogan*, removed to Colonel *Eckling's* Dragoons in *Ireland*.

Was supplied by Colonel *Freke*, Lieutenant Colonel, and upon Half-pay in the Battalion of Major General *Earle's* Regiment, disbanded.

In Brigadier *Sekwyn's* Regiment.

*Ralph Payne*, Ensign, dead October 1698.

Was supplied by *Robert Wansbrough*, a reformed Ensign upon Half-pay in Colonel *Brudenel's* late Regiment.

In Brigadier *Trelawny's* Regiment.

Ensign \* \* \*, dead January 1698-9:

Was supplied by *Henry Devenish*, Ensign upon Half-pay in Colonel *Northcott's* late Regiment.

In the Royal Regiment of Dragoons.

Cornet *Marsh*, dead.

Was supplied by *John Farnham* upon Half-pay, as Ensign in Colonel *Northcott's* late Regiment.

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Vacancies supplied since the Vote of Address.

In Colonel *Collingwood's* Regiment.

Captain *Jacob Burr*, quitted May 1699.

Was supplied by *Humphry Cory*, disbanded, and upon Half-pay in Colonel *Brudenel's* late Regiment.

In Colonel *Lloyd's* Regiment.

Lieutenant Colonel *Williams*, dead May 1699.

Was supplied by Major *Francis Gore*, of the same Regiment; who was succeeded by Captain *Henry Kelly*, the eldest Captain; and Lieutenant Colonel *Williams's* vacant Troop given to Captain *Walter Leveson*, upon Half-pay, as Captain of One of the Troops of that Regiment, lately disbanded.

Cornet *John Westorp*, dead May 1699.

Was supplied by Cornet *Lloyd*, of the Earl of *Essex's* Regiment; whose Place was supplied by Cornet *Philips*, upon Half-pay as reduced in One of the Two disbanded Troops of the Regiment.

In Brigadier *Trelawny's* Regiment.

Ensign *Treherne*, dead May 1699.

Was supplied by *Edward Harris*, an Ensign in One of the Companies of that Regiment, disbanded, and upon Half-pay.

In Major General *Churchill's* Regiment.

Ensign *Pelotier*, quitted May 1699.

Was supplied by *William Forbes*, a reformed Lieutenant of Colonel *George Hamilton's* Regiment, but is not in the List of Half-pay.

In the Earl of *Macklesfeild's* Regiment.

Gally Chaplain, quitted April 99.

Was supplied by *Thomas Sandys*, but not in the List of Half-pay.

In the First Regiment of Foot Guards.

Lieutenant Colonel *Felverton*, dead June 99.

Was supplied by Colonel *George Villers*, Colonel of a Regiment of Foot lately disbanded; who then returned back to a Company again, as Captain in the same Regiment, but not in the List of Half-pay.

Lieutenant Colonel *Christopher Codrington*, quitted.

Was supplied by Lieutenant Colonel *John Newton*, upon Half-pay, as Lieutenant to Colonel *Seymour's* late Regiment of Foot.

In the Second Troop of Guards.

Captain *Walkenden*, Exempt, dead June 99.

Was supplied by Captain *Byng*, a Brigadier in the same Troop; succeeded by Captain *Maslary*, a Sub-Brigadier; and he by *Peter Hardistie*, a private Gentleman of the Troop, but not in the List of Half-pay.

Coldstream Regiment of Foot Guards.

Ensign *John Whitehall*, quitted July 1698.

Was supplied by *Wm. Bradbury*, but not in the List of Half-pay.

Captain *Harry Devenish*, Exempt, quitted June 99.

Was supplied by *Leonard Holmden*, a Brigadier; who was succeeded by *John Bridger*, a Sub-Brigadier; both of the same Troop, but not in the List of Half-pay.

In the Royal Regiment of Horse.

*Wm. Fitz-Jeffries*, Adjutant and Quarter-Master, dead June 99.

Was supplied by *John Hervey*, Cornet and Adjutant upon Half-pay in Colonel *Hervey's* late Regiment.

*Nathanael Bird*, Quarter-master, dead.

Was supplied by *William Williams*, a Quarter-master upon Half-pay in Colonel *Harvey's* late Regiment.

Vacancies



Half-pay.

Vacancies supplied before the Vote of Address.

In Major General Lumlye's Regiment.

*John Rouse*, Captain Lieutenant, dead February 9<sup>th</sup>.Was supplied by Lieutenant *Patrick Lisle*; who was succeeded by Cornet *Thomas Sterrop*, of the same Regiment; and his Commission supplied by *Edward Clarke*, who had served in *Flunders*, but is not in the List of Half-pay.In the Duke of *Schonburgh's* Regiment.Lieutenant *Convers*, dead February 169<sup>th</sup>.Was supplied by Cornet *Claudius Tetefoile*, of the same Regiment; who was succeeded by *John Clark*, who is not in the List of Half-pay.

In the First Troop of Horse Guards.

The Earl of *Scarborough*, quitted March 169<sup>th</sup>.Was supplied by the Earl of *Albemarle*, but not in the List of Half-pay.

In the Third Troop of Guards.

*Wm. Tayler*, Sub-Brigadier, quitted March 169<sup>th</sup>.Was supplied by *Charles Dakin*, a private Gentleman of the Troop, but not in the List of Half-pay.In Colonel *Wood's* Regiment.Lieutenant *Odiarne*, dead March 1699.Was supplied by Cornet *John Pit*, of the same Regiment; and succeeded by *Wm. Ashby*, the Adjutant, lately disbanded, who is not in the List of Half-pay.

In the First Troop of Guards.

Earl of *Westmorland*, Guidon, dead April 1699.Was supplied by the Lord *Lovelace* upon Half-pay, as Captain in Colonel *Windsor's* late Regiment.

In the Second Troop of Guards.

Captain *D'Agar*, Exempt, dead April 1699.Was supplied by *John Walkenden*, a Brigadier; and succeeded by *John Denty*, a Sub-Brigadier in the same Troop, who is not in the List of Half-pay.

Vacancies supplied since the Vote of Address.

In Colonel *Collingwood's* Regiment.

The Colonel, dead June 99.

Was supplied by Lieutenant Colonel *Fox*; who is succeeded by Major *Broughton*; and the Major by Captain *Musgrave*, the eldest Captain; all of the same Regiment; and the Colonel's vacant Company by Captain *Delaval*.Captain *Harbin*, dead September 99; by Reformed Captains upon Half-pay in Colonel Holt's late Regiment. Captain *Lyons*.Captain *Forbes*, dead September 99.Was supplied by Captain *Francis Foulkes*, a reformed Lieutenant upon Half-pay in Colonel *Mordant's* Regiment.Lieutenant *Adams*, dead September 99.Was supplied by Lieutenant *Arthur Booth*, upon Half-pay in Colonel *Holt's* late Regiment.

In the Third Troop of Guards.

*Thomas Bew*, Brigadier, quitted October 99.Was supplied by *Francis Savage*, a Sub-Brigadier of the Troop, but not in the List of Half-pay.In Colonel *Fox's* Regiment.*James Rythyn*, Captain Lieutenant, dead November 99.Was supplied by Lieutenant *Robert Thornton*, of the same Regiment, but not in the List of Half-pay.In Colonel *Fox's* Regiment.Lieutenant *Thornton*, advanced to Captain Lieutenant, November 99.Was supplied by Lieutenant *George Harrison*, upon Half-pay in Colonel *Holt's* late Regiment, but not in the List of Half-pay.Lieutenant *Vize*, dead.Was supplied by Ensign *Digeon*, of the same Regiment; who was succeeded by *James Collyer*, not in Half-pay.

Ensign \* dead.

Was supplied by Lieutenant *William Cook*, of Colonel *Lillingston's* Regiment, lately disbanded, not in Half-pay.

Ensign \* dead.

Was supplied by *Henry Brookes*, not in Half-pay.

Ensign \* dead.

Was supplied by *Francis Tyrrell*, not in Half-pay.

In the Troop of Grenadier Guards.

*Henry Paget*, Chaplain, quitted December 1699.Was supplied by *John Brady*.

In the First Regiment of Foot Guards.

Lieutenant *Saurency*, quitted November 99.Was supplied by Ensign *Villeneuve*, of the same Regiment; who was succeeded by *Laurence St. Loe*, who was never before in the Service, and consequently not in the List of Half-pay.

Coldstream Regiment of Guards.

Lieutenant *Henry Cartwright*, quitted December 99.Was supplied by *Butler Ramsden*, not in the List of Half-pay.

*Resolved*, That all *English* Officers, who served in *Scots* Regiments upon the *English* Establishment, at the Time of their being disbanded, shall be intitled to Half-pay; notwithstanding any former Resolution to the contrary.

*Ordered*, That the Mistake, in the said Report mentioned, touching Major *Rowes*, be rectified; and that his Name, as Major, be inserted into the List of Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Eleven a Clock.

Suppressing Piracy.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Suppression of Piracy is committed, be made To-morrow Morning.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Royal Fishery.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Osborn*, Sir *Robert Napper*, Sir *Fran. Blaak*, Mr. *Travers*, Doctor *Davenant*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Company of the Royal Fishery of *England* is referred.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Veneris*, 15° die Martii;

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

MR. *Poultney*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of the Poor of the Parish of *St. James's*, and setting them on Work: And the same was received.

*St. James's*  
Poor.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

An ingrossed Bill for vesting certain Lands and Tenements, late of Sir *Josiah Child* Baronet, deceased, in Trustees, for the better Performance of certain Covenants entered into by the said Sir *Josiah Child*, upon the Marriage of his eldest Son with the Daughter of Sir *Thomas Cook* Knight, was read the Third time.

*Child's*  
Estate.

*Resolved*,



*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for vesting certain Lands and Tenements, late of Sir Josiah Child Baronet, deceased, in Trustees, for the better Performance of certain Covenants entered into by the said Sir Josiah Child, upon the Marriage of his eldest Son with the Daughter of Sir Thomas Cook Knight.

*Ordered*, That Sir Thomas Willoughby do carry the Bill to the Lords; and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Harrison's  
Estate.

Mr. Dalby reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for selling the Reversion of the Farm of *Nethercot*, in the County of *Oxon*, for Payment of the Debts and Legacies of *George Harrison* Esquire, deceased, was committed, That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the same, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

King's Bench  
Prison.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Mason, Mr. Morgan, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for paying off the Incumbrances on the *King's Bench* Prison; and for Dissolution of the said Prison; is committed.

Villers'  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmes, Mr. Vyner, Sir John Thorold, Mr. Rayner, Colonel Drake, Mr. Moor, Sir Theo. Oglethorpe, be added to the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling the Estate of *Catharine Fitzgerrald Villers*; and raising of Money for Payment of Debts, and better securing the Portions of her Five younger Children by *Edward Fitzgerrald Villers* Esquire, her late Husband; is committed.

Half-pay.

A Petition of Captain *Philip Sirt Dahlem*, and Captain *John Delabene*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That this House having been pleased to allow Half-pay to *English* Officers that served in *Scots* Regiments upon the *English* Establishment, the which the Petitioners did do, till the Regiments they served in were broke; and they being naturalized, and no-ways provided for: And praying, they may be set upon the same Foot with his Majesty's *English* natural-born Subjects, in receiving Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, with the other Petitions relating to Half-pay.

Fish taken  
by Foreign-  
ers.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent the Sale, within this Kingdom, of Fish taken by Foreigners in Foreign Vessels, is committed, be made To-morrow at Twelve a Clock.

Riddell's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for selling the Manor of *Fenham*, in the County of *Northumberland*, for the Payment of the Debts of *Thomas Riddell* Esquire, and *Edward Riddell* his Son; and raising Portions for the Daughters of the said *Thomas Riddell*; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Bone-lace.

A Bill to repeal an Act, made in the Ninth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for rendering the Laws more effectual for preventing the Importation of Foreign Bone-lace, Loom-lace, Needle-work, Point, and Cut-work, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Bertie, Mr. Lownds, Mr. Milbank, Lord Comingsby, Mr. Heysham, Mr. Proby, Mr. Nicholson, Sir Wm. Drake, Sir

Hen. Parker, Colonel Bierly, Sir Jam. Hubland, Mr. Guyn, Sir Rich. Farrington, Mr. Archdale, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. England, Mr. How, Mr. Fox, Sir Rich. Cox, Mr. Blofield, Mr. Ireton, Sir Rob. Edon, Mr. Moor, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Mitten, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Phillips; and all that serve for the Counties of *Bucks*, *Wilts*, *Somerset*, *Dorset*, *Devon*, and *York*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Suppression of Piracy was committed, be made To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent Disputes that may arise by Members of Corporations having neglected to sign the Association in due time, was committed, be made upon Monday Morning next.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Robert Legard and Sir Richard Holford:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Mayor and Citizens of the City of *Chester*, to recover and preserve the Navigation upon the River *Dee*, without any Amendment.

Also, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, and Places adjacent, without any Amendment.

Also, the Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for confirming a Lease of a Piece of Ground from the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish of *St. Martin Orgars*, *London*, for Liberty to build a Church thereon, for the Worship and Service of God in the *French* Tongue, according to the Usage of the Church of *England*: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Mr. Conyers reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February, 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions; were committed; That they had made several Amendments to the said Bills, and united the same, according to Order; which Amendments he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then several of them a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Blank for the Trustees Names was postponed.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned until Monday Morning next.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service.

Mr. Conyers, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain rever-sionary Annuities therein mentioned: And the same was received.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

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And

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And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Sabbati, 16° die Martii;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Norwich  
Streets, &c.

AN ingrossed Bill for confirming a Lease granted by the City of *Norwich* to *Richard Barry* and *George Sorocold*; and another Deed between the said City and *Richard Soame*, and the said *George Sorocold*; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for confirming a Lease, and certain Indentures, between the City of *Norwich*, and *Richard Barry* Esquire, *George Sorocold* Gentleman, and *Richard Soame* Merchant; and for enlightening the Streets of the said City.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Davy* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Dover  
Harbour.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the Repair of *Dover Harbour*.

*Mr. Speaker* left the Chair.

*Lord Fairfax* took the Chair of the Committee.

*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair.

The *Lord Fairfax* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Tuesday* next, at Twelve a Clock.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Gott* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Suppressing  
Piracy.

*Mr. Blaitwait* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Suppression of Piracy was committed, That they had made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then several of them a Second time; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some Amendments to some of them, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till *Tuesday* Morning next.

Kidd's  
Piracies.

The House being informed, That Captain *Kidd* is sent for home, from the *West Indies*;

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most honourable Privy Council, That the said Captain *Kidd* may not be tried, discharged, or pardoned, until the next Session of Parliament; and that the *Earl of Bellamont*, Governor of *New England*, may transmit over all Commissions, Instructions, and other Papers, taken with, or relating to, the said Captain *Kidd*.

Duke of  
Norfolk's  
Divorce.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Duke of *Norfolk's* Marriage with the Lady *Mary Mordant*, and to enable him to marry again, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Thursday* Morning next;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Duchess of *Norfolk* be heard at the Bar of this House, according to her Petition presented to this House the 14th Instant, upon *Tuesday* Morning next; and that the Duke of *Norfolk* be then also heard by his Counsel.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Germain* Baronet be summoned to attend this House upon *Tuesday* Morning next, at the Reading of the said Bill.

A Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain rever-  
sionary Annuities therein mentioned; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to examine, take, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the better employing the Poor, and setting them on Work.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Lunæ, 18° die Martii;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

SIR *Robert Davers* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling all Differences concerning *Danie Mary Bond's* Will; and for performing the same; was committed; That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents thereunto, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

An ingrossed Bill for selling the Reversion of the Farm of *Nethercott*, in the County of *Oxon*, for Payment of the Debts and Legacies of *George Harrison* Esquire, deceased, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for selling the Reversion and Inheritance of the Farm of *Nethercott*, in the County of *Oxon*, for Payment of the Debts and Legacies of *George Harrison*, Esquire, deceased.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Dalby* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Tredenham*, *Mr. Hughes*, *Mr. Osbourne*; and all the Members that serve for the Counties of *Cornwall*, *Norfolk*, *Suffolk*, and *Wales*; be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill \* \* \* \*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, *Mr. Shackerley*, *Mr. Clarke*, *Mr. White*, *Mr. Parker*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of several disbanded Soldiers against Colonel *Columbine* is referred.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, who are to inspect the Laws expired, or near expiring, and which of them are fit to be continued, do consider of the Act, made in the Eighth and Ninth Years of his Majesty's Reign, touching the Return of Juries; and report what they conceive necessary to be done touching the same.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Bill to repeal an Act, made in the Ninth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for rendering the Laws more effectual for preventing the Importation of foreign Bone-lace, Loom-lace, Needle-work, Point, and Cut-work, is committed, have Leave to sit To-morrow Morning.

A Petition

Signing As-  
sociations.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Councilmen, of the Corporation of *Cambridge*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by a Vote of this House of the 7th instant, a Clause is ordered to be added to the Bill to prevent Disputes that may arise by Members of Corporations having neglected to sign the Association, for indemnifying such Members of Corporations as neglected to qualify themselves according . . . the Act made to prevent Dangers which may happen from Popish Recusants; the which Clause will not only encourage the Disobedience to that Law, by reinstating such as have been displaced thereby, and turning out those that have been admitted by the due Qualifications thereof; and may in time tend to the making that Law useless, which was, in late times, known to be the great Bulwark and Support of the Protestant Religion and Nation against the Oppression and Tyranny of all its Enemies: And praying to be heard by their Counsel, before the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Report be made from the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Army  
Arrears.

*Ordered*, That the Committee to whom the Petition relating to Colonel *Collumbine* is referred, have Leave to sit To-morrow Morning.

County  
Gaols.

An ingrossed Bill to enable Justices of Peace to repair the Gaols in their respective Counties, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That the Act should continue for Ten Years, and from thence to the End of the next Session of Parliament:

And the same was twice read, with a Blank; and the Blank was filled up: And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House, to be made Part of the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable Justices of the Peace to build and repair Gaols in their respective Counties.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brotherton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Vagrants.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate upon the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants, and sending them whither, by Law, they ought to be sent, was committed: And the Residue of the Amendments, made by the Committee to the said Bill, were severally read a Second time; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That the Justices of Peace shall tax, on the Back-side of the Certificate, a reasonable allowance for the Constable's Trouble and Expence; which shall be delivered to the chief Constable of the other Division, who shall pay the same, and have Allowance thereof from the Treasurer of the County:

And the same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill: And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Silks.

A Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain reversionary Annuities therein mentioned; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Greenfeild* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

The House, according to Order, proceeded in the  
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further Consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions; were committed: And several of the Amendments to the said Bills were severally read a Second time; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Clause D, That, for the better Improvement of his Majesty's Revenue and Excise, it shall be lawful for his Majesty, if he please, to lett the same to Farm from the 24th Day of June 1700, for any Term not exceeding Three Years, being read a Second time; the same was amended by the House:

And then a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was put, That the Debate be adjourned:

And it passed in the Negative.

And then the Clause, so amended, was agreed unto by the House.

Clause E, That no Member of this, or any other Parliament, shall be capable of being a Commissioner or Farmer of the Excise, or Commissioner for determining Appeals concerning the said Duty, being read a Second time; the same was amended by the House.

And then the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Clause so amended;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Colonel <i>Granville</i> ,	} 158.
	{ Sir <i>Godfrey Copley</i> :	
Tellers for the Noes,	{ Sir <i>Walter Young</i> ,	} 98.
	{ Mr. <i>Pye</i> :	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned until *Wednesday* Morning next, Eleven a Clock.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. *Pitt* and Doctor *Newton* : Growth of  
Popery.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled; An Act for the further preventing the Growth of Popery, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain reversionary Annuities therein mentioned; is committed; have Power to receive a Clause, That no Merchandize, of the Growth or Workmanship of the *Spanish Netherlands*, be brought into this Kingdom, or into any of the Colonies or Dominions thereunto belonging, after a certain Day; unless the Woollen Manufacture of this Realm be admitted into the *Spanish Netherlands*, on the same Terms they were before the late Prohibition.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for appointing Assay-masters of Plate in the most considerable Cities and Towns within this Kingdom is committed, have Leave to sit To-morrow Morning. Assaying of  
Plate.

*Ordered*, That the adjourned Debate upon the Report from the Committee, to whom the Papers relating to Half-pay were referred, be resumed To-morrow Morning. Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned. Committees.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Swift*, Sir *Richard Farrington*, Mr. *Pitfeild*, Sir *Thomas Day*, Mr. *Rudge*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better employing London Poor.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Silks.

employing and relieving the Poor of the City of London, is committed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Martis 19° die Martii;*  
12° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Bourges', &c.  
Nat.

SIR Robert Cotton reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to naturalize John Bourges, and others, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Villers'  
Estate.

Mr. Poultney reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling the Estate of Catharine Fitzgerrald Villers; and Raising of Money for Payment of Debts, and better securing the Portions of her Five younger Children by Edward Fitzgerrald Villers Esquire, her late Husband; was committed; That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that they had heard the Counsel of the Petitioners, upon the Petitions to them referred; and that all the Parties concerned had given their Consent to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the Bill to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a Third time upon Thursday Morning next.

Lady Bond's  
Will.

Ordered, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling all Differences concerning Dame Mary Bond's Will; and for Performance of the same; be read a Third time To-morrow Morning.

Howland's  
Estate.

Mr. Blaak reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for taking the Estate, in Law, of several Messuages and Lands mortgaged to Jeffry and Edward Howland, and their Heirs, out of the Marquis and Marchioness of Tavistock, was committed, That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that they had heard the Lady Hudson's Counsel upon her Petition; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consent to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with an Amendment, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Raising  
Militia.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for raising the Militia for the Year 1700, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid: And that Sir Rowland Gwynne do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Janson's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Sale of the Estate of Bryan Janson Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts, and Provision for his Wife and Children, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Bertie, Sir John Wym, Sir Robert Davers, Mr. Offley, Sir Richard Farrington, Mr. Blathwayte, Sir Jacob Ashley, Mr. Osbourne, Sir Henry Ashurst, Sir Rowland Gwynne, Mr.

Woollaston, Mr. Mountague, Sir John Mordant, Sir Wm. Thomas, Sir James Oxindon, Mr. Gwynne, Major Stringer, Lord Fairfax, Mr. Wumington, Mr. Blaake, Mr. Brotherton, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Philipps, Mr. Hughes, Sir Wm. Coryton, Mr. White: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act Riddell's for the selling the Manor of Fenham, in the County of Estate. Northumberland, for the Payment of the Debts of Thomas Riddell Esquire, and Edward Riddell his Son; and raising Portions for the Daughters of the said Thomas Riddell; was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Forster, Mr. Offley, Sir Robert Davers, Sir Henry Ashurst, Sir Cha. Hotham, Sir Richard Farrington, Sir Robert Cotton, Sir Henry Pickering, Sir Wm. Ashurst, Mr. Hughes, Sir Humph. Forster, Mr. Osbourne, Sir Robert Edon, Mr. Lowther, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Car, Lord Fairfax, Sir James Oxindon, Mr. Cox, Mr. Blaake; and all the Members that serve for the Northern Counties: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Mr. Bertie reported from the Committee, to whom the Bone-lace, &c. Bill to repeal an Act, made in the Ninth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for rendering the Laws more effectual for preventing the Importation of foreign Bone-lace, Loom-lace, Needle-work, Point, and Cut-work, was committed, That they had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That the Country Lace-sellers may sell their Lace in such Place in London, and the Liberties thereof, as the Lord Mayor and Aldermen have or shall appoint:

And the same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Sir Rowland Gwynne reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to the Use of Greenwich Hospital; was committed; That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read.

Ordered, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Larke Navigation. Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making the River Larke, alias Bourne, navigable:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth:

17 Skin, 41 Line, after "aforesaid," add the Clause marked X.

X, "Provided also, and be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That all the respective Possessors or Occupiers, for the Time being, of any such Parcels or Pieces of Ground as adjoin, or are contiguous, to the said River, shall have Liberty to carry or convey by Boat, upon the said River, and through the Cuts, Passages, Sluices, and Works, that shall be made by the said Henry Ashley, his Heirs or Assigns, so much Muck and Dung, and no more, as they shall respectively make use of in the composting or manureing such Parcels or Pieces of Ground, as aforesaid, without paying any Toll or Payment to the said Henry Ashley, his Heirs or Assigns, for the carrying or conveying such Muck or Dung; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Ordered,



*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hervey* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendment.

Half-pay.

The House, according to Order, resumed the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee, to whom the Papers relating to Half-pay were referred.

*Ordered*, That *Theophilus Nicolls* and *John Highams* be added to the List of Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That Captain *Davison* be added to the List of Half-pay.

The Petition of *Edward Douglas*, which was ordered to lie upon the Table was read:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said *Edward Douglas* be added to the List of Half-pay;

It passed in the Negative.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That *Blaise Gervaisot* be added to the List of Half-pay;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That no more Persons be admitted into the List of Half-pay, but such as are already thereupon, or particularly directed by this House, to be inserted therein; and such as are within the Qualifications voted by this House.

Dover Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the Repair of *Dover Harbour* was committed, be made upon *Thursday* next, at Twelve a Clock.

Suppressing Piracy.

The House resumed the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Suppression of Piracy was committed.

Clause A, That the Commissioners shall, after the 29th September 1700, have the sole Power of trying, hearing, and determining of Piracies, within all the Colonies and Plantations in *America*, and of bringing the Offenders to condign Punishment, being read a Second time:

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

The Residue of the Amendments being severally read a Second time; the same was, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That \* \* \* \*

And the same was twice read; and agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Machell* have Leave to go into the Country, for Recovery of his Health.

Duke of Norfolk's Divorce.

The House being informed, That the Counsel for the Duke, and also for the Dutchess, of *Norfolk*, attended; and also several Witnesses;

*Ordered*, That only the Counsel, and Parties concerned, be called in; and that the Witnesses do attend without, ready to be called in, as there shall be Occasion.

Then the Counsel were called in to the Bar: And the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Duke of *Norfolk's* Marriage with the Lady *Mary Mordant*, and to enable him to marry again, was read the Second time.

And the Petition of the Duchess of *Norfolk*, presented to the House against the same, was read.

And the Counsel of the Duchess were heard against, and the Counsel of the Duke were heard for, the Bill.

And then they withdrew.

And Mr. *Speaker* opened the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

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A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections which were ordered to be made this Day, be made upon *Saturday* Morning next;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the said Reports be made upon this Day Sevensnight.

*Ordered*, That the Committee to whom the Bill for the better Employing and Relieving the Poor of the City of *London* is committed; and the Committee, who are to prepare, and bring in, the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners; have Leave to sit To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for appointing Assay-masters, for the Assaying of Plate in the most considerable Cities and Towns within this Kingdom, have Leave to sit To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for reducing the excessive Numbers of Attornies, and such as practice as Attornies, be read To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That all Committees, except such as have been appointed this Day, be adjourned.

*Ordered*, That Doctor *Davenant*, Mr. *Archdale*, Sir *Fran. Blake*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Sir *Justin. Isham*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Blomefield*, Sir *Robert Edon*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition relating to Colonel *Collombine* is referred.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii, 20<sup>o</sup> die Martii;*

12<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Mr. *Shackerly* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting Part of the Estate of *Thomas Cowper*, of the City of *Chester*, Esquire, in Trustees, for Payment of Debts, was committed, That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consent to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Mr. *Brotherton* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Dalby Thomas* Esquire to sell Lands in *Islington*, in *Middlesex*, settled on his Marriage with *Dorothy* his Wife, as Part of her Jointure; he settling another Estate, of equal or greater Value, in lieu thereof, was committed; That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consent to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Mr. *Heysham* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Leonard Wessell* Esquire to sell the Manor of *Acres Fleet*, in the County of *Essex*, settled on his Marriage with *Sarah* his now Wife, as Part of her Jointure, laying out the Money arising by such Sale in Purchase of other Lands, was committed, That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House,

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House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Howland's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, for taking the Estate, in Law, of several Messuages and Lands mortgaged to *Jeffry* and *Edward Howland*, and their Heirs, out of the Marquis and Marchioness of *Tavistock*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for taking the Estate, in Law, of several Messuages and Lands mortgaged to *Jeffry* and *Edward Howland*, and their Heirs, out of *Wriothesly Russell*, commonly called Lord Marquis of *Tavistock*, and his Lady.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blaake* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

French Pro-  
testant  
Church in  
St. Martin  
Orgars.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming a Lease of a Piece of Ground from the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish of *St. Martin Orgars, London*, for Liberty to build a Church thereon, for the Worship and Service of God in the *French Tongue*, according to the Usage of the Church of *England*, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Merefeild's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, late of *Robert Merefeild* and *John Merefeild* Esquires, deceased; and for ascertaining the Proportions between the Widow of the said *Robert*, and his surviving Children, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Mannaton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the Bill, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Janson's  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Morgan*, Sir *John Manwaring*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Yates*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Lewis*, Sir *John Wolstenholme*, Mr. *Lyster*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Roberts*, be added to the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Sale of the Estate of *Bryan Janson* Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts, and Provision of his Wife and Children, is committed.

Thames  
Watermen.

The House being informed, That since the Bill for the Explanation, and better Execution, of former Acts, made touching Watermen and Wherry-men rowing on the River of *Thames*; and for providing One Order and Government amongst them, and also among the Lightermen upon the said River between *Gravesend* and *Windsor*; was gone through at the Committee, to whom the said Bill was committed, several other Amendments are thought proper to be made, than those which were made by the Committee;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be re-committed to the same Committee: And that they have Leave to sit To-morrow Morning.

Lady Bond's  
Will.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling all Differences concerning Dame *Mary Bond's* Will; and for Performance of the same; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Robert Danvers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendment.

Signing  
Association.

Mr. *Mompesson* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent Disputes that may arise by Members of Corporations having neglected to sign the Association in due time, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table; Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put

thereupon, with some Amendments to some of them, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of *Mary Dutchess of Norfolk* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Charge by the Bill against her depending before the House, being general, as to Time and Place; and being wholly unacquainted with what Witnesses are intended to be produced, to make out the Allegations in the said Bill: And praying, That the Duke of *Norfolk*, or his Agents, may forthwith give to the Petitioner, or her Agents, the Names and Places of Abode, of all such Witnesses as he intends to produce against the Petitioner, before he be admitted to examine them before the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

*Ordered*, That the Agent for his Grace the Duke of *Norfolk* do, according to the Prayer of the said Petition, deliver, to the Agent of her Grace the Duchess of *Norfolk*, in Writing, the Names of such Witnesses as are to be produced at the said Committee.

And the Question being put, That the Duke's said Agent do also give to the Dutchess' Agent an Account of the Places of the Habitation of the said Witnesses;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect the Commissions of the Peace, and Commissions to Deputy Lieutenants, as they now stand, and as they were for Seven Years last past; and also the Papers which have been laid before the House, relating to the Ship *Dolphin*; be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday* Morning next.

The House, according to Order, resumed the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting the Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions; were committed: And the Residue of the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That the Trustees shall, as soon as convenient may be after the 25th March 1701, convey all the Rectories Impro-priate, Advowsons of Vicarages, with their Appurtenances, forfeited by Reason of the Rebellion, in Trust, that the Profits arising thereby, for Twenty Years, shall be applied in rebuilding or repairing Churches in the Kingdom of *Ireland*; and, after the said Twenty Years, to be applied for the perpetual Augmentation of small Rectories:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks filled up; and the Clause amended: And then the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That nothing therein shall extend to make void a Grant of 1,500*l.* Sterling, made by his Majesty, and the late Queen, for the Repair of the Cathedral, or other Churches in *Limerick*; nor to make void a Grant made by the Earl of *Romney*, of One Piece of Ground in the North Sub-urbs of *Cork*, on which a new Church is lately erected:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That nothing therein shall extend to prejudice the Grants made to Doctor *John Leslie*, and his Heir, *John Baker*, eldest

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eldest Son of Colonel *Baker*, and his Heirs, for the Benefit of his Mother, Brothers and Sisters, and *James Roch*, in lieu of their Sufferings and Services:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That nothing therein shall extend to vacate Letters Patents made by his present Majesty to Colonel *Richard Gorges*, for Confirmation of his Title to certain Lands, claimed by him, and his Father, under the Acts of Settlement and Explanation, and of which his Father was in actual Possession Twenty Years before the late Rebellion:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That nothing therein shall vest any Lands or Tenements of the Lord *Baltimore*, who was outlawed by Mistake, in the said Trustees; but that he may enjoy the same, and reverse the said Outlawry:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That nothing therein shall extend to prejudice the Grants made to Sir *Tho. Pendergrass* Baronet, and *Francis de la Rue*, in Consideration of their eminent and faithful Services, by their timely Discovery of a wicked and traitorous Conspiracy to assassinate his Majesty's sacred Person:

And the same was twice read; and the Clause amended: And then the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That the said Trustees shall take and state the Account of Monies expended, and Losses sustained, by the Inhabitants of the City of *Londonderry*, in defending and securing thereof; and shall pay to such Persons in Proportion, a Sum, not exceeding \* \* \* \*:

And the same was once read:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That \* \* \* \*:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be received;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That nothing therein shall extend to determine, or make void, any Grant or Provision made or appointed by his Majesty, for the Benefit or Subsistence of the Wife of the late Lord *Kellmare*, or her Children, or the Wife or Children of *Dudley Bagnall*; but that they shall enjoy the same during the Lives of their said Husbands respectively.

And the same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That \* \* \* \*:

Ordered, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till To-morrow, Eleven a Clock; and nothing to intervene.

London  
Poor.

Ordered, That Mr. *Yates* and Mr. *Croker* be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Employing and Relieving the Poor of the City of *London* is committed.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Jovis, 21<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

12<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

AN ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *John Ricarde*, *Jacob Dabba* &c. Nat. die, and others, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling the Estate of *Catharine Fitzgerrald Villers*; and raising of Money for Payment of Debts, and better securing the Portions of her Five younger Children by *Edward Fitzgerrald Villers* Esquire, her late Husband; was read the Third time.

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

Resolved, That the Debate be adjourned, and resumed in a full House.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. *Pitt* and Doctor *Newton*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, An Act for settling of the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, late of *Robert Merefeild* and *John Merefeild* Esquires, deceased; and for ascertaining the Proportions between the Widow of the said *Robert*, and his surviving Children: Also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for confirming a Lease, and certain Indentures, between the City of *Norwich*, and *Richard Barry* Esquire, *George Sorocold* Gentleman, and *Richard Soame* Merchant; and for enlightening the Streets of the said City; without any Amendments: Also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for charging the Estate of Sir *Thomas Robinson* Baronet, with Seven thousand Pounds, for the Portion of *Anne* his Sister; and for settling her Estate upon the said Sir *Thomas Robinson*, in lieu thereof; without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Duke of *Norfolke's* Marriage with the Lady *Mary Mordant*, and to enable him to marry again, after the House hath resolved itself into a Committee upon the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the Repair of *Dover* Harbour was committed, be made upon Tuesday Morning next, at Eleven a Clock.

The House, according to Order, resumed the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions; were committed.

And the Clause offered Yesterday, touching the Family of *Clanriccard*, was withdrawn by Leave of the House.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, on the behalf of *Gustavus Hamilton*:

And

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;  
It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That nothing therein shall prejudice the Grant and Release to Sir *Christopher Wandesford* Baronet, from the Natives of *Iaough*, called *Brenans*, notwithstanding the Outlawry of the said *Brenans*:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed to by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, on behalf of the Earl of *Lymerick*:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and then, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That nothing therein shall deprive *Anne* the Wife of *Christopher* late Lord *Stane*, of her Equity to a Jointure, and separate Maintenance.

And the same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be made Part of the Bill, for selling the forfeited Estate of *Wm.* late Earl of *Lymerick*, in case his Brother and Heir, *Thomas* Earl of *Lymerick*, make no Claim thereto, within the time by the Act limited; and allowing, out of it, 8,000*l.* to the said *Thomas* Earl of *Lymerick*, in full of all his Debts, Disbursements, Services, and Arrears of Pension, and Pretences to the said Estate:

And the same was twice read; and amended; and upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered on the behalf of Mrs. *Wandisford*:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Mr. Tredenham,	} 135.
	{ Mr. Shackerly:	
Tellers for the Noes,	{ Mr. Rowney,	} 71.
	{ Mr. Wynne:	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Clause was brought up, and read the First time, That the Trustees shall, out of the Monies arising by Sale of the said forfeited Estates, pay to Trustees, in that behalf named, the Sum of \_\_\_\_\_ for the equal Benefit and Advantage of the said *Eliz. Wandsford*, her Mother, and the Children of the said *Eliz.* by *Garret Eoulkes*, her former Husband, who, with Five of her Brothers, were slain in his Majesty's Service, in lieu of a Pension of 200*l. per Annum*, granted her by the late Queen:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, on the behalf of the Earl of *Abercorn*:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, on the behalf of the Daughters of the Earl of *Killmore*:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, on the behalf of Mrs. *Mackdonnell*:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table:

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, on the behalf of Mr. *Edgworth*, as to his Wife, Daughter of \* *Tyrrell*:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, on the behalf of the Free-school at *Cork*, touching a Grant by the Earl and Countess of *Orkny*, out of their private Estate:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, touching \* *Fagen*:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for saving and confirming the Articles of *Waterford*, *Bophin*, *Drogheda*, and *Sligo*:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for *Edward Gohegan*, of *Castle-Town*, in *Westmeath*, for the Reversal of his Outlawry, and enjoying his Estate:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, on the behalf of the Earl of *Carlinford*:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for making the Grants to Sir *Thomas Pendergrass* and Doctor *Lesly* void, on Payment of Sums of Money:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

The previous Question was put, That that Question be now put:

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for an Allowance to be made to *Murray*:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

A Clause of Appropriation was offered to be added to the Bill:

And the same was read the First time.

Ordered, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned until To-morrow Morning, Eleven a Clock; and nothing to intervene.

Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Veneris, 22° die Martii;

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

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**P**HILIP Boysdaune, John Peter Alix, John Alix, Peter Alix, Philip Boysdaune, John Baptist Bellfoss, Daniel Duprat, Henry Laverny, Wm. Folchier, Pascall Ducasse, John Choblone, Abra. Consirat, Peter Lavelett, John Rocier, Jacob Bernard, Wm. Daniell, Samuel Leart, and John Mesnare, took the Oaths appointed, in order to their Naturalization.

An ingrossed Bill to naturalize John Bourges, and others, was read the Third time.

Bourges' &c.  
Nat.

Resolved,

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to naturalize *John Bourges*, and others.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Robert Cotton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Assaying  
of Plate.

Sir *Bartholomew Shower* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for appointing Assay-masters, for the Assaying of Plate in the most considerable Cities and Towns within this Kingdom, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some Amendments made to some of them, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That all such Persons as shall have Assay, and Touch, at *Goldsmiths hall*, shall take the same Oath as the Freemen of that Company do, in relation to the true Working of Gold and Silver:

And the same was twice read, and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Suppressing  
Piracy.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill for the better Suppression of Piracy, be read the Third time To-morrow Morning.

Expiring  
Laws.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws expired and near expiring; and which of them are fit to be continued, be made To-morrow Morning.

Bone-lace,  
&c.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill to repeal an Act made in the Ninth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for rendering the Laws more effectual for preventing the Importation of foreign Bone-lace, Loom-lace, Needle-work, Point, and Cut-work, be read the Third time To-morrow Morning.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

The House, according to Order, resumed the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates, and Interests, in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions; were committed.

And the Clause of Appropriation was read a Second time; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be added to the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, on behalf of the Children of Sir *Charles Porter*:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Ireton*,  
                                  { Mr. *Brotherton*: } 131.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Lowther*,  
                                  { Sir *John Bolles*: } 91.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Clause was brought up accordingly; and read the First time; That nothing in the said Act shall make void a Grant to, or in Trust for, the Children of Sir *Charles Porter*, late Lord Chancellor of *Ireland*.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

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Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Stonehouse*,  
                                  { Mr. *Mason*: } 128.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Robert Cotton*,  
                                  { Mr. *White*: } 96.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Clause was read a Second time; and amended.

Then a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause, so amended, be made Part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Godfrey Copley*,  
                                  { Mr. *Cook*: } 113.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Robert Dashwood*,  
                                  { Mr. *Harcourt*: } 99.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, on behalf of *Catharine Harris*:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

A Clause of Appropriation to the Land Tax, was offered to be added to the Bill:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause amended:

And then the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for regular Payments by the Paymaster:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause amended:

And then the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for easing the County of *Wilts* of the Sum of 45*l.* 10*s.* overcharged upon that County by Mistake:

And the Clause was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for limiting the Quartering of Soldiers;

And the same was once read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for Collectors to account on Oath for the Surplus of former Taxes:

And the same was read the First time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

Then an Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in Fol. \* L. \*, after, "stand," to insert "or "have been:"

And the Question being put, That the House do agree to the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eleven a Clock; and nothing to intervene.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Duke of *Norfolke's* Marriage with the Lady *Mary Mor-dant*; and to enable him to marry again; and nothing to intervene.

Duke of  
Norfolke's  
Divorce.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Ashurst* and Mr. *Chumley* be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Employing and Relieving the Poor of the City of *London* is committed.

London Poor.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.



And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Sabbati, 23° die Martii;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

Insolvent Debtors.

THE Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, according to Order, presented to the House, a Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt; and the same was received.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read upon *Monday* Morning next.

French Protestant Church in St. Martin's Orgars.

A Petition of Sir *Edward Wills*, and others, in behalf of themselves, and several other Inhabitants of the Parish of *St. Martin's Orgars, London*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by a Bill depending in this House, for confirming of a Lease of a Piece of Ground from the Rector and Churchwardens of the said Parish, for Liberty to build a Church thereon, for the Worship and Service of God, in the *French* Tongue, according to the Usage of the Church of *England*, Leave is given to erect a Church in the Church-yard of the said Parish, contrary to several Acts of Parliament, and will be very prejudicial to the Petitioners: And praying to be heard against the said Bill, before the same doth pass.

*Ordered*, That the Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Janson's Estate.

A Petition of *Benjamin Smith* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in this House, for Sale of the Estate of one *Brian Janson*, for Payment of Debts; upon which Estate the Petitioner hath a Mortgage; but does not find any Provision made for Payment thereof, by the Bill: And therefore praying to be heard by his Counsel, before the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioner be heard by his Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

Seamen's Arrears.

A Petition of several of the Justices of Peace, Ministers, Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, and principal Inhabitants, of several Parishes in the *Tower Hamlets*, adjoining to the River of *Thames*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That their several Parishes have of late been burdened with numerous Poor, from the Sailors Want of Pay, whereby their necessitous Families are, and will be, a continual Charge to the Petitioners: And praying the Consideration of the House, in the Case now before them, touching the Q's and R's set upon the Sailors Names in the Navy Books.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Report from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, touching Q's and R's, be taken into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be taken into Consideration upon *Thursday* Morning next.

Villers' Estate.

The House resumed the Debate upon the ingrossed Bill, intituled, An Act for settling the Estate of *Catharine Fitzgerrald Villers*; and raising of Money for Payment of Debts, and better securing the Portions of her Five younger Children by *Edward Fitzgerrald Villers* Esquire, her late Husband.

And an ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider to the Bill, That *John Pargiter, John Hooper, John Upton, Theodore Jacobson, and Kendrick Edisbury*, shall not be prejudiced in such Estate and Interest as they have in or to any the Manors and Lands in the said Bill:

And the same was twice read; and amended:

And then the same was read the Third Time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendment, do pass.  
*Ordered*, That Mr. *Poultney* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Sir *Godfrey Copley* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect Precedents where Members chosen for several Places, and being absent, have, by Letters, or Messages, made their Elections for which of the Places they will serve, and report the same to the House; That they had inspected the same accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Sir *Simon Dewes*'s printed Book, Fol. 430. That, 8° Februarii, 31° Eliz. Mr. *Robert Knowles* being returned a Knight of the Shire for *Brecknock*, and a Burgess for *Reading*, he did, by a Message communicated to the House by Mr. Treasurer, acquaint the House, That he made Choice to serve for *Brecknock*: And a new Writ is thereupon ordered to choose a new Member for *Reading*.

*Idem*, Fol. 622. That, 31° Octo. 43° Eliz. Mr. *Godard Pemberton*, being chosen for *Lewis*, in *Sussex*, and *Peterborough*, in the County of *Northampton*, he did, by a Message communicated to the House by Mr. *George Goreing*, make his Election to serve for *Peterborough*: And a new Writ is ordered for *Lewis*.

That, 1° Apr. 1690, *Henry Seymour* Esquire, being returned a Burgess for *St. Mawes*, in *Cornwall*, and *Totness*, in the County of *Devon*; before he had sat in Parliament for either Corporation, by Letter to the Speaker, makes his Election to serve for *Totness*: And a new Writ is ordered to issue to choose a new Member for *St. Mawes*.

That, 23° December 1698, Sir *Wm. Thomas* Baronet, being returned a Knight of the Shire for the County of *Sussex*, and also a Com-Baron for the Port of *Seaford*, in the said County of *Sussex*; being Sick, did, by Letter to the Speaker, make his Election to serve for the said County of *Sussex*: And a new Writ was ordered to issue for electing a Com-Baron to serve for *Seaford*.

That, the 6th January 1698, Sir *Joseph Williamson* Knight, being returned a Citizen to serve for the City of *Rochester*, in the County of *Kent*, and also a Burgess for the Borough of *Thetford*, in the County of *Norfolk*, did, by Letter from the *Hague*, directed to the Speaker, make his Election to serve for the City of *Rochester*: And a new Writ was ordered to issue for electing a Burgess to serve for the said Borough of *Thetford*.

The Committee have likewise inspected Precedents of what hath been done in Cases where Members have been beyond the Seas, or otherwise absent from the Service of the House; and do find, (a) That, the 18 March, 23° Eliz. the House being informed, That *Thomas Beaumont*, one of the Citizens for *Norwich*, and *Gregory Peacock*, one of the Citizens for *York*, were incurably sick and diseased, other Members were chosen in their rooms.

That, Sessio. 3° Parliament: Journal of the House of Commons, beginning November 18, 1606, 4° Jac. 1mi, and ending July 4°, 1607, 5 Jac.

Mr. Speaker produceth a Note sent unto him, as he said, by Commandment from the Lord Chancellor, containing the Names of certain Members of this House, disposed and employed by his Majesty, sithence the last Session, in special Services; with Direction to know the Pleasure of the House, whether the same Members were to be continued, or their Places supplied with others; viz.

*Bedford Villa*, Sir *Hum. Winch*, Lord Chief Baron of *Ireland*.

*St. Jermin Cornub'*, Sir *George Carew*, Ambassador in *France*.

Sir *Thomas Edmonds*, Ambassador with the Archduke. *Norfolk*, Mil. Sir *Cha. Cornwallis*, Ambassador in *Spaine*.

Sir *Oliver St. John*, Master of the Ordnance in *Ireland*.  
Sir *Thomas Ridgway*, Treasurer in *Ireland*.

These

(a) In the Margin of the Journals is these Words, "Sir *Simon Dewes* printed Book, Fol. 308."



These Cases, with all others, to be taken by the Committee of Privileges.

*Saturni*, 22<sup>o</sup> die Novembris 1606, Sir *George Moor* reports the several Cases committed to the Committee.

New Members to be chosen in the Place of Sir *Humphry Wynch*, Sir *Oliver St. John*, and Sir *Thomas Ridgway*.

They considered, according to the Instructions given them; namely, of Sir *Thomas Ridgway*, Treasurer, Sir *Humphry Wynch* Lord Chief Baron, and Sir *Oliver St. John*, Master of the Ordnance in *Ireland*; whose Cases they conceive different from the Case of Ambassadors; for that, as they thought, their Patents were for Life, and therefore new to be chosen in their Places.

The late Precedent of Sir *James Lee*, advanced to the Place of Lord Chief Justice in *Ireland* remembred; in whose Place Mr. *Alexander Chock* was chosen for the Town of *Westbury*, in *Wiltshire*.

Several Questions were made of every particular Case; and it was resolved,

That Warrants should be granted by Mr. Speaker for the Choice of New Members in the Place of Sir *Thomas Ridgway*, Sir *Humphry Wynch*, and Sir *Oliver St. John*, according to the Opinion of the Committee, and according to a former Precedent in the Case of Sir *James Lee*.

Ordered, That Warrants should issue for new Writs to elect for Places void, as in place of Sir *Tho. Ridgway*, for the County of *Devon*, in this Form; viz.

Whereas Sir *Thomas Ridgway* Knight, now Treasurer at War in his Majesty's Realm of *Ireland*, was, at the First Session of this Parliament, elected and returned, into the Commons House of Parliament, one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Devon*; and being sithence, by his Majesty's Favour, advanced to the Place of Treasurer; It was this Day moved in the said House, Whether his Place of Knight of the Shire were void: Which, upon the Question, was over-ruled; and ordered, That a new Writ should issue for the Choice of another Knight, in the room and place of the said Sir *Thomas*; for which this shall be your Warrant.

Directed, To my loving Friend Sir *George Copping* Knight, Clerk of the Crown in his Majesty's High Court of Chancery.

And for the rest in the like Form.

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into Consideration upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Bone-lace,  
&c.

An ingrossed Bill to repeal an Act made in the Ninth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for rendering the Laws more effectual for preventing the Importation of Foreign Bone-lace, Loom-lace, Needle-work, Point, and Cut-work, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to repeal an Act made in the Ninth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for rendering the Laws more effectual for preventing the Importation of Foreign Bone-lace, Loom-lace, Needle-work, Point, and Cut-work, Three Months after the Prohibition of the Woollen Manufactures in *Flanders* shall be taken off.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bertie* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Signing  
Association.

An ingrossed Bill to prevent Disputes that may arise by Officers and Members of Corporations having neglected to sign the Association, and taking the Oaths, in due Time, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That the said Act should not extend to indemnify any Person for any Neglect, against whom any Prosecution is in the King's Bench for forging the Rolls of the Sessions of the Peace, as if they had taken the Oaths, and subscribed the Declaration, afo . . . such Persons shall be duly acquitted by a legal Tryal:

And the same was once read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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Ordered, That Mr. *Mompesson* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Mr. *Mompesson* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to consider what Laws are expired, and near expiring, and fit to be continued, That they had considered the same accordingly; and had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That such Parts of an Act made in the 13th and 14th Years of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, intituled, An Act for the better Relief of the Poor of this Kingdom; which were continued by an Act made in the First Year of the late King *James*; and were further continued by an Act made in the 4th and 5th Years of his present Majesty and the late Queen; be continued.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That an Act made in the 13th and 14th Years of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, intituled, An Act for providing Carriages by Land, and by Water, for the Use of his Majesty's Navy and Ordnance; which was revived and continued by an Act made in the First Year of the Reign of the late King *James* the Second; and was further continued by an Act made in the 4th and 5th Years of his present Majesty and the late Queen; be continued.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That an Act made in the 22d and 23d Years of King *Charles* the Second, intituled, An Act to prevent the Planting of Tobacco in *England*; and for regulating the Plantation Trade; which was continued by an Act made in the First Year of the late King *James*; and was further continued by an Act made in the 4th and 5th Years of his present Majesty and the late Queen; be continued.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That an Act made in the 19th Year of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, intituled, An Act for assigning Orders in the Exchequer without Revocation; which was continued by an Act made in the First Year of the Reign of the late King *James* the Second: and was further continued by an Act made in the 4th and 5th Years of the Reign of his present Majesty and the late Queen; be continued.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That an Act made in the 22d and 23d Years of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, intituled, An Act to revive an Act, intituled, An Act to prevent the Disturbance of Seamen and others; and to preserve the Stores belonging to his Majesty's Navy Royal; together with some Alterations and Additions thereby made; which, together with the said Alterations, was continued by an Act made in the First Year of the Reign of the late King *James* the Second; and was further continued by an Act made in the 4th and 5th Years of his present Majesty and the late Queen; be continued.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That an Act made in the 22 and 23 Years of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, intituled, An Act to prevent Frauds in the Buying and Selling Cattle in *Smithfeild*, and elsewhere; which was revived and continued by an Act made in the 1st Year of the Reign of the late King *James* the Second, with a Proviso therein contained; which said Act, together with the said Proviso, was continued by an Act made in the 4th and 5th Years of his present Majesty and the late Queen; be, together with the said Proviso, continued.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That a Bill, or Bills, be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *Mompesson* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Mr.

Expiring  
Laws.

Mr. *Mompesson* also reported, from the said Committee, the Matter re-committed to them, touching Carriers; That they had come to several Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That that Part of the Act made in the 7th and 8th Years of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for the better Amending and Repairing the Highways, and Explanation of the Laws relating thereunto, which enjoins all Travelling Waggons, Carts, and Carriages, to be drawn with a Pole between the Wheel Horses, or with double Shafts, has been found impracticable in some Roads, and inconvenient in most Roads, of this Kingdom.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the stinting of Carriers to the Carriage of any certain Weight, will be highly inconvenient, and very impracticable.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Power that is in the common Informer, be transferred to the Surveyors of the Highways only; which will be to the great Advantage of the Highways: And that all the Forfeitures which the Carriers shall incur by offending the said Laws, be employed to the proper Use of mending and repairing the Highways only.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, disagreed unto by the House.

Mr. *Mompesson* also reported from the said Committee, That he was directed by them to acquaint the House with some other Acts which are expiring, to the end the House might give their Directions concerning the same; viz. The Acts touching the Exporting of Coals; and touching Brokers and Stock-jobbers.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction, That in the Bill directed to be brought in upon the Resolutions before mentioned, there be a Clause brought in, for continuing the Clause in an Act for granting to his Majesty certain Duties upon Glass Wares, Stone and Earthen Bottles, for carrying on the War against *France*, That all Coals, exported beyond the Seas in Foreign Bottoms, shall only pay Ten Shillings per Chaldron; and in the *English* Bottoms, only Three Shillings per Chaldron.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also, That a Clause be brought in for continuing the Act in the 8th and 9th Years of his Majesty's Reign, to restrain the Number, and ill Practices, of Brokers and Stock-jobbers.

Vagrants.

An ingrossed Bill for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants; and sending them whither, by Law, they ought to be sent; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants; and sending them whither, by Law, they ought to be sent.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cook* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Suppressing  
Piracy.

An ingrossed Bill for the more effectual Suppression of Piracy, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the more effectual Suppression of Piracy.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blathwayte* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Doctor *Newton*:

Mr. Speaker,

County  
Gaols.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Justices of the Peace to build and repair Gaols in their respective Counties, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

Hore's  
Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for Sale of Part of the Estate of *Charles Hore* Esquire,

for Payment of his Debts; and for settling other Part, in Trust, for raising a Portion and Maintenance for *Elizabeth* his only Daughter by his former Wife; and for making a Jointure for *Mary* his now Wife; and for a Provision for the Children by the said *Mary*: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Fagg* have Leave to go into the Country, for Recovery of his Health. Leave of  
Absence.

The House, according to Order, resumed the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the Applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions, were committed: And several other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill. Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, consider of the Number, Qualifications, and Manner of choosing Trustees for the Bill of *Irish* Forfeitures. Trustees for  
Irish For-  
feitures.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Bill to punish Governors of Plantations here, for Crimes by them committed in the Plantations, is committed, have Leave to sit upon *Monday* Morning next. Governors of  
Plantations.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, after the Number, Qualifications, and Manner of choosing the Trustees for the Bill of *Irish* Forfeitures, is considered, take into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect the Commissions of the Peace, and Commissions to Deputy Lieutenants, as they now stand, and as they were for Seven Years last past; and also the Papers, which have been laid before this House, relating to the Ship *Dolphin*. Commission-  
ers of the  
Peace, &c.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East-Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain reversionary Annuities therein mentioned. Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Silks.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debt due to the Army, and for Transport Service: And that all other Business be then adjourned. Commission-  
ers of Ac-  
counts.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned. Committees.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Lunæ*, 25<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

12<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

MR. *Shackerly* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Henry Butler* Esquire to make Leases of Part of his Estate in *Lancashire*, for Discharge of Incumbrances thereupon, was committed, That they had Butler's  
Estate.

had examined the same, and found the Allegations thereof contained to be true; and that all the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Hore's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Sale of Part of the Estate of *Charles Hore* Esquire, for Payment of his Debts; and for settling other Part, in Trust for raising a Portion and Maintenance for *Elizabeth*, his only Daughter by his former Wife, and for making a Jointure for *Mary* his now Wife, and for a Provision for the Children by the said *Mary*; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Estates given  
to supersti-  
tious Uses.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to the Use of *Greenwich* Hospital; was committed.

And the First Amendment being read;

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned till *Thursday* next, at Twelve a Clock.

Raising  
Militia.

*Sir Rowland Gwynne*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid: And the same was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Answer to  
Address.

*Mr. Secretary Vernon* acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That Captain *Kidd* may not be tried, discharged, or pardoned, until the next Session of Parliament; and that the Earl of *Bellamont*, the Governor of *New England*, may transmit over all Commissions, Instructions, and other Papers, taken with, or relating to, the said Captain *Kidd*; his Majesty has been pleased to give Directions therein.

Thames  
Watermen.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Explanation, and better Execution, of former Acts, made touching Watermen and Wherry-men rowing on the River of *Thames*; and for providing One Order and Government amongst them, and also among the Lightermen upon the said River, between *Gravesend* and *Windsor*; was committed; be received To-morrow Morning; and nothing to intervene.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the appointing of Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service.

*Mr. Speaker* left the Chair.

*Sir Godfrey Copley* took the Chair of the Committee.

*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair.

*Sir Godfrey Copley* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Duke of  
Norfolk's  
Divorce.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Duke of *Norfolk's* Marriage with the Lady *Mary Mordaunt*; and to enable him to marry again.

*Mr. Speaker* left the Chair.

*Sir Rowland Gwynne* took the Chair of the Committee.

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*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair.

*Sir Rowland Gwynne* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill; and directed him to report the same to the House, when the House will please to receive it.

*Resolved*, That the Report be now received.

*Sir Rowland Gwynne* reported from the said Committee, That they had heard Counsel for and against the Bill; and that the Counsel for the Bill had produced Evidence upon the same; but that the Counsel against it did not think fit to produce any Evidence against it; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the Third time upon *Wednesday* next, at Eleven a Clock; and nothing to intervene.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That *Sir Wm. Villiers*, *Sir Tho. Grosvenor*, *Mr. Morstyn*, *Mr. Bertie*, *Mr. Vyner*, *Mr. Stringer*, *Sir Fran. Drake*, *Mr. Dymock*, *Mr. Blaake*, *Mr. Hancock*, *Mr. Osbourne*, *Sir Justin. Isham*, *Mr. Mitbanck*, *Mr. Mountague*, *Mr. Brereton*, be added to the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for selling the Manor of *Fenham*, in the County of *Northumberland*, for Payment of the Debts of *Thomas Riddell* Esquire, and *Edward Riddell* his Son; and raising Portions for the Daughters of the said *Tho. Riddell*.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Martis, 26° die Martii;

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Isaac de la Gade*, *John Batero*, and others, was read the First time.

De la  
Gade's, &c.  
Nat.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled An Act for reducing the excessive Number of Attornies, and such as practise as Attornies, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming a Lease of a Piece of Ground from the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish of *St. Martin Orgars*, *London*, for Liberty to build a Church thereon, for the Worship and Service of God, in the *French Tongue*, according to the Usage of the Church of *England*, was read a Second time.

French  
Protestant  
Church in  
St. Martin  
Orgars.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Mr. Hamond*, *Sir Jos. Tredenham*, *Colonel Bierly*, *Mr. Tredenham*, *Sir Robert Davers*, *Mr. Hayes*, *Sir Thomas Davall*, *Mr. Shacklerly*, *Sir Wm. Ashurst*, *Mr. Heysham*, *Mr. England*, *Mr. Brotherton*, *Mr. Ashurst*, *Mr. Dryden*, *Sir Thomas Wagstaffe*, *Mr. Mompesson*, *Sir George Rook*, *Mr. Hancock*, *Mr. Harley*, *Mr. Davenant*, *Mr. Stringer*, *Sir Stephen Leonard*, *Sir Cha. Hotham*, *Sir Cha. Sidley*, *Sir Theoph. Oglethorpe*, *Mr. Moore*, *Mr. Pierpoint*, *Mr. Sayers*, *Mr. Bertie*, *Sir Jacob Baunck*, *Sir James Houbland*, *Mr. Cook*, *Sir Barth. Shower*, *Mr. Buscawen*, *Mr. Blaak*, *Sir Fran. Blake*; and all the Members that serve for the Counties of *Norfolk* and *Suffolk*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Sir Edward Wills*, and others, relating to the said Bill, which lies upon the Table, be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee: And that the Petitioners be heard before them thereupon.

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A Motion

Members  
make their  
Elections.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Report from the Committee appointed to inspect Precedents, where Members chosen for several Places, and being absent, have, by Letters or Messages, made their Elections for which of the Places they will serve, be now taken into Consideration;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Tredenham, } 47.  
                                  { Mr. Hayes: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Robert Dacres, } 68.  
                                  { Mr. Brotherton: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into Consideration upon Thursday Morning next.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir John Franklyn and Mr. Pitt:

Mr. Speaker,

Woollen  
Manufac-  
tures, &c.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for taking away the Duties upon the Woollen Manufactures, Corn, Grain, Bread, Biscuit, and Meal, exported; with an Amendment: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

Mansell's  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Edward Mansell Esquire to mortgage or sell the impropriated Rectories of *Llanriddian* and *Penrice*, for Payment of Debts, and raising Portions for younger Children; and for settling the Manor of *Hen Lys*, and other Lands, of more Value; without any Amendment. Also,

Villers'  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for settling the Estate of *Catharine Fitzgerrald Villers*; and raising the Money for Payment of Debts, and better securing the Portions of her Five younger Children by *Edward Fitzgerrald Villers*, her late Husband. Also,

Harrison's  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for selling the Reversion and Inheritance of the Farm of *Nethercot*, in the County of *Oxon*, for Payment of the Debts and Legacies of *George Harrison* Esquire, deceased; without any Amendment.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Woollen  
Manufac-  
tures, &c.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendment, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for taking away the Duties upon the Woollen Manufactures, Corn, Grain, Bread, Biscuit, and Meal, exported: And the same, being twice read, is as followeth; viz.

2d Sk. L. 38. leave out "or other sooner Determination, except for Non-payment of the Rent within Three Months after the same becomes due and payable."

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Lords in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That a Conference be desired with the Lords, touching the said Amendment.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at the said Conference:

And it is referred to Sir *Edward Seymour*, Sir *Sam. Bernardiston*, Sir *Christopher Musgrave*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Ireton*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Onslow*, Mr. *Bullock*, Mr. *Boyle*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Wilmington*, Earl of *Ranelagh*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Cowper*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Hayes*; or any Five of them: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Ordered, That the Patent to the Duke of *Richmond*, and the Patent to the Farmers of the Aulnage Duties, be produced to the said Committee: And that the Committee have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Ordered, That the Reports from the Committee of

Privileges and Elections, which were to have been made this Day, be made upon this Day Sevensnight. Committee of Privileges.

Mr. *Blathwayt*, from the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, presented to the House their Answer, pursuant to the Order of the 6th of March instant, by which they were to lay before the House an Account of what Advances they have made towards the Improvement of the Trade of *England*.

And the Title thereof was read: And the Account is as followeth; viz.

In Obedience to an Order of this Honourable House, dated the 6th Instant, requiring from us an Account of what Advances we have made towards the Improvement of the Trade of *England*; we humbly offer,

That his Majesty was pleased, by a Commission dated the 15th of May 1696, to appoint Commissioners for promoting the Trade of this Kingdom; and for inspecting and improving his Plantations in *America*, and elsewhere; with several Directions and Instructions; the chief whereof are as follow:

To examine into, and take an Account of, the State and Condition of the general Trade of *England*, and of the several particular Trades into foreign Parts:

To examine what Trades are, or may prove, hurtful, and what beneficial, to this Kingdom; and by what means the advantageous Trades may be improved, and those that are prejudicial discouraged:

To consider by what means profitable Manufactures, already settled, may be further improved; and how other new and profitable Manufactures may be introduced:

To consider of proper Methods for setting on Work and employing the Poor, and making them useful to the Publick:

To inquire into the Condition of the Plantations, as well with Regard to the Administration of Government there, as in relation to Commerce; and how those Colonies may be rendered most beneficial to this Kingdom:

To inquire what naval Stores may be furnished from the Plantations; and how the same may be best procured:

To prepare Instructions for Governors; and to take Account of their Administration:

To examine the Journals of the Councils, and the Acts or Laws made by the respective General Assemblies, in order to his Majesty's Approbation or Disallowance thereof:

To require an Account of all Money given by the Assemblies for publick Uses; and how the same is expended:

And to make Representations and Reports to his Majesty, or the Privy Council, in Writing, as there shall be Occasion.

In pursuance whereof, we have proceeded in the manner following:

Towards the Improvement of the Woollen Manufacture, and for hindering the Exportation of our unwrought Wool, we did, in December 1696, represent to his Majesty, That Officers might be appointed by Land, on the Coasts of *Kent* and *Sussex*, to attend constantly upon that Service; and to act in Concert with the Ships directed, by Act of Parliament, to cruise upon those Coasts, in order thereunto: And we did likewise propose, for the more easy Prosecution of Offenders, the Issuing of a *Capias* against them; which has since passed into a Law.

Upon Information that a Woollen Manufacture was set up at *Sada*, near the *Groyne*, by the Encouragement of the Court of *Spain*; and that the *Dutch* Consul at the *Groyne* was supposed to be a great Promoter of it; we procured such Orders, from time to time, from his Majesty to his Ministers in *Spain*, and at the *Hague*, as, we hope, may have disappointed that Undertaking:

And, upon Advice of the like Attempt in *Sweden*, we have transmitted to his Majesty's Minister at *Stockholm* such



such Memorials, as, we presume, will be useful to that End.

Upon the late Prohibition of our Woollen Manufactures in *Flanders*, we made an early Inquiry into that Matter, by his Majesty's Minister at *Brussels*; and, finding the Government of *Flanders* unwilling to treat thereof, we gave our Opinion, as Occasion offered, That the absolute Repealing of our Act for prohibiting the Importation of Bone-lace from thence, without some provisional Conditions to be performed on their Parts, would noways answer the proposed Design.

Having been required by his Majesty to take into Consideration the Trade of *England* and *Ireland*, how they stood in relation to each other, and how they might be improved to the Advantage of each Nation; we took that Occasion humbly to represent, That the most proper Means to divert the people of *Ireland* from applying themselves to the Woollen Manufactures, was, by giving them such Encouragement in the Manufacture of Linen, as might engage them heartily in it.

Nor have our Endeavours been wanting, by several Representations to his Majesty, and Considerations had of Bills transmitted from *Ireland*, to induce that Parliament towards passing such Acts, in reference to both Manufactures, as might be of mutual Benefit to both Kingdoms.

His Majesty having likewise referred to our Consideration some Proposals, made by Monsieur *Crommelin*, a French Refugee, long experienced in the Linen Manufacture, for the more effectual Establishment and Improvement of that Manufacture in *Ireland*; we humbly offered our Opinion, That his Majesty would be pleased to allow 800 *l.* per Annum, for Ten Years, to pay the Interest, at Eight per Cent. of 10,000 *l.* to be advanced by the said *Crommelin*, and his Friends, for the setting on Foot of that Manufacture; the said 800 *l.* to be received, and issued out, by Trustees appointed by his Majesty to inspect the Employing of the said 10,000 *l.*: And, his Majesty having been pleased to give Directions accordingly, the said *Crommelin* is lately gone to *Ireland*, in order to put his Proposals in Execution; and we have Reason to believe he will be able to make a considerable Advance therein.

Having further observed, that several of his Majesty's Plantations in *America* applied themselves to the Improvement of Woollen Manufactures in those Parts, for the Supplying of themselves and Neighbours, to the Hindrance of the Exportation of our *English* Manufactures; we prepared a Clause for the preventing thereof; which was presented to this Honourable House, and accordingly received, and enacted, the last Session of Parliament; and we have since understood, That the said Restraint has had a very good Effect.

The *Turkey* Company finding their Trade much prejudiced by the *East India* Company's seeking a Vent in Northern Parts of *Persia* for those Draperies, which, by their Charter, they are obliged annually to export; and his Majesty having referred that Matter to our Examination; we humbly reported our Opinion, That it would be inconvenient, that the *East India* Company should send any greater Quantity of Draperies into *Persia*, than they had done formerly; and that they ought therefore to vend the Draperies they are obliged to export, either in *India*, *China*, *Japan*, or elsewhere, at such Distance from those Places where the *Turkey* Company have usually traded, as may not cause any interfering between those Two Companies.

And, for the better preventing other more general Inconveniences apprehended from the *East India* Trade, we did also, upon another Occasion, humbly propose, That the Wearing or Consumption of the manufactured Goods of *India*, *Persia*, or *China*, made of Silk or Herba, or mixed with either of those Materials; as also of painted or stained Callicocs, and of all Handicraft-wares imported from those Parts; should be discouraged and lessened in these Kingdoms, and in his Majesty's Plantations.

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For Encouragement of the Royal Lustring Company, and the Establishment of that Manufacture here, we have made several Representations of what we conceived necessary to be done; divers of which Things have since been enacted.

Upon the Czar of *Muscovy*'s coming into *Holland*, we represented the State of Trade between *Muscovy* and *England*, and the Advantage this Kingdom would receive by the Importation of Tobacco into that Country, if permitted: Whereupon Instructions were sent to his Majesty's Embassadors at the *Hague*, to treat with the Czar's Ministers; which was done accordingly: And we afterwards represented the Necessity of enlarging the *Russia* Company, as has since been done by Act of Parliament, in order to the better Improving of that Trade, and the Supply of Naval Stores from thence, as well as from *Denmark* and *Sweden*.

Upon Occasion of the late Treaty of Peace at *Reswyck*, a particular Account having been required from us, for the Information of His Majesty's Plenipotentiaries there, of what had been lost or gained in all his Majesty's Colonies and Plantations, since the Treaty of *Breda* until that time; we accordingly prepared many particular Accounts, not only of what had been lost or gained, as aforesaid, but also of all Pretensions, and Grounds of Differences, between the *French* and us, with relation to each particular Plantation, as also to *Newfoundland*, *Hudson's Bay*, the Royal *African* Company, &c.; which were accordingly transmitted.

Since the Conclusion of the Peace, we did also, by his Majesty's Directions, draw up many Memorials for the Use of the Commissioners appointed by his Majesty, to treat here with Commissioners from *France*, upon all such of the aforesaid Matters, as, by the Treaty of *Reswyck*, required any further Settlement.

The Regulation of Passes for Ships trading to the *Mediterranean*, and other Southern Parts, with respect to the Government of *Algier*, being of great Importance to the Trade of his Majesty's Subjects into those Parts; we have, by his Majesty's Directions in several Representations, humbly offered our Opinion thereupon; as also concerning a Treaty with that Government, and likewise with the Emperor of *Morocco*, and relating to the *English* Trade at *Tunis*.

We have prepared a Draught of a Treaty of Commerce with *Sweden*, with such Articles as we conceive proper, not only to preserve the Trade and Vent of our Northern Draperies in that Country, but also to remove the many Difficulties that his Majesty's Subjects trading into those Parts have of late Years met with.

We have taken the like Care in a Draught of a Treaty of Commerce with *France*; and prepared such Memorials relating thereunto, as may be proper to be had in Consideration, whensoever a Negotiation of that Nature shall be set on Foot.

We have, upon the Application of the Merchants of this City trading to *Leghorne*, represented to his Majesty the present Grievances, and further Apprehensions, that they, or their Correspondents there, lie under, in relation to the Privileges formerly granted to them, and other Strangers, by the great Dukes of *Tuscany*; and have thereupon proposed what may be of Use for their Ease and Security, and for the Advantage of *England* in that Trade.

To prevent Delays in determining Differences about Matters of Trade, we prepared a Bill for determining such Differences by Arbitration; which has since passed into a Law.

Our Report relating to the Rate of Guineas, and the Difference of Value between Gold and Silver, has been laid before this Honourable House, and approved of.

We have made Representations to prevent the *Jews* of *Leghorn* from trading in *English* Ships, thereby to enjoy the Privileges of the *English* at *Alexandria*; to prevent the Encroachments of the Consul at *Rotterdam*; and the Establishing of a Consul at the *Maderas*, independent on the Consul General at *Portugal*; and to promote the Asiento or Contract for supplying the *Spanish West Indies* with

Improvement of Trade.



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with Negroes; not to mention many others upon private Cases in Matters of Trade.

In order to the Employing of the Poor of this Kingdom, and making them useful to the Publick, we have made divers Proposals, how we conceived that Work might be effected; and have lately, in pursuance of an Order of a Committee of this Honourable House, prepared a complete Abstract of all the Laws relating to the Poor, now in Force; together with the Draught of a Bill, whereby they may be all reduced into One Law; and laid the same before the said Committee.

We have made divers Representations for the Security and Improvement of the *Newfoundland* Trade and Fishery, as well during the War, as since the Peace; and have constantly every Year examined into, and taken an Account of, the Course and Progress of that Trade; and now particularly formed Instructions, and Heads of Inquiries, to be given to the Commander of the Convoy appointed for that Fishery, for the due Execution of the late Act to encourage the Trade to *Newfoundland*, for the better preventing Irregularities therein.

We have presented to his Majesty a general State of the Trade of this Kingdom, with Observations thereupon, how we conceive divers advantageous Trades may be improved, and prejudicial ones discouraged; a Copy whereof has been formerly laid before this Honourable House.

As to his Majesty's Plantations in *America*, we do further offer, That, within the Allegiance of the Crown of *England*, there are Twenty several Colonies, besides *Hudson's Bay* and *Newfoundland*, in which last Place there is no Governor; each whereof have their distinct Governments, Councils, and Assemblies, by whom particular Laws, and Rules of Government, are passed and enacted; some of which Colonies are governed by his Majesty's immediate Commission, and others by Proprietors and Charters.

The Business relating to these Plantations is managed by a constant Correspondence with all the Governors appointed by his Majesty's immediate Commission, and occasionally with all the rest; in the Course whereof they send us Journals of their Councils, Assemblies, and other publick Proceedings, with Accounts of all Things whatsoever relating to each of their Governments; all which are considered by us for the necessary Orders to be returned thereupon; and, more particularly, the many Acts or Laws of the several Assemblies transmitted from thence fall under our Examination; and, after our consulting his Majesty's Counsel learned in the Law, as to the legal Part, our Reports are made thereupon to his Majesty in his Privy Council, for his Royal Assent, or Disallowance thereof; with particular Regard to the Interest and Improvement of the Trade of *England*, as well as the Good of those Plantations.

We have, since our Constitution, prepared Draughts of Commissions and Instructions for all the Governors of his Majesty's Plantations.

We have, upon several Occasions, proposed to his Majesty the Appointing of Convoys for the Plantations, and of Ships of War necessary to attend and protect the Trade of those Plantations: And, upon the Complaints of the Inhabitants there, or Merchants in *England*, of Hardships in the Pressing of Men, and otherwise, by Captains of Men of War in those Parts, we have presented to his Majesty Regulations therein, which have had a good Effect.

Upon Information from the Officers of his Majesty's Customs in the Plantations, and others, of the Partiality of the People there, and more particularly in the Propriety Governments, in all Tryals upon the Acts of Trade wherein their private Interest is concerned, and of the Difficulties in the obtaining any Execution of those Acts in the former Method; we did represent the Usefulness of Courts of Admiralty in the Plantations: Upon which such Courts have been erected; and, where they have not been disputed, have proved of great Encouragement to legal Trade.

Being informed, by many Instances, of the great

Countenance given to Pirates in some of the Plantations, and chiefly in the Proprieties, and Charter Governments, by fitting out their Ships from thence, and furnishing them with all Sorts of Provision and Ammunition, and receiving them, with their Plunder and Booty, at their Return, and acquitting them upon feigned Tryals; we did make several Representations thereupon; and proposed the Enacting of Laws there, for the Tryal and Punishment of Pirates, in Conformity to a Law heretofore passed in *Jamaica* to that Effect: Which having been refused in the said Proprieties, and Charter Governments, we proposed, as the only Remedy for so great an Evil, the offering a Bill in Parliament for that Purpose; wherein we consulted Sir *Charles Hedges*, Judge of His Majesty's High Court of Admiralty; by whose great Care and Assistance such a Bill has been prepared, and is now lying before this Honourable House.

And, being further sensible of the great Irregularities in the Proprieties, and Charter Governments, not only in reference to illegal Trade, and Piracy, but otherwise, we have, upon several Occasions, represented the same to his Majesty: And an Act of Parliament having passed, whereby the Governors of those Plantations are obliged to have his Majesty's Approbation, for their acting in that Capacity; we required all the said Proprietors and Governments to present their respective Governors to his Majesty; and, in order to his Approbation of them, to give Security for their due observing the Acts of Trade, according to an Address presented to his Majesty, by the Right Honourable the House of Lords, for that Purpose: But all the said Proprietors here having declined to give any such Security; and only Two Charter Governments, *viz. Connecticut*, and *Rhode Island*, having lately done it in *America*; and not any one of those Governors being at present qualified by his Majesty's Approbation of them, as required by the said Act of Parliament; we do not see any thing, without some further Provision by Parliament, capable to reduce them to a more regular Conduct, and Compliance with their Duty, in reference to the Trade of *England*.

We have also, upon Occasion, represented the Misdemeanors, and ill Conduct, of some Governors of Plantations acting by his Majesty's immediate Commission.

We have made many Representations in Defence of his Majesty's Title to several Islands in *America*, claimed by foreign Princes; of which one is a Claim made by the Elector of *Brandenburgh* to the Island of *New Tertholen*, lying amongst his Majesty's Leeward *Caribbee* Islands; one made by the *French King*, to the Island of *Sancta Lucia*, lying amongst the Windward *Caribbee* Islands; one made by the *French King*, to the Island of *Tobago*, one of the Windward *Caribbee* Islands; and another by the Duke of *Courland*, to the same Island.

Having been required, this Session of Parliament, by the Right Honourable the House of Lords, to lay before their Lordships our Opinion, how consistent the Colony at *Darien* may be with the Treaties with *Spain*, and the Trade of this Kingdom; we did accordingly make our humble Report therein; which, we presume, was satisfactory, their Lordships having made an Address to his Majesty to the same Effect.

We have made several Representations relating to the Boundaries between his Majesty's Plantations, and those of the *French*, upon the Continent, particularly in the North-eastern Parts of *New England*, where they have endeavoured to encroach upon us both as to the Land and Fishery.

Upon Controversies that have happened between some of his Majesty's Colonies, and others, relating to their Boundaries; especially between his Majesty's Governments and Proprieties; and upon different Claims that have been set on foot to some whole Provinces, we have examined all their respective Titles; and the necessary Instructions have been given by his Majesty thereupon.

We have often represented the Necessity of preserving the Friendship of the Five Nations of *Indians*, which are a Barrier between his Majesty's Plantations and *Canada*, by treating

treating them kindly, and shewing them a Force constantly maintained in *New York*, ready to protect them upon all Occasions.

We have applied ourselves to the promoting the Importation of Naval Stores from *New England*, and other his Majesty's Plantations; and for the carrying on so good a Design, his Majesty has been pleased, upon our Applications, to order the Navy Board to send Commissioners to *New England*, who have been likewise joined with Commissioners of that Colony, for the Viewing and Inspecting the Woods lying upon that Coast, for providing his Majesty's Navy with Masts, and other necessary Materials for Building of Ships, as also with Pitch, Tar, and Rosin, of which great Quantities may be produced in those Parts; and some Specimens of each, sent by the said Commissioners, are lately arrived, and now under the Examination of the Navy Board.

These being the chief Particulars about which our Time has been and is daily taken up, besides the frequent Applications of Merchants, and of the Persons concerned in the Plantations, with the constant Accession of the like Business; we thought it our Duty to lay as short an Account thereof before this Honourable House, as the Nature of each Particular would bear.

All which is humbly submitted.

Whitehall, March the 22, 1700. *Stanford, John Pollerfen, Lexington, George Stepney, Ph. Meadows, Abr. Hill, Wm. Blathwayt,*

Ordered, That the said Answer do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Dover  
Harbour.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Repair of *Dover Harbour* was committed, be now received;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, {Colonel Lee, } 127.  
Sir Bas. Dixwell:

Tellers for the Noes, {Mr. Foley, } 80.  
Mr. Winnington:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Lord *Fairfax*, according to Order, reported from the said Committee, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for exempting *Weymouth, Melcomb Regis, and Lyme Regis*, from the Duties charged by that Bill:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for exempting *Yarmouth* from the Duties charged by that Bill:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for exempting *Ramsgate* from the Duties charged by that Bill:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Raising  
Militia.

A Bill for raising the Militia for the Year 1700, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning,  
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resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause, That the Trophy-money be not collected till the Money last collected be accounted for at the Quarter Sessions.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debt due to the Army, and for Transport Service, was committed, be made To-morrow Morning. Commissioners of Accounts.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider of the Number, Qualifications, and Manner of choosing the Trustees for the Bill of *Irish Forfeitures*. Trustees for Irish Forfeitures.

Resolved, That the Number of the said Trustees be Thirteen.

Resolved, That no Person be a Trustee, who hath any Office of Profit, or is accountable to his Majesty.

Resolved, That no Member of this House be a Trustee in the Bill of *Irish Forfeitures*.

Resolved, That the said Trustees be chosen by way of Ballotting.

Ordered, That the Members of this House do, by Thursday next, at Twelve of the Clock, prepare Lists of Thirteen Persons Names, to be put into Glasses, to be elected Trustees for the Bill of *Irish Forfeitures*.

Ordered, That the ingrossed Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions; be read the Third time upon Saturday Morning next. Supply Bill; Land Tax and Irish Forfeitures.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect the Commissions of the Peace, and Commissions to Deputy Lieutenants, as they now stand, and as they were for Seven Years last past. Commissions of the Peace, &c.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be made to his Majesty, That it will much conduce to the Service of his Majesty, and Good of the Kingdom, that Gentlemen of Quality, and good Estates, be put into the Commissions of the Peace, and Lieutenancy; and that Men of small Estates be neither continued, or put into the said Commissions;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, after "Estates be," to insert "restored and:"

And the Question being put, That those Words be inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, {Colonel Granville, } 119.  
Mr. Tredenham:

Tellers for the Noes, {Mr. Polny, } 113.  
Mr. Lowther:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, after "Lieutenancy," to insert "who are well affected to his Majesty, and his Government:"

And the Question being put, That those Words be inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, {Lord Pawlet, } 112.  
Mr. Cowper:

Tellers for the Noes, {Colonel Granville, } 120.  
Sir Rob. Davers:

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be made to his Majesty,  
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Majesty, That it will much conduce to the Service of his Majesty, and the Good of this Kingdom, that Gentlemen of Quality, and good Estates, be restored and put into the Commissions of the Peace, and Lieutenancy; and that Men of small Estates be neither continued, nor put into the said Commissions.

*Resolved*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do humbly know his Majesty's Pleasure, when he will be attended by this House.

London  
Poor.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Knight and Mr. Weston be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better employing and relieving the Poor of the City of London is committed.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Mercurii, 27° die Martii.

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

French  
Protestant  
Church in  
St. Martin  
Orgars.

**ORDERED**, That the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming a Lease of a Piece of Ground from the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish of *St. Martin Orgars, London*, for Liberty to build a Church thereon, for the Worship and Service of God, in the *French* Tongue, according to the Usage of the Church of *England*, do meet upon *Tuesday* Morning next, at Eight a Clock: And that all Parties concerned do then attend the said Committee.

London  
Poor.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Employing and Relieving the Poor of the City of *London* is committed, have Power to report their Opinions upon the Petitions to them referred.

Ricarde's,  
&c. Nat.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Naturalizing *John Ricarde, Jacob Dabbadie*, and others, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir Rowland Gwynne, Sir Cha. Carteret, Sir Barthol. Shower, Sir Fra. Blake, Mr. Lowther, Mr. Ogle, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Bulkley, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Hayes, Sir Rich. Onslow, Mr. Bridgman, Sir Steph. Leonard, Mr. Osbourne, Lord Cornbury, Mr. Egerton, Sir John Packington, Mr. Hughes, Sir Hen. Parker, Mr. Thornhaugh, Mr. England, Sir Bevil Greenoile, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Mompesson, Sir Theo. Oglethorpe, Mr. Blofeld, Mr. Philips, Mr. Shackerly, Mr. Morgan, Sir Thomas Day, Mr. Winnington, Mr. Stringer, Sir Robert Cotton, Sir Robert Davers, Mr. White, Sir Robert Napper, Sir Wm. Blacket, Sir Richard Farrington: And they are to meet at Four a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Governors of  
Plantations.

Mr. Solicitor General reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to punish Governors of Plantations here, for Crimes by them committed in the Plantations, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Riddel's  
Estate.

Mr. Ogle reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the Selling the Manor of *Fenham*, in the County of *Northumberland*, for the Payment of the Debts of *Thomas Riddel* Esquire, and *Edward Riddel* his Son; and raising

Portions for the Daughters of the said *Thomas Riddel*; was committed; That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Sale of Part of the Estate of *Charles Hore* Esquire, for Payment of his Debts; and for settling other Part, in Trust, for raising a Portion and Maintenance for *Elizabeth*, his only Daughter by his former Wife; and for making a Jointure for *Mary*, his now Wife; and for a Provision for the Children by the said *Mary*; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir Barth. Shower, Sir Wm. Drake, Sir Wm. Coriton, Mr. Northmore, Mr. Crane, Sir Rowland Gwynne, Mr. Blaak, Mr. Blofeld, Sir John Packington, Mr. Hancock, Mr. White, Mr. Shackerly, Mr. Mountague, Sir John Garrard, Mr. Stringer, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Cholmley, Sir Hen. Parker; and all that serve for the Counties of *Cornwall, Devon, Somerset, Dorset, and Wilts*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time, in a full House.

An ingrossed Bill for the appointing Assay-masters, for the Assaying of Plate in the most considerable Cities and Towns within this Kingdom, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, That all Plate manufactured in *England*, after the said 24th Day of June, being of the Goodness of Eleven Ounces Two Pennyweight, and marked as by the Act directed, may be exported to any of his Majesty's Plantations:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for appointing Assayers of Plate, and settling the old Standard thereof within this Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That Sir Bartholomew Shower do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir John Francklyn and Sir Robert Legard:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for taking the Estate, in Law, of several Messuages and Lands mortgaged to *Jeffrey* and *Edward Howland*, and their Heirs, out of *Wriothesly Russell*, commonly called Lord Marquis of *Tavistock*, and his Lady, with an Amendment: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting certain Lands and Tenements of Sir *Josiah Child* Baronet, deceased, in Trustees, for the better Performance of certain Covenants entered into by the said Sir *Josiah Child*, upon the Marriage of his eldest Son with the Daughter of Sir *Tho. Cook* Knight, without any Amendment.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Mr. Mompesson reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Explanation and better Execution, of former Acts made touching Watermen and Wherry-men rowing on the River of *Thames*, and for providing One Order and Government amongst them, and also amongst the Lightermen upon the said River, between *Gravesend* and *Windsor*; was committed; That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That the said Report be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Expiring  
Laws.

Mr. *Mompesson*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for continuing several Laws therein mentioned: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Dover Har-  
bour.

An ingrossed Bill for the Repair of *Dover* Harbour was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, That no Coaster or Fisherman shall pay the Duty charged by that Act oftener than once in any one Year:

And the same was twice read, with a Blank; and the Blank was filled up; and the Clause amended: And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, to exempt *Southampton* from the Duties charged by that Act:

And the same was once read; and, being interlined, was withdrawn, by Leave of the House.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Repair of *Dover* Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Fairfax* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Bourges', &c.  
Nat.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Franchlyn* and Sir *Robert Legard*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to naturalize *John Bourges*, and others, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Silks.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain reversionary Annuities therein mentioned; is committed; That they have Power to receive a Clause for the Relief of such Persons as have purchased reversionary Annuities, when the Nominees are not known to be dead.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause, to oblige those that have the present Estates in Annuities, to make Proof from time to time, that their Nominees are living.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause, for Relief of such Persons who, by Fire, or other Accidents, have lost any Malt Tickets, or Exchequer Bills.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for repealing a Clause in a former Act, relating to Persons taking the Oaths, and registering Assignments, upon Selling of Orders or Tallics in the Exchequer.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause, to confirm Assignments, made by the Earl of *Ranelagh*, of Annuities to Clothiers, pursuant to a late Act made in that behalf.

Commission-  
ers of Ac-  
counts.

Sir *Godfrey Copley*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debt due to the Army, and for Transport Service, was committed, the Amendments made by the Committee to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

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A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for Redemption of Debts:

And the same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the City of *London* to determine the Differences touching the said Debts:

And the same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, touching Arrears of Pay to Officers:

And the same was twice read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for the Form of the Debentures to be given to Soldiers:

And the same was twice read with a Blank; which was filled up: And then the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for Certificates to Officers to be for no more than is due from the King:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for Salaries to Clerks and Officers:

And the same was twice read with Blanks; which were filled up; and then the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for Certificates and Debentures to be made by certain Days:

And the same was twice read with Blanks; which were filled up: And then the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow at Twelve a Clock, take into Consideration the Number, Qualifications, and Manner of choosing the Commissioners for the said Bill.

*Resolved*, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Duke of *Norfolk's* Marriage with the Lady *Mary Mordant*, and to enable him to marry again, be now read the Third time.

The Bill was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, to make void Conveyances made by the Duchess of *Norfolk*:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, that the Clause be brought to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, for Notice to be given of Payment of the 10,000*l.* mentioned in the Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Then an Amendment was proposed to be made in the Bill; Pr. \*, L. \*, after "Ancestors," to insert "according to the Settlements and Entails thereof:"

And the Question being put, that those Words be inserted;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwynne* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for raising the Militia for the Year 1700, although

Duke of  
Norfolk's  
Divorce.

Raising  
Militia.



although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid.

Woollen  
Manufactures, &c.

*Ordered*, That the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, touching the Amendment, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for taking away the Duties upon the Woollen Manufactures, Corn, Grain, Bread, Biscuit, and Meal, exported, have Leave to sit To-Morrow Morning.

Hore's  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned, except the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Sale of Part of the Estate of *Charles Hore* Esquire, for Payment of his Debts; and for settling other Part, in Trust, for raising a Portion and Maintenance for *Elizabeth*, his only Daughter by his former Wife; and for making a Jointure for *Mary*, his now Wife; and for a Provision for the Children of the said *Mary*; is committed.

French Pro-  
testant  
Church in  
St. Martin  
Orgars.

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *How*, Sir *James Oxinden*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Molyneux*, Mr. *Iretton*, Sir *John Manwareing*, Sir *Walter Young*, Mr. *Morgan*, Colonel *Kirkby*, Sir *Rich. Farrington*, Mr. *Foley*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, be added to the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming a Lease of a Piece of Ground from the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish of *Saint Martin Orgars*, London, for Liberty to build a Church thereon, for the Worship and Service of God, in the *French Tongue*, according to the Usage of the Church of *England*.....

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Jovis, 28° die Martii;

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

*ABRAHAM Sally*, *Ja. Mauciere*, *Fr. Cappell*, *Daniel Cappell*, *Solomon de Guiron*, *Alex. Mylne*, *Ja. Hallce*, *John Hesse*, *Anth. Biesse*, *Gab. Ramondon*, *Ja. Briand*, *Ja. Cordes*, *Peter Merchant*, *John Ville-neuf*, *Peter de Mombray*, *John Gignons*, *Amb. Hankwitz*, *Cha. le Blanc*, and *Edward Moor*, took the Oaths appointed, in order to their Naturalization.

DelaGarde's,  
&c. Nat.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Isaac De la Garde*, *John Batere*, and others, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Got*, Sir *Rox. Gwynne*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Mason*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Heysham*, Mr. *Stringer*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *Thomas Day*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Lord *Coxingsby*, Mr. *Hervey*, Mr. *Lewis*, Mr. *Winnington*, Sir *Robert Napper*, Mr. *Cowper*, Mr. *Bolter*, Mr. *Philips*, Mr. *Blofield*, Sir *Cha. Carteret*, Mr. *Clarke*, Lord *Fairfax*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Ogle*, Sir *Fra. Blake*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Bertie*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Janson's  
Estate.

Sir *John Manwareing* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Sale of the Estate of *Bryan Janson* Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts, and Provision for his Wife and Children, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true; and that they had heard the Petitioner against the Bill; and that he declared himself satisfied therewith; and that all the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that they had directed him to report the same

to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

An ingrossed Bill to punish Governors of Plantations in this Kingdom, for Crimes by them committed in the Plantations, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill do pass: And that the Title be, an Act to punish Governors of Plantations in this Kingdom, for Crimes by them committed in the Plantations.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Solicitor General do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Bill for continuing several Laws therein mentioned was read a Second time. Expiring Laws.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Wm. Blacket*, Sir *Rob. Davers*, Sir *Rowl. Gwynne*, Sir *Wm. Villers*, Sir *Thom. Davall*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Mr. *Shallet*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Fleming*, Mr. *Bernardiston*, Mr. *Yates*, Sir *Willo. Hickman*, Mr. *Hancock*, Mr. *Blofield*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Car*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Mr. *Stockdale*, Mr. *Vane*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Davy*, Mr. *Worsley*, Mr. *Chace*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe, and that serve for the Sea-port Towns: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Leonard Wessell* Esquire to sell the Manor of *Acres Fleet*, in the County of *Essex*, settled on his Marriage with *Sarah* his now Wife, as Part of her Jointure; laying out of the Money arising by such Sale in Purchase of other Lands; was read the Third time. Wessell's Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Heysham* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Dalby Thomas* Esquire to sell Lands in *Islington*, in *Middlesex*, settled on his Marriage with *Dorothy* his Wife, as Part of her Jointure; he settling another Estate, of equal or greater Value, in lieu thereof; was read the Third time. Thomas' Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brotherton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendment.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to supply the Loss of certain Indentures of Lease and Release, heretofore made by *Philip Holman* Esquire, since deceased, to *George Holman* his Son, now also deceased, was read the Third time. Holman's Indentures.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Cheine* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendment.

A Bill for the more speedy and effectual determining the Right to Offices in Corporations was read the First time. Corporation Offices.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill to prevent Frauds in the Insurance of Ships and Merchandize was read a Second time. Fraudulent Insurances.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Pitfeild*, Sir *Wm. Villers*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Moor*, Sir *James Hubland*, Major *Holmes*, Sir *Robert Edon*, Colonel *Osbourne*, Sir *Wm. Scawen*, Mr. *Whitchcot*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *John Wynn*, Mr. *Sergeson*, Mr. *Cowper*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Philips*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Sir *John Packington*; and all the Merchants of the House: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Mr.



King ap-  
points to be  
attended.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That his Majesty having, according to their Order, been attended to know his Pleasure, when he would be attended by this House; his Majesty had been pleased to appoint *Saturday* next, at Four a Clock in the Afternoon, at *Kensington*.

Seizure of  
Ship *Anna*.

A Petition of *John Batcheler* Esquire, Mayor of the City of *Bristol*, and *Sir Wm. Daines* Knight, Master of the Society of Merchant Adventurers there, in behalf of themselves, and other Traders inhabiting in the said City, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Ship *Anna* of *Bristol*, of above 200 Tons, with her Cargo, of considerable Value, and several Passengers on board, bound for *Barbadoes*, put in at *Cork* in *Ireland*, to take in Beef for the Use of the Island, was seized by a Custom-house Officer there, for One of the Sailors carrying on board Ten Yards of Flannel, to make him Apparel, on Pretence of Breach thereby of the Act to prevent the Exportation of Wool out of *England* and *Ireland*, and stopped, contrary to the Intention of that Act, to the Prejudice of the Petitioners: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Bill for continuing several Laws therein mentioned is committed: And that they have Power to receive a Clause, to explain the Clause in the said Act, touching the Forfeiture of the said Ship and Goods; so that the same may not extend to any Goods under Value.

Estates given  
to supersti-  
tious Uses.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the adjourned Debate upon the First Amendment made by the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to the Use of *Greenwich* Hospital; was committed; be now resumed;

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the said adjourned Debate be resumed upon this Day sevensnight.

Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Silks.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain reversionary Annuities therein mentioned.

Members  
summoned.

Ordered, That the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do go with the Mace into *Westminster-hall*, and Court of Request, and Places adjacent, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House.

And he went accordingly.

And, being returned;

Balloting for  
Trustees for  
Irish Forfeitures.

The Clerk, and Clerk Assistant, went on each Side the House with Glasses, to receive from the Members, their Lists of Persons to be Trustees, in the Bill of *Irish* Forfeitures: And, having received the same accordingly; and the Glasses being brought, and set upon the Table;

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to examine the said Lists; and to report to the House, upon which Thirteen Persons the Majority falls:

And it is referred to *Mr. Harcourt*, *Sir Robert Dacres*, *Mr. Bridges*, Colonel *Bierly*, *Mr. Rowney*, *Mr. Freeman*, *Sir Bartho. Shower*, *Mr. Pitt*, *Sir Cha. Hotham*, *Sir Willo. Hickman*, Major *Stringer*, *Sir Wm. Coryton*, the Marquis of *Hartington*, *Sir Godfrey Copley*, *Mr. Smith*, *Mr. How*, *Sir Stephen Leonard*, *Mr. Yates*, *Sir Robert Massam*, *Sir Rowl. Gwynne*, *Mr. Conyers*, *Mr. Thurland*, Colonel *Granville*, *Mr. Robert Bertie*, *Sir Rich. Onslow*, *Mr. Gwynne*, *Mr. Crocker*, *Mr. Foley*, *Sir Walter Young*, *Sir Wm. Cook*, *Mr. Clerk*, *Mr. Cook*, *Mr. Bullock*, *Sir Jos. Tredenham*, *Mr. Harvey*, *Mr. Lowther*, *Sir John Philips*, *Mr. Vernon*, *Sir John Manwareing*,

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Lord *Wm. Pawlet*, *Mr. Compton*, *Mr. Hamond*, *Mr. Gourdon*, *Mr. Davenant*, *Mr. Tredenham*, *Sir James Houbland*, *Sir Wm. Drake*, *Sir John Poole*, Lord *Spencer*, *Sir Christopher Musgrave*: And they are immediately to withdraw into the Speaker's Chamber; and make their Report to the House with all convenient Speed.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the County Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Justices of Peace to build and repair Gaols in their respective Counties: And the same were twice read; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as followeth; viz.

3d Skin, 5 L. after "the," add "or they;" and, for "Act," read "Account."

38 L. after "any," add "Liberty."

40 L. for the Second "of," read "or."

4 Skin, 27 L. after "County," add the Proviso marked "X."

"X: Provided always, and it is hereby Enacted, That it shall not be lawful for any Collector, or other Officer, to enter into the Mansion-house of any Peer or Peeress of this Realm, to distrain for the Duties aforesaid."

Ordered, That Colonel *Bierly* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect Precedents, where Members chosen for several Places, and being absent, have, by Letters or Messages, made their Elections for which of the Places they will serve, be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday* Morning next.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for Regulating of Prisons was committed. Regulating Prisons.

And the Amendments, made by the Committee to the said Bill, being once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Message from the Lords, by *Sir John Franchlyn* and *Sir Robert Legard*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the better Suppression of Piracy, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also, Suppressing Piracy.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants, and sending them whither, by Law, they ought to be sent, without any Amendments. Also, Vagrants.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to prevent Disputes that may arise by Officers and Members of Corporations having neglected to sign the Association, and taking the Oaths, in due time, without any Amendments. Signing Association.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, at Twelve a Clock, take into Consideration the Number, Qualifications, and Manner of choosing the Commissioners for the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debt due to the Army, and for Transport Service. Commissioners of Accounts.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Trustees to make Sale of the Inheritance of the Twelfth Part of several Manors, Lands, and Tenements, of *Bluet Wallop* Esquire, during his Minority; and to purchase other Lands with the Money to be raised by such Sale Wallop's Estate.

Sale, to be settled to the same Uses as the Twelfth Part was so settled; was read the Third time:

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Colonel *Webb* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them; That this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Cowper's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting Part of the Estate of *Thomas Cowper*, of the City of *Chester*, Esquire, in Trustees, for Payment of Debts, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Shackerly* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendment.

Raising  
Militia.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for raising the Militia for the Year 1700, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Sir *Rowland Gwynne* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Sir *Rowland Gwynne* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made some Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report to the House, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Howland's  
Estate.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendment, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for taking the Estate, in Law, of several Mesuages and Lands mortgaged to *Jeffry* and *Edward Howland*, and their Heirs, out of *Wriothesly Russell*, commonly called Lord Marquis of *Turistock*, and his Lady: And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz.

In the Title, Third Line, instead of "*Edward*," read "*Samuel*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blaak* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendment.

Bone-lace,  
&c.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Franchlyn* and Sir *Robert Legard*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to repeal an Act, made in the Ninth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for rendering the Laws more effectual for preventing the Importation of Foreign Bone-Lace, Loom-lace, Needle-work, Point, and Cut-work, with an Amendment: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

The House proceeded to take the said Amendment into Consideration:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth:

1st Skin, L. 23. leave out from "*Force*," to the End of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bertie* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendment.

Tythes of  
Hemp and  
Flax.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendment, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the better ascertaining the Tythes of Hemp and Flax:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz.

Skin 2. L. 4. for "*Six*," read "*Four*."

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Mordant* do carry the Bill to

the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the said Amendment.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Henry Butler* Esquire, to make Leases of Part of his Estate in *Lancashire*, for Discharge of Incumbrances thereupon, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Shackerly* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, touching Q's and R's, be taken into Consideration upon *Monday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Employing and Relieving the Poor of the City of *London* is committed, have Power to report their Opinions upon the Petitions to them referred: And that Sir *John Cope*, Mr. *Yates*, Sir *Fra. Blaak*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Egerton*, Sir *Geo. Hungerford*, be added to the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till *Saturday* Morning, Eight a Clock.

Sabbati, 30<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

12<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming the Sale of the Manor of *Stansall*, and certain Tenements, in the County of *York*, made by *Thomas Barlow* Gentleman; and for settling other Lands, of greater Value, to the same Uses; and for vesting other Lands and Hereditaments in Trustees, to be sold, for purchasing other Lands, to be settled to the same Uses; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Godfrey Copley* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendment.

Mr. *Mompesson* reported from the Committee to whom the Bill for continuing several Laws therein mentioned was committed, That they had considered the Petition of the Mayor of *Bristol*, and others, to them referred; and had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and afterwards a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Explanation, and better Execution, of former Acts made touching Watermen and Wherry-men rowing on the River of *Thames*; and for providing One Order and Government amongst them, and also amongst the Lightermen upon the said River, between *Gravesend* and *Windsor*; was committed.

And the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill, were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House: And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the Third time upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

*Ordered*,

**Corporation  
Offices.**

Ordered, That the Bill for the more speedy and effectual determining the Right to Offices in Corporations be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next.

**Trustees for  
Irish Forfeitures.**

Sir *Wm. Coriton* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to examine the Lists of the Persons Names to be Trustees for the Bill of *Irish Forfeitures*; and report to the House, upon which Thirteen Persons the Majority fell: That they had examined the Lists accordingly; and that the Majority falls upon

<i>Francis Annesly</i> Esquire 267	<i>Sir Cyril Wyche</i> - - 158
<i>James Hamilton</i> Esquire 256	<i>John Cary</i> Gentleman 151
<i>John Baggs</i> Esquire - 212	<i>Sir Henry Sheers</i> - 149
<i>John Trenchard</i> Esquire 205	<i>Tho. Harrison</i> Esquire 140
<i>John Isham</i> Esquire 199	<i>Sir John Worden</i> - 137
<i>Henry Langford</i> Esquire 187	<i>Wm. Fellowes</i> Esquire 135
<i>James Hooper</i> Esquire 185	<i>Thomas Rawlins</i> Esquire 135

Which Two last Persons had equal Voices:

And the said Report being read at the Table;

And the House being informed by several Members thereof, That *Sir John Worden* is Baron of the Exchequer, in the County Palatine of *Chester*, by Patent, during his Life, at a yearly Salary from the Crown; and that they had seen such Patent; and therefore was not within the Qualifications directed by the House;

Resolved, That *Sir John Worden* is not capable of being a Trustee in the said Bill.

Ordered, That the said Report, as to the other Persons, do lie upon the Table until the ingrossed Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and for other necessary Occasions; be read the Third time.

The Bill was read the Third time.

And an ingrossed Clause being offered as a Rider, (a) that added to the Bill, and once read, That \* \* \* \*;

And a Motion being made, That the Clause be read a Second time;

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

Resolved, That the Debate be adjourned till *Monday*, Twelve a Clock.

**Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Silks.**

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain reversionary Annuities therein mentioned.

**Commissioners of  
Accounts.**

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, take into Consideration the Number, Qualifications, and Manner of choosing the Commissioners for the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service.

**Raising  
Militia.**

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid, was committed, be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

**Members  
make their  
Elections.**

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect Precedents, where Members chosen for several Places, and being absent, have, by Letters or Messages, made their Elections for which of the Places they will serve, be taken into Consideration upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

**Fraudulent  
Insurances.**

Ordered, That *Sir Henry Parker*, Lord *Hyde*, *Sir John Packington*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Philips*, Mr. *Gwyn*, *Sir Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Bulkly*, *Sir Cornw. Bradshaw*, *Sir Robert Clayton*, *Sir Wm. Glyn*, Mr. *Brereton*, Mr. *Rawncy*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to

(a) This is so in the Original.

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prevent Frauds in the Assurance of Ships and Merchandize is committed.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Luna*, 1° die *Aprilis*;

12° *Gulielmi Tertii*.

**PRAYERS.**

AN ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the Selling the Manor of *Fenham*, in the County of *Northumberland*, for the Payment of the Debts of *Tho. Riddell* Esquire, and *Edward Riddell* his Son; and raising Portions for the Daughters of the said *Thomas Riddell*; was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Ogle* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. *Clark* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Sale of Part of the Estate of *Charles Hore* Esquire, for Payment of his Debts; and for settling other Part, in Trust, for raising a Portion and Maintenance for *Eliz.* his only Daughter by his former Wife; and for making a Jointure for *Mary* his now Wife; and for a Provision for the Children by the said *Mary*; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the Third time Tomorrow Morning.

An ingrossed Bill for continuing several Laws therein mentioned was read the Third time. Expiring Laws.

An ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, Where Sheriffs have not made Returns of Lists of Jurors, according to an Act made in the 7th and 8th Years of his Majesty, for the Ease of Jurors, and regulating Juries, such Sheriffs may make such Returns as before the making of the said Act:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause amended: And then the Clause was read the Third time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be made Part of the Bill;

It passed in the Negative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill; Press last, L. 30th, after "Persons," to insert "or any Ship or Vessel:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for continuing several Laws therein mentioned; and for explaining the Act, intituled, An Act to prevent the Exportation of Wool out of the Kingdoms of *Ireland* and *England* into foreign Parts, and for the Encouragement of the Woollen Manufactures in the Kingdom of *England*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mompesson* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill intituled, An Act for the more effectual Suppression of Piracy. Suppressing Piracy.

And the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

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So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Clause was offered, on behalf of the Duke of Ormond:

*Resolved*, That the Clause be brought up to the Table.

The Clause was brought up; and read the First time:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Mr. Shackerly,	}	114.
	{ Mr. Cook:	}	

Tellers for the Noes,	{ Sir John Bolles,	}	76.
	{ Mr. Brotherton:	}	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Clause was read a Second time; and amended.

*Resolved*, That the Clause be read a Third time.

The Clause was read a Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Clause be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, That Dorothy Baroness Dowager of Upper Ossery may enjoy, for her Maintenance, the King's Grant of Lands, Part of her late Husband's Estate, for her Life, not exceeding 80*l.* per Annum:

And the same was thrice read.

*Resolved*, That the Clause be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider to the Bill, That Officers, or others, having taken Grants for Arrears or Debts, and released the King, shall be intitled to such Arrears and Debts:

And the same was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Clause be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, on behalf of the Earl of Clancarty's Sisters:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Sir Walter Yonge,	}	91.
	{ Mr. Onslow:	}	

Tellers for the Noes,	{ Mr. Harcourt,	}	71.
	{ Mr. Rowney:	}	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Clause was brought up, and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Clause be read a Second time.

The Clause was read a Second time, with a Blank; and the Blank was filled up.

*Resolved*, That the Clause be read a Third time.

The Clause was read the Third time; and amended.

*Resolved*, That the Clause be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, on behalf of Mrs. Wandsford:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Lord Wm. Pawlet,	}	60.
	{ Colonel Kirkby:	}	

Tellers for the Noes,	{ Mr. Brereton,	}	75.
	{ Mr. Foley:	}	

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Candles be brought in.

And they were so.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, on behalf of Mrs. Macdonnell:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Sir Henry Ashurst,	}	31.
	{ Colonel Kirkby:	}	

Tellers for the Noes,	{ Sir Robert Dashwood,	}	65.
	{ Mr. Bertie:	}	

So it passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, on behalf of Mr. Abbot:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

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It passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, on behalf of the Lord Mountjoy:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, on behalf of the Earl of Carlingford:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, on behalf of Jane Lavalline, an Infant of Five Years old, outlawed, and whose Father died before the Revolution;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, That a Sum of Money might be paid Dr. Lesly, instead of his Grant:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, on behalf of Mr. Edgworth:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Sir John Packington,	}	40.
	{ Mr. Hayes:	}	

Tellers for the Noes,	{ Mr. Herbert,	}	73.
	{ Mr. Vernon:	}	

So it passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, for Reassessing, that there might be no Deficiency in the Land Tax:

And the same was twice read; and amended:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and agreed unto by the House to be make Part of the Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, Press 2. L. 6. after "Rebellion," to insert "since the "said 13th Day of February 1688."

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Blank, Press \*, L. \*, be filled up up with the Trustees Names.

And it was so.

And another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Amendment be adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eleven a Clock.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, after the said Bill is gone through, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain reversionary Annuities therein mentioned.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, take into Consideration the Number, Qualifications, and manner of choosing the Commissioners for the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and Commissioners of the Navy, touching Q's and R's, be taken into Consideration upon Wednesday Morning next.

*Ordered*, That Sir Henry Parker, Sir Rich. Farrington, Sir John Packington, Mr. Gwyn, Sir Robert Cotton, Sir Roger, French Protestant Church in St. Martin Orgara.

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Roger Bradshaw, Lord Hide, Sir William Glyn, Sir Robert Davers, Mr. Cook, Sir John Phillips, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Rowney, Mr. Bullily, Mr. Brewer, be added to the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming a Lease of a Piece of Ground from the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish of *St. Martin's Orgars, London*, for Liberty to build a Church thereon, for the Worship and Service of God, in the *French Tongue*, according to the Usage of the Church of *England*, is committed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Martis, 2<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;*

12<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Ricarde's,  
&c. Nat.

MR. Bertie reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *John Ricarde, Jacob Dabbadie*, and others, was committed, That they made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

London Poor.

Mr. White reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better employing and relieving the Poor of the City of *London* was committed, That they had considered the Petitions of the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the several Parishes of *St. Sepulchre's, St. Andrew's Holborn, St. Bridget's alias St. Bride's*, and Part of *St. Martin's Ludgate*, in the Ward of *Farringdon without, London*, and other Inhabitants of the said Ward, being accounted a Sixth Part of the City of *London*, and Liberties thereof; and also the Petition of the Vicar, Churchwardens, and other Inhabitants, of the Parish of *Christ Church within Newgate, London*; to them referred; and heard the Petitioners; and had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the former Petition;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That it may be prejudicial to the Government of the City of *London*, in relation to the Poor, to have any separate Corporation erected within their Limits.

And, upon the latter Petition;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That nothing can be done upon the said Petition, without an Alteration of the whole Body of the Laws relating to the Poor.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Corporation  
Offices.

A Bill for the more speedy and effectual determining the Right to Offices in Corporations, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Mompesson, Sir Willoughby Hickman, Sir Barth. Shore, Sir Cha. Sidley, Mr. Harcourt, Sir Tho. Mompesson, Mr. Boscawen, Sir John Cope, Mr. Sargison, Mr. Mounsteven, Mr. Clark, Sir John Packington, Mr. Westbrooke, Mr. Yates, Sir Walter Yonge, Sir Tho. Day, Sir Robert Davers, Mr. Brewer, Mr. Hysham, Mr. Moor, Mr. Winn, Sir Geo. Hungerford, Mr. Harley, Mr. Cooper; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act

for Sale of Part of the Estate of *Charles Hore* Esquire, for Payment of his Debts; and for settling other Part, in Trust, for raising a Portion and Maintenance for *Elizabeth*, his only Daughter by his former Wife; and for making a Jointure for *Mary*, his now Wife; and for a Provision for the Children by the said *Mary*; was read the Third time,

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Clark do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendment.

An ingrossed Bill for the Explanation, and better Execution, of former Acts, made touching Watermen and Wherry-men rowing on the River of *Thames*; and for providing One Order and Government amongst them, and also amongst the Lightermen upon the said River, between *Gravesend* and *Windsor*; was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, That the Bill shall not extend to hinder the Watermen of the Parish of *St. Margaret's, Westminster*, from plying cross the *Thames* on *Sundays*, as usually; and the Money earned thereby is to be employed for the Use of poor, aged, decayed, and maimed Watermen, and their Widows, of the said Parish:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause amended:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Explanation, and better Execution, of former Acts, made touching Watermen and Wherry-men rowing on the River of *Thames*; and for the better ordering and governing the said Watermen, Wherry-men, and Lightermen, upon the said River, between *Gravesend* and *Windsor*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Mompesson do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Sir Richard Onslow reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to draw up Reasons, to be offered at a Conference with the Lords, touching the Amendment, made by their Lordships, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for taking away the Duties upon the Woollen Manufactures, Corn, Grain, Bread, Biscuit, and Meal, exported, That they had drawn up Reasons accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were twice read; and agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

The Commons cannot agree to the Amendment, made by your Lordships, to the said Bill, Press the 2d, L. 38. by Leaving out these Words, "or other sooner Determination, except for Nonpayment of Rent within Three Months after the same becomes due and payable;" because all Grants of Offices or Duties, from the Crown, are subject to other Determinations than by Effluxion of Time, or for Nonpayment of Rent: And though the Commons may think it reasonable, to leave the Grants of the Subsidies, and Aulnage Duties, in the same Condition they are now in; yet cannot consent to continue the said Subsidies and Duties after the Patentees Interest therein shall be determined; whereas the Amendment, made by your Lordships, seems to continue the said Duties during the Term mentioned in the said Grants, though the Right and Interest of the Patentees should be legally determined before the Expiration of that Term.

*Ordered*, That Sir Richard Onslow do go to the Lords, and desire a Conference upon the Subject-matter of the said Amendment.

Sir Rowland Gwyn reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent Frauds in the Insurance of Ships and Merchandize was committed, That they had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same

Hore's  
Estate.

Thames  
Watermen.

Woollen  
Manufac-  
tures, &c.

Conference  
desired with  
Lords.

Fraudulent  
Insurances.

same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Motion being made, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed;

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

*Resolved*, That the Debate be adjourned till Tomorrow Morning.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Robert Legard and Sir Richard Holford:

Mr. Speaker,

Dover  
Harbour.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Repair of *Dover* Harbour, without any Amendment: Also,

Governors of  
Plantations.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to punish Governors of Plantations in this Kingdom, for Crimes by them committed in the Plantations, without any Amendment.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Members  
make their  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect Precedents where Members chosen for several Places, and being absent, have, by Letters or Messages, made their Elections for which of the said Places they will serve, be taken into Consideration upon *Friday* Morning next; and nothing to intervene.

Committee  
of Privileges.

*Ordered*, That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, which were ordered to be made this Day, be made upon *Friday* Morning next, after the said Report is considered; and nothing to intervene.

Woollen  
Manufactures,  
&c.

Sir Richard Onslow reported to the House, That he having, according to their Order, been at the Lords, to desire a Conference upon the Subject-matter of the Amendment, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for taking away the Duties upon the Woollen Manufactures, Corn, Grain, Bread, Biscuit, and Meal, exported, the Lords do agree to a Conference accordingly; and do appoint the same presently, in the Painted Chamber.

*Ordered*, That the Committee who drew up the Reasons, do manage the said Conference.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And, being returned;

Sir Richard Onslow reported the Conference; and that they had given the Lords the Reasons for disagreeing to the said Amendment; and left the Bill, and Amendment, with the Lords.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Amendment proposed to be made to the Bill for the applying all the forfeited Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and all Grants thereof, and of the Rents and Revenues belonging to the Crown, within that Kingdom, since the 13th Day of February 1688, to the Use of the Publick; and for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for maintaining his Majesty's Navy, Guards, and Garrisons, and towards paying the Debts due to Seamen, and other necessary Occasions; which was \* \* \* \* :

Press 20. L. 14. After "same," to insert "in Sterling Money, as such Money is valued in *England*:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

Then other Amendments were severally proposed to be made to the Bill; viz.

Press 21. L. 18. to leave out "immediately."

Press 21. L. 30. to leave out "said;" and to leave out "August," and insert "November 1700."

Press 22. L. 9. after "same," to insert "in Sterling Money, as such Money is valued in *England*."

Press 30. L. last but Five, to leave out "or times hereafter," and to insert "before the Sale or Sales of such Premises."

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Press 32. L. 24. after "Officers," to insert "of the Hospitals, and the Officers."

L. 25. after "whereupon," to insert "and certain Arrears due to Clothiers."

Press 33. L. 9. after "Transport Service," to insert "and for Cloathing."

Press 33. L. \* , after "Officers," to add "and Cloathing."

Press 38. L. 22. to leave out "or other Places of Divine Worship."

Press 41. L. 5. to insert "in case the said Thomas Earl of *Limerick* make no Claim, as aforesaid, thereunto within the time limited by this Act."

Press 42. L. \* , before "John," to leave out "the said."

Press 83. L. \* , to leave out "be," and insert "by."

Press 102. L. \* , after "or," to insert "the High Treasurer."

And the said several Amendments were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for granting An Aid to his Majesty, by Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and by a Land Tax in *England*, for the several Purposes therein mentioned.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Conyers do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Resolved*, That the Lady Dorothy Bourk, the only Protestant Child of the Earl of *Clanriccard*, be recommended to his Majesty, as a proper Object of his Majesty's Compassion and Bounty. Lady Bourk recommended to the King.

*Ordered*, That the same be done by such Members of this House, as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Supply Bill; the whole House, to whom the Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain reversionary Annuities therein mentioned; is committed; That they do receive a Clause of Appropriation. Duties on Silks.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to take off the Duties upon Lace, made in *England*, exported.

The House took into Consideration the Number, Qualifications, and Manner of choosing the Commissioners for the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debt due to the Army, and for Transport Service. Commissioners of Accounts.

*Resolved*, That the Number of the said Commissioners be Five.

*Resolved*, That no Person be a Commissioner in the said Bill, who hath any Office of Profit, or is accountable to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That no Member of this House be a Commissioner in the said Bill.

*Resolved*, That no Person who hath been, or is, an Agent, be a Commissioner in the said Bill.

*Resolved*, That the said Commissioners be chosen by way of Balloting.

*Ordered*, That the Members of the House do, by *Friday* Morning next, at Twelve a Clock, prepare Lists, to put into Glasses, of Five Persons Names, to be Commissioners in the said Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Supply Bill; Committee of the whole House, on the Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain reversionary Annuities therein mentioned. Duties on Silks.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Mercurii, 3° die Aprilis;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Bourges', &c.  
Nat.

THE House took into Consideration the Amendments made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act to Naturalize *John Bourges*, and others:

And the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz. \* \* \* \*

\* \* That Sir *Robert Cotton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments.

Janson's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Sale of the Estate of *Bryan Janson* Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts, and Provisions for his Wife and Children, was read the Third time.

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

Raising  
Militia.

An ingrossed Bill for raising the Militia for the Year 1700, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced be not repaid, was read the Third time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, Press \*, L. \*, to insert "Month's Pay:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for raising the Militia for the Year 1700, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Fraudulent  
Insurances.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate of Yesterday, upon the Bill to prevent Frauds in the Insurance of Ships and Merchandize: And some Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That in case any Insurer shall fail in his Credit, before the Arrival of the Ship or Goods insured, such failing Insurer may re-assure the Sum or Sums so insured:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Estates given  
to supersti-  
tious Uses.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to the Use of *Greenwich* Hospital; be re-committed, upon the Debate of the House, to the same Committee, to whom the same was committed: And that the Committee have Leave to sit To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That

his Majesty had been pleased to appoint to be attended by this House To-morrow, at Four a Clock in the After-noon, at *Kensington*. The King appoints to be attended.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain rever-sionary Annuities therein mentioned. Supply Bill; Duties on Silks.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning at Eleven a Clock.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Edw. Hungerford*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Bullock*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Lewis*, Mr. *Whitchurch*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Woollaston*, Mr. *Hunt*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to the Use of *Greenwich* Hospital; is committed. Estates given to superstitious Uses.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Jovis, 4° die Aprilis;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

AN ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Naturalizing *John Ricard*, *Jacob Dabbadie*, and others, was read the Third time. Ricard's, &c. Nat.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bertie* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Mr. *Tredenham* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming a Lease of a Piece of Ground from the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish of *St. Martin Orgars*, *London*, for Liberty to build a Church thereon, for the Worship and Service of God, in the *French* Tongue, was committed, That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that they had considered the Petition to them referred, and heard the Petitioners thereupon; and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Table. French Protestant Church in St. Martin Orgars.

And the Bill was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tredenham* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendment.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate of Yesterday, upon the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Sale of the Estate of *Brian Janson* Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts, and Provisions for his Wife and Children. Janson's Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Manwaring* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendment.

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Fraudulent  
Insurances.

An ingrossed Bill to prevent Frauds in the Insurance of Ships and Merchandize, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, That \* \* \* \*:

And the Clause was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up: And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House, to be made Part of the Bill.

Then several Amendments were proposed to be made to the Bill; viz.

Press \*, L. \*, to insert "Pounds:"

Press \*, L. \*, to insert "Pounds:"

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House: And the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill do pass;

It passed in the Negative.

Exporting  
Wool.

A Petition of *Walter Devereux* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner finds by the Votes of this House, that several Petitions have been presented to the House, complaining of the Exportation of Wool, to the great Decay of the Woollen Manufacture; desiring the Consideration of the House, in order to prevent the same for the future: That the Petitioner hath been concerned in hindering the Exportation of Wool; and hath, as he conceives, found out a Method for preventing the same: And praying, That such Order may be given therein, as shall seem most for the publick Good of the Trade of this Nation.

Ordered, That it be recommended to the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury, to examine the Matter of the said Petition, and hear the Petitioner thereupon.

Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Silks.

Ordered, That Leave be given to offer a Clause, upon the Report of the Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain reversionary Annuities therein mentioned, for Liberty to import Cowries, for a certain time, for the purchasing Negroes upon the Coast of *Africa*.

Exorbitant  
Charge by a  
Solicitor  
respecting a  
Petition.

A Complaint being made to the House of an exorbitant and scandalous Bill of Charges, delivered in by one *Thomas Rogers*, a Solicitor to the Gunners of *Portsmouth*, in respect of a Petition of theirs, presented to the House the last Session of Parliament, highly reflecting, in divers Articles thereof, upon the Honour of the House, and the Proceedings thereof; and the House being further informed, That the said *Rogers* threatens to sue the Petitioners at Law for the said Demands;

Ordered, That the said *Thomas Rogers* be, for the said Offence, sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

Expiring  
Laws.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for continuing several Laws therein mentioned; and for explaining the Act, intituled, An Act to prevent the Exportation of Wool, out of the Kingdoms of *Ireland* and *England*, into foreign Parts; and for the Encouragement of the Woollen Manufactures in the Kingdom of *England*, without any Amendment. Also,

Thames  
Watermen.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Explanation, and better Execution, of former Acts, made touching Watermen and Wherry-men rowing on the River of *Thames*; and for the better ordering and governing the said Watermen, Wherry-men, and Lightermen, upon the said River, between *Gravesend* and *Windsor*; without any Amendment.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to

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whom the Petition of the Commissioners appointed by Act of Parliament, for preventing the Exportation of Wool, &c. and other Petitions touching the Exportation of Wool, were referred, be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

A Petition of *Richard Burdet*, *Isaac Betts*, and several others, was offered to be presented to the House.

The bringing  
up a Petition  
negated.

And the Question being put, That the Petition be brought up to the Table;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Brotherton, } 67.  
                                  { Mr. Perry: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Tho. Wagstaffe, } 80.  
                                  { Colonel Mountague: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for laying further Duties on wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain reversionary Annuities, therein mentioned; was committed; the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Silks.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That, for the Purchasing of Negroes in *Africa*, it shall be lawful to import Cowries, there being none at present in *England*, paying the Duties as if imported from *East India*; and to have the same Drawback upon Exportation:

And the same was once read.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Scobell, } 46.  
                                  { Mr. Blaake: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Tho. Cook, } 47.  
                                  { Mr. Moor: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That the Commissioners of the Treasury shall pay, out of the Money appropriated to the Use of the Navy, for the Year 1700, the Sum of , towards discharging Part of the Debt due for sick and wounded Seamen:

And the same was twice read with a Blank; and the Blank was filled up: And then the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Veneris, 5<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;

12<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

THE Lord *Cornbury* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Isaac de la Garde*, *John Batero*, and others, was committed, That they had made several Amendments thereunto: which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz. \* \* \* \*

De la Garde's  
&c. Nat.

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And







Captain *Wright* said, That Captain *Stone* came into the Harbour with a Fireship, which drew Eleven Foot Water, at the time of *Beachy-head* Fight.

That the Hindrance of restoring it to the Depth of Water, as formerly, is the having so many Flood-gates: And that it is a very advantageous Harbour: And that there is no other Harbour to secure our Ships betwixt the *Nesse* and *Portsmouth*, which is about a Hundred Miles:

That when he went and viewed the said Flood-gates, he found they took away the Strength of the Water from the Harbour, and hindered the Efflux and Reflux of the Tide; which has caused the Harbour to be choaked up:

That the *St. Andrew* has rid there in 21 Foot Water:

That it lies very useful to receive Ships that come from *Haverdegrace* and *Diep*: That many a Ship would come in there, if there was Depth of Water: And that it is a very convenient Port for Ships to put in and clean, which they might do in Two Days, and put to Sea again.

*Robert Cullpepper* said, That before any Stops were made, Ships went up to *Blackwall*; and that those Stops did much damage to the Harbour of *Rye*, so that, in a little time, the whole Harbour would be stopped up:

That if the Flood-gates and Cross-walls were taken away, it would be as formerly; and that the nearer they come to the Harbour with Stops, the worse it is:

That he has seen Four Ships put in there, of about 60 Tons each, without Anchor and Cable.

*Mark Cheswell* said, That he was born at *Rye*: He has known the Harbour 45 Years, and that it was, at that Time, a very good Harbour; and can remember when there could ride a Hundred Sail of Ships in the Harbour:

That he has known about 45 Years since, it being in *Oliver Cromwell's* Time, Ships ride against the Town of *Rye* at Low-water, then having Two Fathom and half Water:

That in the late War with the *French* it was much better than now; and that 20 Sail of Ships might come and ride within half a Mile of the Town:

That the last War, a Mile within the Harbour at High-water in the said Point, there was Eleven Foot Water:

That the Cause of the Decay of the Harbour, is the making Cross-ways and Flood-gates cross the River *Appledore*, and Chanel through *Wittersham* Level:

That he can remember a Ship of a Hundred Tons, built at *Appledore*, being Six Miles above the Town, about Forty-five or Forty-six Years since:

That he knows not how long it is since the First Stop was made:

That Stops were made at *Blackwall*, about the Year 1646:

That, about Seventeen or Eighteen Years ago, he was, with his Hoy of Sixty Tons, which drew Nine Foot Water, as high as *Blackwall*, and hath unloaded there:

That the last Stop was made about Four or Five Years ago; and that all Sullage that comes in, rebounds back, and settles in the Harbour, and so choakes it up:

That one Captain *Cadman* went up to *Stone*, in the Isle of *Orney*, with a Ship of a Hundred Ton, and loaded there:

That he can remember a *Dutch* Man of War, of 40 Guns, came in there, and rid afloat, and loaded Guns there:

That at Spring Tides it flows Four Fathom, and at Low-water not above a Foot and half, Two Miles without the Town, being a Flat.

*William Cheswell* said, That he can remember a Stop made about Five Years ago, and also of his Father's Hoy going up to *Blackwall*, and of her drawing Nine Foot Water; and that *William Kirby* was Master of the said Hoy:

And that he can remember Two or Three Fireships coming there at the time of the *Beachy-head* Fight.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to the Resolutions following; viz.

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*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Petitioners have fully proved the Allegations of their Petition.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Cross-walls, Stops, and Flood-gates, set up in the River of *Rother*, and Chanel through *Wittersham* Level; and innning the said River and Chanel, and making Land of the same; and likewise Inning of Sea Wasts, which draw a constant Influx and Efflux, to scour the Harbour of *Rye*, have wholly hindered the Navigation of the said River and Chanel, and are the Cause of stopping up the said Harbour.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That if the Stops in the Chanel through *Wittersham* Level shall be taken away, and Inside-walls made on both Sides of the Chanel, that it will restore the ancient Navigation of the River *Rother*, and make the Harbour of *Rye* a good Harbour again.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned until *Wednesday* Morning next.

Mr. *Rayner* reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Frame-work-knitters, inhabiting within the Counties of *Nottingham*, and *Leicester*, and *Derby*, and other Counties adjacent, and within the Town, and County of the Town, of *Nottingham*, on the behalf of themselves, and other Members of the said Trade, was committed, the Matter, as it appeared to them, upon hearing the Petitioners, and the Company of Frame-work-knitters; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Benjamin Green* said, That the Company had their Charter granted them in the Year 1663:

That the Company obliges every Man, after he hath served his Apprenticeship, to come to *London*, though never so far distant, to take up his Freedom; the Charge whereof is computed at Five Pounds, otherwise he cannot take an Apprentice, which is a very great Prejudice to the poor Men of the said Trade: And that he knew one *Trueman*, who came up to *London* upon that Account, ruined by the Expence, and not able to return back again into the Country:

That, upon the Binding of an Apprentice, they pay to the Company in the Whole, 1*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*:

That each Man, upon his Admittance into the said Company, pays 15*s.* and 6*d.* a Quarter:

That they elect Two Persons to be Stewards in Town, and Two in the Country; and, if they do not come up, they fine them 10*l.*:

That they chose one *Thomas Godfry* a Steward; who not complying, they sued him in the City, and got Judgment for 14*l.*; and put him in Prison for it: And the Money was paid by Collection of the Trade; he being so poor, that he could not pay it himself:

That they take 6*d.* a Quarter of every Person using the Trade, without rendering any Account; which amounts to 300*l.* per Annum; and would maintain their Poor, if applied to that Use:

That the Company chose him Steward, and summoned him to make a Feast; but he refusing, they fined him 10*l.*; and brought their Action in *London*, which put him to 50*l.* Charge:

That they have prosecuted several for their Fines, to their great Prejudice; though, upon several Arguments in the Common Pleas, the By-law was over-ruled, and held illegal; notwithstanding which they have chose others since.

*James Shaw* said, They forced him to come to *London*, to take up his Freedom, which cost about 29*s.*; and, together with the Charge of coming up, amounted to 5*l.*; and he was forced to work Half a Year to get it up again:

That

That he paid 15s. for his Admittance, and pays 6d. per Quarter.

*Edward Staples* said, They forced him to come up to *London*, to take up his Freedom; and took 13s. 4d. for his Admittance, and 1l. 2s. 6d. for binding an Apprentice:

That he pays 6d. per Quarter.

*Gregory Willmott* said, That the Company having chose him Steward, he came up, and met the Master; who asked him, Whether he would fine? He answered, He could not tell till he knew his Partner: And, asking who he was, the Master refused to tell him; saying, He would have him fine; but he refused:

That he provided a Dinner, and went to the Hall; but the same was shut up, and nobody there to eat it; nor a Room to eat it in:

That there are 2,000 Persons, at least, in the Country, that pay 6d. per Quarter to the Company.

*Mr. Roby Sherwin* said, That the Company sued one *Godfry* for not standing Steward, after he was elected by them:

That they choose new Stewards every Year, and fine them 10l.; and, if they do not pay it, they sue them for it.

The Master, Wardens, and Assistants, appeared; and produced their Charter: By which it appeared, That King *Charles* the 2d, by his Letters Patents, bearing Date the 19th Day of August, in the 15th Year of his Reign, did ordain, That the Frame-work-knitters should be one Body Politick and Corporate, by the Name of the Master, Wardens, Assistants, and Society, of the Art or Mystery of Frame-work-knitters of the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, and Kingdom of *England*, and Dominion of *Wales*: And thereby did authorize the said Master, Wardens, and Assistants, yearly, upon the Feast of *St. John the Baptist*, to elect and choose One Master and Two Wardens; and also, at the same Feast, to elect and choose Assistants when, and so oft as, there should be any Vacancy: And did also empower the said Master, Wardens, and Assistants, and their Successors, to make Orders for the Rule and Government of the said Master, Wardens, Assistants, and Society, in their several Offices, Function, and Business, touching and concerning the said Society; so as that the said By-laws were not unreasonable, and against the Laws of the Land: And did also empower the said Master, Wardens, and Assistants, under their Common Seal, to make Deputies; which Deputies shall have full Power and Authority, in such Place or Places, within the Kingdom of *England*, and Dominion of *Wales*, where such Deputy shall live, and within such Compass as in their Deputation shall be limited, to rule and govern all Persons using the said Art, according to the Powers in the said Letters Patents before expressed; and according to such By-laws as the said Master, Wardens, and Assistants, shall, from time to time, make, in as ample Manner, to all Intents and Purposes, as the said Master, Wardens, and Assistants might do, by virtue of the said Letters Patents, within the said Cities of *London* and *Westminster*.

As to the First thing complained of; they said, That they did force such as were Apprentices to Freemen of *London* to come up to *London*, before they would admit him into their Company; though they lived never so far off:

That Persons free of their Trade are not obliged to be free of the City of *London*; and that they cannot make any free of the said City of *London* by their Charter, they being no Company thereof.

As to the 2d thing complained of; they did allow, That they take 15s. for the Admittance of any Person into their said Company: And, for their Justification, produced a By-law, which did oblige to pay, to the Company, 10s. in lieu of a Silver Spoon; 2s. to the Clerk of the Company; 1s. to the Beadle, and 2s. for the King's Duty; and that, if any one refuse to pay this Money, he shall forfeit 30s. to the Use of the Company.

As to the 3d thing complained of; they did also admit of the taking of the 1l. 2s. 6d.: And said, the Particulars were as follow; viz. 10s. to the Company, in lieu of a Proof-piece; 3s. 6d. to the Clerk of the Company, for Inrolling; 1s. to the Beadle; 1s. 6d. to the Company, according to the Statute of *Hen. the VIIIth*; 6d. for Parchment; the King's Duty, 2s.; and, by the Orphans Act, 2s. 6d.

As to the 4th thing complained of; they admitted the taking the 2s. 6d.: And said, It was pursuant to the Orphans Act; and that they took it of every one, though they were not bound to Freemen of *London*.

As to the 5th thing complained of; they pretended, That, by one of their By-laws, they had a Power to elect Two Persons, living in the Country, to be Stewards, to make the Company a Treat upon Michaelmas-day; and, upon Refusal, to forfeit 10l.; though the Company did never attend the Lord Mayor on that Day.

As to the 6th thing complained of; they justified the Taking of it by virtue of a By-law, which did oblige all Persons to contribute a proportionable Sum of Money towards the obtaining of their Charter, as any other things necessary for the well-being of the Company; provided that such Person or Persons be equally rated according to their Degree, Quality, and Condition; but no mention is there made of any Sum in particular: But denied, That the same amounted to near so much as in the Petition: And that they think 6d. a Quarter very moderate.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till *Wednesday* Morning next.

A Petition of *James Gardner*, committed Prisoner to the Gatehouse by this House, for inciting the Rabble against the Members of this House the 27th of February last, was presented to the House, and read; humbly acknowledging his Offence, and begging Pardon for the same: And praying, in regard of his Poverty, and Charge of his Wife and Children, to be discharged of his Confinement.

Privilege—  
A Person  
petitions for  
Discharge.

Ordered, That the Keeper of the Gatehouse do bring the said *James Gardner* to the Bar of this House upon *Monday* Morning next, in order to his being discharged of his said Imprisonment.

*Mr. Harcourt* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect the Lists of Commissioners Names, for the Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service; and report upon which Five Persons the Majority fell; That they had inspected the same accordingly; and that the Majority falls upon

Commissioners of  
Accounts.

<i>Thomas Morrice</i> , of <i>London</i> , Merchant	-	167.
<i>Samuel Atkins</i> , of <i>London</i> , Esquire	-	148.
<i>Thomas Morrice</i> , of <i>Coleby</i> , in the County of <i>Lincolne</i> , Esquire	-	108.
<i>William Farrar</i> , of <i>Bidenham</i> , in the County of <i>Bedford</i> , Esquire	-	104.
<i>George Langton</i> , of <i>Langton</i> , in the County of <i>Lincoln</i> , Esquire	-	102.

Ordered, That the said Report do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read the Third time.

The Clerk of the House, Serjeant at Arms, Clerk Assistant, and other Clerks and Officers of the House, having served with great Diligence and Fidelity; and being but slenderly provided for;

Clerk of the  
House, Ser-  
jeant at  
Arms, &c.

Resolved, That the said Clerk of the House, Serjeant at Arms, Clerk Assistant, and other Clerks and Officers, be humbly recommended to his Majesty, That they may have competent Salaries, answerable to their Trusts and Services, settled upon them.

Ordered, That the said Recommendation be made by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

A Petition

Transport  
Debt

A Petition of *John Degrave* and *Francis Minshall*, in behalf of themselves and others, Owners of the Ships taken up by the Transport . . . to carry Provisions to *Newfoundland*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners upon the Refusal of other Merchants, did contract with the Commissioners for Transportation, in July 1697, to carry Provisions to *Newfoundland*, to preserve the Country from starving; and were to be paid out of that Year's Funds: And the Petitioners performed their Contract, as, by the Accounts stated by the said Commissioners, whom, as also, the Commissioners of the Treasury, the Petitioners have solicited, but can obtain no Satisfaction for what is due to them: And praying, That the said Debt may be stated with the *Irish* Transport Debt, in order to the Payment thereof.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Half-pay.

Resolved, That all the Officers, who have been added to the List of Half-pay this Session of Parliament, be paid their Half-pay from *Michaelmas* 1697.

Naval Pay  
and Half-  
pay.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, That he will please to take into his Consideration the Scheme of an Establishment, which was prepared by his Majesty's Directions, and laid before his Majesty by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, for retrenching the Double Pay of the Officers of the Fleet, and their Half-pay ashore; and to settle the same, with the Allowance of Servants to the Officers at Sea, according to the ancient Practice of the Navy.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

De la  
Garde's, &c.  
Nat.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Isaac de la Garde*, *John Batero*, and others. Also,

Woollen  
Manu-  
factures, &c.

The Lords do not insist on their Amendment made to the Bill, intituled, An Act for taking away the Duties upon the Woollen Manufactures, Corn, Grain, Bread, Biscuit, and Meal exported.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

An ingrossed Bill for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, That no Redemption of Debts, sold by Officers and others, shall be allowed, unless the Party claiming shall enter a *Memorandum* of such Claim, in the Lord Mayor's Court, by a certain time:

And the same was twice read with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up: And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House, to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, That the Commissioners shall state the Accounts of Money due for Transport Service, not already adjusted by Act of Parliament; whose Determination shall be final:

And the same was twice read with a Blank; and the Blank was filled up; and the Clause amended: And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, . . . . unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, That the Commissioners shall deduct One Day's Pay in each Regiment, Troop, and Company, in each Year, for the Service of *Chelsea* College; and make Debentures for the same to the Paymaster of the Forces, to be applied for purchasing any of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, for the Benefit of the said College:

And the same was twice read with a Blank; and the Blank was filled up: And then the Clause was read the

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Third time; and upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, That the Commissioners shall take an Account, upon Oath, of all Ships and Goods taken as Prizes during the late War; and how the same have been disposed of; and, at the Determination of the Act, lay the same before the King, and both Houses of Parliament:

And the same was twice read with a Blank; and the Blank was filled up: And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, That the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures shall, at the next Session of Parliament, and as often as required, give an Account, in Writing, of their Proceedings, to the King, and both Houses of Parliament:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered as a Rider, relating to *London-derry*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*:

And the same was once read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That the Blank in the Bill, Press \*, L \*, be filled up with the Commissioners Names.

And the same was filled up accordingly.

Then several Amendments were severally proposed to be made to the Bill; viz.

Pr. 1. L. \*. after "Officers," to insert "and Engineers:"

Pr. 1. L. 31. after "Nine," to insert "and for Waggon-money in their Marches in *England*, and Fire and Candle, according to the Establishment:"

Pr. 3. L. \*, after "Officers," to insert, "Engineers and Gunners aforesaid:"

L. \*, the same Amendment:

Pr. 4. L. 29. to leave out "the said," and insert "this" instead thereof:

Pr. 5. L. last but one, to leave out "over and above," and insert "as well as" instead thereof:

Pr. 6. L. 28. to leave out "said:"

L. \*, to leave out "One whole Year," and insert "*per Annum*:"

L. \*, after "Oath," to insert "and such Witnesses as shall be produced upon Oath:"

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War.

Ordered, That Sir *Godfrey Copley* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Lunæ, 8° die Aprilis;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

MR. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That he having presented an Address to his Majesty, concerning Captain *Kidd*; his Majesty had commanded him to acquaint the House, That his Majesty having received an Account of the Arrival of Captain *Kidd* in the Isle of *Lundy*, by a Ship which the Lords of the Admiralty had sent to fetch him, which was bound for the *Downes*; his Majesty had ordered a Yacht to be sent to the *Downes*, in order for the bringing him up: And that the Commissioners of the Admiralty were likewise directed to send their Marshal to take him into his Custody.

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Ordered,

Irish  
Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That the Report made to this House, from the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the *Irish* Forfeitures, this Session of Parliament, be printed: And that Mr. Speaker do appoint the Printer: And that no other do presume to print the same.

*Ordered*, That the Two Resolutions of the 18th of January last, relating to the forfeited and other Estates in *Ireland*, be reprinted with the said Report.

*Ordered*, That the Resolution of the Fourth of April 1690, relating to the forfeited Estates, be also printed with the said Report.

*Ordered*, That his Majesty's most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament the 5th of January 1690, be also printed with the said Report.

*Ordered*, That an humble Address of this House to his Majesty the 15th of February last, and his Majesty's Answer thereunto the 26th of the same February, and the Resolution of this House thereupon, be also reprinted with the said Report.

Grants from  
the Crown.

*Resolved*, That the procuring or passing exorbitant Grants, by any Member now of the Privy Council, or by any other that has been a Privy Counsellor in this or any former Reign, to his own Use or Benefit, is a high Crime and Misdemeanor.

A Person re-  
primanded  
and dis-  
charged.

The House being informed, That the Keeper of the *Gatehouse* attended, according to Order, with *James Gardner*; the said *James Gardner* was brought to the Bar by the Serjeant: Where the said *James Gardner*, upon his Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker.

*Ordered*, That the said *James Gardner* be discharged of his Imprisonment in the *Gatehouse*, first giving Bail to answer the Prosecution directed by this House.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Baron *Powys* and Mr. Baron *Hatsell*:

Mr. Speaker,

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to his Majesty, by Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*; and by a Land Tax in *England*, for the several Purposes therein mentioned; with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ditto;  
Lords  
Amend-  
ments.

The House proceeded to take the said Amendments into Consideration: And the same were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

3d Press, L. 23, after "notwithstanding," add the Proviso marked A.

At the End of the Rider which comes in after the Word "made," in the last Line of the 42d Press, insert the Clauses marked B and C.

100 Press, 12 L. leave out from "Term," to "and," in the 8th Line of the 101st Press.

Clause A: "Provided, That nothing in this Act shall be construed to vest in the said Trustees any other Powers, Interests, or Estates, as to Estates in Tail, of any of the Forfeitures in *Ireland* by this Act vested in them, than the King has, or may have at any time before the last Day of *Trinity* Term, 1700."

Clause B: "Provided always, and be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That no Grant of any Manors, Lands or Tenements, Sum or Sums of Money, to any Person or Persons in this Act before-mentioned, shall take any Effect, or vest any Estate or Interest in any of the said Persons, until the King's most Excellent Majesty shall, by his Letters Patents, under the Great Seal of *Ireland*, grant such Manors, Lands, or Tenements, Sum or Sums of Money, to such Person or Persons, and for such Estate and Interest, as are herein before particularly named or mentioned."

Clause C: "Provided always, That nothing in this Act shall be construed to confirm the Outlawry of any Person who was not outlawed till after his Death."

The First Amendment being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Lords in the said Amendment:

It passed in the Negative, *Nemine contradicente*.

The Second Amendment being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Lords in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative, *Nemine contradicente*.

The Third Amendment being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Lords in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative, *Nemine contradicente*.

*Resolved*, That a Conference be desired with the Lords, upon the Subject-matter of the said Amendments. Conference desired with Lords.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at the said Conference:

And it is referred to Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Boyle*, Sir *Chr. Musgrove*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Lord *Hartington*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *How*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Conyers*, Lord *Spencer*, Lord *Cavendish*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Cook*, Sir *Edw. Seymour*, Mr. *Dormer*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Hare*, Mr. *Osborne*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Mr. *Pagitt*, Sir *John Bolles*, Colonel *Norton*, Sir *William Blacket*, Sir *Rowland Gwynn*: And they are to withdraw into the Speaker's Chambers; and make their Report with all convenient Speed.

Sir *Edward Seymour* reported from the said Committee, That they had drawn up Reasons to be offered at the said Conference; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; *viz.*

The Commons cannot agree to the Amendments, made by your Lordships, to this Bill; For that all Aids and Supplies, granted to his Majesty in Parliament, are the sole and intire Gift of the Commons: And as all Bills for the granting such Aids and Supplies begin with the Commons, so it is the undoubted and sole Right of the Commons to direct, limit, and appoint, in such Bills, the Ends and Purposes, Considerations, Limitations, and Qualifications, of such Grants; which ought not to be changed or altered by your Lordships.

This is well known to be such a fundamental Right of the Commons, that to give Reasons for it, has been esteemed, by our Ancestors, to be a Weakening of that Right.

The Commons therefore leave the Bill, and the Amendments, with your Lordships; together with the ill Consequences that may attend the not passing this Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Lord Marquis of *Hartington* do go to the Lords, and desire the said Conference.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, proceed in the further Consideration of the Report of the Commissioners for inquiring into the forfeited Estates of *Ireland*. Irish Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That a List of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council be laid before this House upon *Wednesday* Morning next. List of Privy Council.

*Ordered*, That all the Members of this House, who are in Town, do attend the Service of this House upon *Wednesday* Morning next, upon Pain of incurring the utmost Displeasure of this House. Members in Town to attend.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Martis, 9° die Aprilis;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

*ORDERED*, That the Address of the House of Commons, of the Fourth of March 1692, and his Majesty's gracious Answer thereunto, of the Tenth of the same March, be Address and Answer, 1692.



be printed with the Report from the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the *Irish* Forfeitures.

Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Silks.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. *Meredeth* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for laying further Duties upon wrought Silks, Muslins, and some other Commodities of the *East Indies*; and for enlarging the Time for purchasing certain reversionary Annuities therein mentioned; without any Amendment.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax,  
and Irish  
Forfeitures.

The Lord Marquis of *Hartington* reported to the House, That he having, according to their Order, been at the Lords, to desire a Conference upon the Subject-matter of the Amendments, made by their Lordships, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to his Majesty, by Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*; and by a Land Tax in *England*, for the several Purposes therein mentioned; the Lords do agree to a Conference; and appoint the same presently, in the Painted Chamber.

Ordered, That the Committee who drew up the Reasons for the said Conference, do manage the Conference.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned;

Conference  
with Lords.

Sir *Edward Seymour* reported the Conference; and that they had given the Lords the Reasons for disagreeing to their Lordships Amendments; and left the Bill and Amendments with the Lords.

Privilege.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to the Committee, upon the Complaint of a Breach of Privilege against *Christopher Lister* Esquire, by Sir *Bazil Firebrasse*, and others, arresting *Edward Chandler*, a menial Servant, and Under-keeper of the Walk, of the said Mr. *Lister*; and the Resolution of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

That the Matter of Fact was opened by the Counsel to be thus;

That, upon the 7th of May last, the said *Edward Chandler* was taken up in *Enfield Chase* by 15 or 16 Men, upon Pretence of Deer-stealing, and carried to Sir *Baz. Firebrasse* his House, and there examined; and, after having been carried to several Places, he was at last brought to the *St. John's Head* Tavern in *Chancery Lane*, where he was examined by the Recorder of *London*, and convicted of Deer-stealing, and by him committed to *Newgate*: That he was discharged from his Imprisonment by the Court of King's Bench, being brought before the Court by *Habeas Corpus*; and was afterwards, viz. on the 1st Day of January last, taken up for the said Offence, and again committed to *Newgate* by Mr. Justice *Monday*; and in like manner, again discharged by the Court of King's Bench: And to prove the whole Matter, but especially the first Taking up of the said *Edward Chandler*, which, they alleged, was without a Warrant or Officer, the Counsel for Mr. *Lister* would have examined the said *Edward Chandler* himself; which they insisted upon to be reasonable in this Case, he neither being to get nor lose by any Examination of the Committee; and for the Necessity of this Sort of Proof, in this Case, the Matter not being capable of being proved otherwise.

On the contrary, the Counsel for the Persons complained of insisted, That he ought not to be admitted a Witness in this Case, having been convicted twice for so great an Offence as Deer-stealing; and for that his Evidence would tend to justify himself against the Convictions; and therefore that he would be concerned in the Consequence, which was to ease himself: And said, That the said *Edward Chandler* was not discharged from those Convictions, but they were still under Consideration of the Court of King's Bench; and that they had a Warrant for the first Apprehending of the said *Edward Chandler*.

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And that, upon hearing the Counsel on both Sides, the Committee came to this Resolution:

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Edward Chandler* ought not to be admitted as a Witness in this Cause.

And the Counsel being called in again, and acquainted with the said Resolution; Mr. *Lister's* Counsel declared, That they depended on the Evidence of the said *Edward Chandler*, to make out the said Breach of Privilege; and, he being not to be admitted as a Witness, they could not advise their Client to proceed.

And they being withdrawn; the Committee came to this Resolution:

Resolved, That is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir *Bazill Firebrasse*, *James Monday* Esquire, *Charles Wilford*, *William Whitlock*, *J. Blower*, *George Pretty* alias *Damme George*, \* *Gamet*, *Antony Buckmaster*, *Robert Dallison*, *John Jennings*, and \* *Jeffryes*, are not guilty of a Breach of the Privileges of the House.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Resolution be re-committed;

It passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Sir *Bazill Firebrasse* Knight, *James Monday* Esquire, *Charles Wilford*, *William Whitlock*, *J. Blower*, *George Pretty* alias *Damme George*, \* *Gamet*, *Antony Buckmaster*, *Robert Dallison*, *John Jennings*, and \* *Jeffryes*, are not guilty of a Breach of the Privileges of the House.

A Complaint being made to the House of a Breach of Privilege committed against the Lord *Coningsby*, a Member of this House, by one Mr. *Soransee*, a cashiered Officer, by assaulting the said Lord *Coningsby* near this House;

Privilege—  
Assault of a  
Member.

Ordered, That the said Mr. *Soransee* be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for the said Breach of Privilege.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Mercurii, 10° die Aprilis;

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

MR. *Southwell*, one of the Clerks of the Council, attending; he was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House,—A List of the Names of the Lords of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

List of Privy  
Council.

And then withdrew.

And the said List was read; and is as followeth; viz.

His Royal Highness Prince *George* of *Denmark*.

*Thomas* Lord Archbishop of *Canterbury*.

*John* Lord *Somers*, Lord High Chancellor of *England*.

*Thomas* Earl of *Pembroke*, Lord President of the Council.

*John* Viscount *Lonsdale*, Lord Privy Seal.

*Henry* Duke of *Norfolk*, Earl Marshal of *England*.

*Wm.* Duke of *Devonshire*, Lord Steward of his Majesty's Household.

*Charles* Duke of *Shrewsbury*, Lord Chamberlain of his Majesty's Household.

*Thomas* Duke of *Ormond*.

*Mainhardt* Duke of *Schonberg*.

*Charles* Duke of *Bolton*.

*Thomas* Duke of *Leeds*.

*William* Duke of *Bedford*.

*Robert* Earl of *Lindsey*, Lord Great Chamberlain of *England*.

*Aubry* Earl of *Oxford*.

*Charles* Earl of *Dorset*.

*John* Earl of *Bridgewater*.

*Charles* Earl of *Manchester*.

*Tho.* Earl of *Stamford*, Chancellor of the Duchy of *Lancaster*.

Robert



Robert Earl of Sunderland.  
 John Earl of Bath.  
 Charles Earl of Berkley.  
 Laurence Earl of Rochester.  
 William Earl of Portland.  
 Thomas Earl of Fauconberg.  
 Ralph Earl of Mountague.  
 John Earl of Marleborough.  
 Richard Earl of Scarbrough.  
 Francis Earl of Bradford, Treasurer of his Majesty's Household.  
 Henry Earl of Romney, Master General of the Ordnance.  
 Ford Earl of Tankerville.  
 Edward Earl of Orford.  
 Edward Earl of Jersey, Principal Secretary of State.  
 Richard Earl of Ranelagh.  
 Henry Lord Bishop of London.  
 Robert Lord Ferrers.  
 Thomas Lord Wharton, Comptroller of his Majesty's Household.  
 Robert Lord Lexington.  
 Sidney Lord Godolphin.  
 Thomas Lord Coningsby.  
 Peregrine Bertie Esquire, Vice Chamberlain to his Majesty.  
 James Vernon Esquire, one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.  
 John Smith Esquire, Chancellor and Under Treasurer of the Exchequer.  
 Sir John Holt Knight, Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench.  
 Sir John Trevor Knight, Master of the Rolls.  
 Sir Henry Goodrick Knight and Baronet.  
 Sir Joseph Williamson Knight.  
 Sir William Trumbull Knight.  
 Charles Mountagu Esquire.  
 Hugh Boscawen Esquire.

Ordered, That the said List do lie upon the Table.

Irish Forfeitures.

The House proceeded to the further Consideration of the Report from the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the forfeited Estates of *Ireland*.

And a Motion being thereupon made, That the Resolutions of the Eighteenth of January last, and of *Monday* last, relating to Grants, be read; and also that several Paragraphs of the said Report be read:

The same were read accordingly.

Supply Bill; Land Tax, and Irish Forfeitures.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Meredeth and Sir Richard Holford:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords do desire a present Conference with this House, in the Painted Chamber, upon the Subject-matter of the last Conference.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Resolved, That the House doth agree to a Conference, as the Lords do desire.

And the Messengers were called in again; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

Ordered, That the Members who managed the last Conference, do manage this Conference.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And, being returned;

Conference with Lords.

Sir Edward Seymour reported, That those who the House were pleased to command, had met the Lords at the Conference; and that it was managed, on the Part of the Lords, by the Lord President; who was pleased to open the Conference in this manner:

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I shall not trouble you with any Reasons to introduce this Conference: The Reasons that relate to the Differences between us are contained in a Paper; and I hope they are proposed in that manner, as will tend always to the maintaining a good Correspondence between the Two Houses: Which Paper is as followeth; viz.

The Lords do insist on their Amendments to the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, by Sale of the forfeited and

other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*; and by a Land Tax in *England*, for the several Purposes therein mentioned.

Because the Reasons given by the Commons, against their Lordships Amendments, do no-ways relate to the Matter contained in the said Amendments:

Because, though there be nothing in the said Amendments relating to Aids and Supplies granted to his Majesty in Parliament; yet the Commons have thought fit to take Occasion thereupon to assert a Claim to their sole and entire Right, not only . . . the granting all Aids in Parliament, but that such Aids are to be raised by such Methods, and with such Provisions, as the Commons only think proper: If the said Assertions were exactly true, which their Lordships cannot allow; yet it could not with good Reason, follow from thence, That the Lords may not alter or leave out according to their Amendments, when the saving the Estates of innocent Persons, and of such as have been outlawed after their Death, makes such Amendments necessary.

And the Lords think it unreasonable and unjust to vest in the Trustees any greater or other Estate, than was in the forfeiting Person, or than the King may legally have; since thereby not only many innocent Persons, who come in by Descent, or Purchase, or other valuable Considerations, might suffer equally as Criminals, but 'tis possible that Men, who, with the utmost Hazard of their Lives, have been defending the Government, may forfeit as Traitors; and they cannot apprehend, that, by any Law of this Land, or by any Rule of Reason or Justice, any Person ought to be outlawed after his Death; since 'tis condemning a Man unheard, and allowing him no Opportunity of making his Innocence appear.

The Lords admit the Resumption of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland* to be a Thing necessary, by reason of the great Debt due to the Army, and others, which they earnestly desire to see discharged; and are therefore very willing and desirous to give their Consents to any reasonable Bill the Commons shall send them up to that Purpose: But the Lords can by no means consent, That the Commons shall take upon them to dispose of any of the said Forfeitures to any private Persons; it being the sole and undoubted Right of the Crown, to be the Distributor of all Bounties; and being contrary to all the Laws and Course of Parliaments, to give Aids, Supplies, or Grants, to any but the King only: And, as the contrary Practice is totally new and unprecedented; so, in Process of Time, it may become of the last ill Consequence to the Publick.

The Lords cannot agree to the Clauses, that create an Incapacity in the Commissioners or Managers of the Excise for sitting in this Parliament: Because the Qualification of Members to serve in Parliament is a Thing, if proper to be meddled with at all, that hath been thought fit, by the Commons, to be in a Bill by itself; and the joining together in a Money-Bill Things so totally foreign to the Methods of raising Money, and to the Quantity or Qualifications of the Sums to be raised, is wholly destructive of the Freedom of Debates, dangerous to the Privileges of the Lords, and to the Prerogative of the Crown: For, by this means, Things of the last ill Consequence to the Nation may be brought into Money Bills; and yet neither the Lords, nor the Crown, be able to give their Negative to them, without hazarding the publick Peace and Security: And it seems a great Hardship to the Counties and Places who chose such Members, to deprive them of their Service, since they knew them to be Commissioners of Excise at the time they chose them; and since the Commons admit them to be proper Persons to serve either in Excise or Parliament, though not at the same time; so that there seems to be no other Reason of distinguishing these Commissioners, but what is common to all other Officers of the Crown; and the Question, whether such an Alteration may be convenient, must needs be a Doubt with the Lords, since the Commons have not been able, this very Sessions, to satisfy themselves with the Bill, and the Considerations they have entertained upon that Subject.

The Lords do seriously consider the Dangers and Inconveniencies that are likely to happen by the Loss of this Bill, and

and by the Difference betwixt the two Houses; and are heartily sorry for them; and desirous to avoid them by all the Means they can, as does manifestly appear by their having complied, and overlooked the Irregularities of Bills of the like Nature, and, at the same time, by entering in their Books, to be seen by every body, their just Sense of the Wrong, and their Resolution of asserting that fundamental Right, of the Exercise of which there are many Precedents extant in their Books: But since they find, that such their kind Intention, of maintaining a good Correspondence with the Commons, has had no other Effect, but to introduce greater Impositions upon them, and such as will certainly prove destructive of the ancient and excellent Constitution of our Government; since the Lords have no Objection to the Resumption, nor no Design to invade the least Right of the Commons, but only to defend their own; that they may transmit the Government, and their own Rights and Privileges, to their Posterity, in the same State and Condition that they were derived down to them from their Ancestors; they think themselves wholly discharged from being in the least accessory to any such Dangers or Inconveniencies; and conceive they are sufficiently justified, before God and Man, in withstanding such Innovations and Invasions upon our Constitution, and our Laws, as must necessarily prove the Destruction of them.

The House insist on their Disagreement.

Conference desired with Lords.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente,* That this House doth insist upon their Disagreement with the Lords in the said Amendments.

*Resolved,* That a free Conference be desired with the Lords upon the Subject-matter of the Two last Conferences.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Boyle do go to the Lords, and desire the said free Conference.

Mr. Boyle reported to the House, That he having, according to Order, been at the Lords, to desire a free Conference; the Lords do agree to a free Conference accordingly; and do appoint the same presently, in the Painted Chamber.

*Ordered,* That the Members who managed the Two last Conferences, do manage the free Conference.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And, being returned;

Sir Edward Seymour reported, That they had met the Lords at the free Conference, and discharged the Commands of the House thereat; and left the Bill, and Amendments, with the Lords.

List of Privy Council.

Then the House proceeded to take into Consideration the List of the Lords of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Lobby to be cleared of Strangers, &c.

*Ordered,* That the Lobby be cleared of all Strangers: And that the Back-doors of the Speaker's Chamber be locked up, and the Key brought, and laid upon the Table: And that the Serjeant do stand at the Door of the House, and suffer no Member to go forth.

Supply Bill; Land Tax and Irish Forfeitures.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Meredeth and Sir Richard Holford:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to his Majesty, by Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*; and by a Land Tax in *England*, for the several Purposes therein mentioned; without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Motion for removing Lord Sommers.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be made to his Majesty, to remove John Lord Sommers, Lord Chancellor of *England*, from his Presence and Counsels for ever;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Gwyn, } 106.  
                                  { Mr. Bertie: }

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Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Boyle, } 167.  
                                  { Sir Walter Yonge: }

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the House do adjourn; Adjournment.

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Lord Powlett, } 143.  
                                  { Mr. Onslow: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Cha. Carterett, } 154.  
                                  { Mr. Brotherton: }

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered,* That Candles be brought in. Candles.  
And they were brought in accordingly.

*Resolved,* That an humble Address be made to his Majesty, That no Person, who is not a Native of his Dominions, except his Royal Highness Prince George of Denmark, be admitted to his Majesty's Councils, in *England* or *Ireland*. Address that Foreigners should not be Privy Counsellors.

*Ordered,* That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Jovis, 11° die Aprilis;

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A MESSAGE from the Lords, by Mr. Meredeth and Sir Richard Holford: Commissioners of Accounts.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

The Serjeant was called upon to give an Account what he had done in relation to \* *Soransee*, directed to be taken into his Custody: And he acquainted the House, That his Messengers had been at many Places in and about the Town, to inquire for him, but could not find him. Serjeant states his Failure in apprehending a Person.

*Resolved,* That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will please to issue his Royal Proclamation for the apprehending of \* *Soransee*, for his high Misdemeanor in assaulting the Lord Coningsby, a Member of this House, near this House, promising a Reward to such as shall apprehend him. Address for Proclamation.

*Ordered,* That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Attorney General and Mr. Solicitor General do effectually prosecute the said \* *Soransee*, for the said Offence.

Sir Edward Seymour acquainted the House with what he had insisted upon at the free Conference Yesterday with the Lords, upon the Subject-matter of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to his Majesty, by Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*; and by a Land Tax in *England*, for the several Purposes therein mentioned; and moved, That the same might be entered upon the Journal. Supply Bill; Land Tax and Forfeitures.

*Ordered,* That the same be entered upon the Journal. And the same is as followeth; viz.

That Sir Edward Seymour said to the Lords to this Effect, That this was a Conference upon the Subject-matter of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to his Majesty, by Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests

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Interests in *Ireland*; and by a Land Tax in *England*, for the several Purposes therein mentioned: That the Commons had desired it for the preserving of the Forms of a free Conference; but yet that there was very little Room left for Debate, since the Right of the Commons was contained and declared in their former Reasons, from which they should never depart; and that the giving any other Reasons than what they had before given would be a Diminution of that Right; and that the Managers did not therefore enter into any Debate of the Lords Reasons for the said Amendments.

A Message from his Majesty, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod: Message to attend the King.

Mr. Speaker,

The King commands this Honourable House to attend him in the House of Peers, immediately.

And Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend his Majesty in the House of Peers: Where his Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to several publick and private Bills. Royal Assent to Bills.

And afterwards the Earl of *Bridgewater*, by his Majesty's Command, prorogued this Parliament until *Thursday* the 23d Day of *May* next. Parliament prorogued.

*Jovis, 23° die Maii:*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

Parliament further prorogued.

THE House being met;  
A Message was brought from the Lords, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:  
Mr. Speaker,  
The Lords, authorized by virtue of his Majesty's

Commission, desire the immediate Attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the said Commission read.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers: Where the said Commission was read, for the proroguing the Parliament until *Thursday* the 20th Day of *June* next: And the same was accordingly prorogued until *Thursday* the 20th Day of *June* next.

*Jovis, 20° die Junii;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

Parliament further prorogued.

THE House being met;  
A Message was brought from the Lords, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:  
Mr. Speaker,  
The Lords, authorized by virtue of his Majesty's

Commission, desire the immediate Attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the said Commission read.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers: Where the said Commission was read, for the proroguing the Parliament until *Thursday* the First Day of *August* next: And the same was prorogued accordingly until *Thursday* the First Day of *August* next.

*Jovis, 1° die Augusti;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

Parliament further prorogued.

THE House being met;  
A Message was brought from the Lords, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:  
Mr. Speaker,  
The Lords, authorised by virtue of his Majesty's

Commission, desire the immediate Attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the said Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers: Where the said Commission was read, for the proroguing the Parliament until *Thursday* the Twelfth Day of *September* next: And the same was prorogued accordingly until *Thursday* the Twelfth Day of *September* next.

*Jovis, 12° die Septembris;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

Parliament further prorogued.

THE House being met; and Mr. Speaker being at the *Bath* for his Health;  
A Message was brought from the Lords, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:  
Gentlemen,  
The Lords, authorized by virtue of his Majesty's

Commission, desire the immediate Attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the said Commission read.

Accordingly the House, with the Clerk, went up to the House of Peers: Where the said Commission was read, for the proroguing the Parliament until *Thursday* the Four-and-twentieth Day of *October* next: And the same was prorogued accordingly until *Thursday* the Four-and-twentieth Day of *October* next.

*Jovis, 24° die Octobris;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

Parliament further prorogued.

THE House being met;  
A Message was brought from the Lords, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:  
Mr. Speaker,  
The Lords, authorized by virtue of his Majesty's

Commission, desire the immediate Attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the said Commission read.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers: Where the said Commission was read, for the proroguing the Parliament until *Thursday* the One-and-twentieth Day of *November* next: And the same was prorogued accordingly until the One-and-twentieth Day of *November* next.

*Jovis, 21° die Novembris;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

Parliament further prorogued.

THE House being met;  
A Message was brought from the Lords, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Usher of the Black Rod:  
Mr. Speaker,  
The Lords, authorized by virtue of his Majesty's

Commission, desire the immediate Attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the said Commission read.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers: Where the said Commission was read, for the proroguing the Parliament until the Sixteenth Day of *January* next: And the same was prorogued accordingly until the 16th Day of *January* next.

By

By the KING.  
A PROCLAMATION

For dissolving this present Parliament, and declaring the  
speedy calling another.

WILLIAM R.

Proclama-  
tion for dis-  
solving Par-  
liament.

WHEREAS We have thought fit, for divers im-  
portant and weighty Considerations, by and with the Ad-  
vice of Our Privy Council, to dissolve this present Par-  
liament, which now stands prorogued to *Thursday* the  
Sixteenth of *January* next: We do, for that End, pub-  
lish this Our Royal Proclamation; and do hereby dissolve  
the said Parliament accordingly: And the Lords Spiritual  
and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses,  
of the said Parliament, are discharged from their meeting

upon *Thursday* the said Sixteenth Day of *January*: And  
to the Intent Our good Subjects may perceive the Confi-  
dence We have in their Affection, and how desirous We  
are to meet Our People, and have their Advice in Par-  
liament, We do hereby make known to Our said Subjects,  
That, in respect of some Matters of the highest Import-  
ance to this Our Kingdom, We do intend to give Direc-  
tions to the Keeper of Our Great Seal, for the Issuing  
out of Writs in due form of Law, for the calling a new  
Parliament; which shall begin and be holden at *West-*  
*minster* on *Thursday* the Sixth Day of *February* next.

Given at Our Court at *Kensington*, the Nineteenth  
Day of *December* 1700, in the Twelfth Year of Our  
Reign.

GOD save The KING.

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## OF THE

### HOUSE *of* COMMONS.

6° Die Februarii; 12° WILLIELMI Tertii; Annoque Domini  
1700-1.

Parliament  
meets.

**T**HE Parliament meeting, pursuant to a Proclamation hereunto annexed, and to the Writs which had issued for that Purpose; the most Noble *William* Duke of *Devonshire*, Lord Steward of his Majesty's Household, came, about Eleven a Clock, into the Rooms belonging to the Clerk of the House of Commons called the Inner Court of Wards, the usual Place, to administer the Oaths appointed to be taken by the Members returned to serve in Parliament: And *Thomas Chute* Esquire, the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, having delivered in a Book of the Names of the Members who had been returned; and *Paul Jodrell*, Esquire, the Clerk of the House of Commons, and Mr. *Needler*, his Clerk Assistant, and other his Clerks, attending according to their Duty; the said Lord Steward did administer the Oaths appointed, to several of the Members who appeared; and afterwards made a Commission, or Deputation, under his Hand and Seal, hereunto annexed, to several of the said Members, who had been sworn, to administer the said Oaths to the rest of the Members returned; who administered the same accordingly, to such others as appeared: And the Members being informed, That the Parliament was to be prorogued, by Writ directed to the Lords and Commons, they, without expecting any Message from the Lords, went to the House of Peers: Where the Writ for proroguing the Parliament until the Tenth Day of February Instant was read: Which is as followeth; viz.

#### GULIELMUS R.

GULIELMUS Tertius, Dei gratia, Angliæ, Scotiæ, Franciæ & Hiberniæ Rex, Fidei Defensor, &c. Prædilectis & fidelibus nostris prælatis, magnatibus, & proceribus, regni nostri, ac dilectis & fidelibus nostris militibus, civibus, & burgensibus, dicti regni nostri, ad parlamentum nostrum apud civitatem nostram Westmonaster', Die Jovis, sexto die instan' mensis Februarii incohand' & tenend', convocatis & electis, & vestrum cuilibet, salutem. Cum nos, pro quibusdam arduis & urgentibus negotiis nos, statum, & defensionem dicti regni nostri Angliæ, ac ecclesiæ Anglicanæ, concernen', dictum parlamentum nostrum ad diem & locum prædict' teneri ordinavimus, ac vobis, per separal' brevia nostra, apud civitatem et diem prædict', interesse mandavimus, ad tractand', consentiend', & concludend', super iis quæ in dicto parlamento nostro tunc & ibidem proponerent' & tractarent': Quibusdam tamen certis de causis & considerationibus, nos ad præsens specialiter movend', dictum parlamentum nostrum usque diem Lunæ, decimam diem ejusdem Februarii, duximus prorogand'; ita quod nec vos, nec aliquis vestrum, ad dict' diem Jovis, sextum diem Februarii, apud civitat' prædict'

comparere teneamini seu arctemini: Volumus enim vos, & quilibet vestrum, inde erga nos penitus exonerari mandantes, & tenore præsentium firmit' injungendo; præcipientes vobis, & cuilibet vestrum, ac omnibus aliis quibus in hac parte intersit, quod ad dictum diem Lunæ, decimum diem Februarii, apud prædict' civitat' Westmonaster', personaliter compareatis & intersitis, & quilibet vestrum compareat et intersit, ad tractand', faciend', agend', & concludend', super iis quæ in dicto parlamento nostro, de communi consilio dicti regni nostri, favente Deo, contiguit ordinari. Teste meipso, apud Westmonast', quinto die Februarii, anno regni nostri duodecimo.

CHUTE.

Breve ad parliament', de prima summonitione prorogand'.

*WILLIAM* Duke of *Devonshire*, Great Steward of his Majesty's Household, One of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, and Knight of the most noble Order of the Garter, To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting. Know ye, That I the said Lord Steward, by virtue of my said Office of Lord Steward, have constituted, named, and appointed, and by these Presents do constitute, name, and appoint, *John* Lord *Rosse*, *John Granvill* Esquire, *Sir Wm. Strickland*, *Simon Harcourt*, *Sir Wm. Forrester*, *Ja. Lowther*, *Wm. Lord Pawlet*, *Sir Wm. Drake*, *Hen. Pagitt*, *Sir Jac. Astly*, *Geo. England*, *Sir Jervas Elwes*, *Tho. Freke*, *Geo. Rodney Bridges*, *Sir Ro. Clayton*, *Law. Carter*, *Sir Wm. Ashurst*, *Sir Tho. Mompesson*, *Wm. Bridges*, *Jo. Tredenham*, *Sir Rich. Onslow*, *John Dutton Cult*, *Hen. Yates*, *Tho Turges*, or any Six, Five, Four, Three, Two, or One of them, my Deputies and Deputy, in my place and stead, to tender and minister the Oaths mentioned in the Statute made in the First Year of his now Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for removing and preventing all Questions and Disputes concerning the Assembling and Sitting of this present Parliament, according to the Direction of the said Statute, and of all and every other Statute and Statutes directing the taking the said Oaths before me, to all and every Person which is or shall be elected or appointed a Knight, Citizen, or Burgess, or Baron of any of the Five Ports, for the Parliament summoned to begin, and to be holden, this Sixth Day of February Instant; and to take and receive the Oaths of every of the said Person and Persons which is or shall be elected or appointed Knight, Citizen, Burgess, or Baron of any of the said Five Ports, as aforesaid, for the said Parliament begun and holden on the said Sixth Day of February aforesaid; giving them, Six, Five, Four, Three, Two, and One of them, full Power and Authority to execute and perform the same;

ratifying

Lord  
Steward's  
Deputation.



ratifying and confirming all and whatsoever my said Deputies, or Deputy, any Six, Five, Four, Three, Two, or One of them, shall do and perform, in this behalf, in as ample, perfect, and full manner, as if I myself had personally been present, and done the same. In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal.

Given this Sixth Day of *February*, in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord *William* the Third, by the Grace of God, of *England, Scotland, France and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. *Annoque Domini* 1700-1.

DEVONSHIRE.

*Locus Sigilli.**Lunæ, 10° die Februarii;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

THE Members, who had taken the Oaths, being repaired to their Seats in the House of Commons;

Message to  
attend the  
King.

A Message was delivered from the King, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Gentlemen,

The King commands this Honourable House to attend him in the House of Peers, immediately.

And accordingly the House went up to attend his Majesty: Who was pleased, by the Lord Keeper of the Great Seal, to command the Commons to return to their own House, and choose their Speaker, and present him to his Majesty upon To-morrow at Twelve a Clock.

And the House being returned;

Mr. Harley  
chosen  
Speaker.

Sir *Edward Seymour* recommended *Robert Harley* Esquire to be Speaker, as being a Person fitly qualified to discharge that Trust; as being a Person well acquainted with the Rules of the House, knowing in the Laws, and having good Memory to collect the Debates of the House:

And being seconded by Sir *John Leveson Gower*:

Whereupon, after some Debate,

Mr. *Harley* stood up in his Place; and desired, That the House would be pleased to excuse him, and pitch upon some other Person more able than himself to serve them.

After which, the Clerk, by Command of the House, put the Question, That *Robert Harley* Esquire do take the Chair as Speaker:

And the House divided.

The Yeas on the Right-hand.

The Noes on the Left.

Teller for the Yeas,

Sir *Robert Davers*: 249.

Teller for the Noes,

Sir *Walter Yonge*: 129.

And the Clerk declared the Numbers; and that the Yeas had it.

Whereupon Sir *Edward Seymour* and Sir *John Leveson Gower*, conducted Mr. *Harley* to the Chair: Where, upon the Steps, he humbly thanked the House for the Honour they had done him; but hoped, notwithstanding their Vote, they would permit him to desire of them, That they would be pleased to think further of it, and choose a fitter Person.

Which the Voice of the House being against; he sat down in the Chair; and the Mace which before had lain under the Table, was laid upon the Table.

And then the House being put in mind, That his Majesty had been pleased to direct them to present their Speaker To-morrow at Twelve a Clock;

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Ten a Clock.

*Martis, 11° die Februarii;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

THE House being met; and Mr. Speaker elect having taken the Chair;

Message to  
attend the  
King.

A Message from his Majesty, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Gentlemen,

The King commands this Honourable House to attend him in the House of Peers, immediately.

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And accordingly Mr. Speaker elect, with the House, Mr. Speaker went up to attend his Majesty, and to present their Speaker: approved of by the King.  
Who spake thus; viz.

May it please your most Excellent Majesty,

THE Commons of *England*, in Parliament assembled, in Obedience to your Majesty's Commands have proceeded to the Election of a Speaker; and by their Direction, I am presented to your Majesty, as the effect of that Choice: At the same time I most humbly lay before your Majesty my own Insufficiency to discharge so great a Trust; and therefore do most earnestly beseech your Majesty to accept my Excuse; and, that, the Publick may receive no Detriment from my Want of Ability, I most heartily beg your Majesty will give your Commons an Opportunity to make a better Choice.

Whereupon the Lord Keeper acquainted the House of Commons, That his Majesty was pleased to approve of the Choice they had made; and allowed of Mr. *Harley* to be their Speaker.

After which Mr. *Harley* replied;

May it please Your Majesty,

SINCE your Majesty hath not been pleased to admit of my Excuse, it is my Duty to submit; and I do, in the first Place, with the utmost Thankfulness, acknowledge the undeserved Honour your Majesty is pleased to confer upon me: And that I may the better discharge that great Trust which your Majesty, and the Commons, have committed to me, I am an humble Suitor to your Majesty, That none of my Failings, or Infirmities, may be imputed to your faithful Commons: And that your Commons may be better enabled to consider of the important Affairs that shall come before them, I do, in their Name, by humble Petition, lay Claim to all their ancient Rights and Privileges; and more particularly, that they may have Freedom from Arrests and Disturbance to their Persons, Estates, and Servants; Liberty of Speech, for the better Management of their Debates; Freedom of Access to your Majesty's Royal Person, upon Occasion; and that the Proceedings of the House may receive a favourable Interpretation, and be free from all Misconstruction.

I have nothing more to add, but my hearty Prayers, and poor Endeavours, That the Consultations of the Parliament may tend to the Honour and Safety of your Majesty and your Kingdoms.

The House being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That his Majesty had been pleased to give his Approbation to their Choice of a Speaker: That he had laid claim, by humble Petition, to all their Rights and Privileges, and particularly to that of Freedom from Arrests, and Disturbance of their Persons, Estates, and Servants; Liberty of Speech; and Freedom of Access to his Majesty's Person: And that the Lord Keeper did signify his Majesty's Pleasure, That they should enjoy all their ancient Privileges, as fully as any of their Predecessors.

And afterwards Mr. Speaker returned the House his hearty Acknowledgments for the great Honour they had done him, in placing him in that Chair; assuring them, That he would endeavour to discharge the Duty incumbent on him, uprightly, with all Impartiality, and Respect to the House, and every particular Member of it; hoping that they would consider his Weakness and Infirmities, and give him their Assistance and Support in doing his Duty; and that, in order thereunto, that they would keep the good Orders their Predecessors had established

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for Dispatch of Business, especially at this Time, when the Session begins so late; and that they would come early in a Morning; and, in their Debates, avoid Reflections; for that the House was a House of Debate, and one Reflection would beget another; and it did not become the House to promote these Heats, which were not proper for such an Assembly; and that he hoped the ancient Members would set a good Example to those which had not been there before.

After which, Mr. Speaker put the House in mind, That the Thing they had to do, was to take the Oaths appointed; and to make and subscribe the Declaration, and sign the Association, by Law established.

Mr. Speaker  
takes Oaths.

And Mr. Speaker, first, alone, did take the Oaths, and made and subscribed the Declaration, and signed the Association, accordingly.

Members  
take Oaths.

And afterwards several other Members did take the said Oaths, and made and subscribed the Declaration, and signed the Association, by Law appointed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 12° die Februarii;*

12° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Members  
take Oaths.

THE House being met, several other Members present took the Oaths, and made and subscribed the Declaration, and signed the Association, by Law appointed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 13° die Februarii;*

13° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Members  
take Oaths.

SEVERAL other Members took the Oaths, and made and subscribed the Declaration, and signed the Association. Afterwards,

Fraudulent  
Insurances.

A Bill for preventing fraudulent Insurances was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Grand  
Committees.

*Ordered*, That the Grand Committee for Religion do sit every *Tuesday* in the Afternoon, in the House.

*Ordered*, That the Grand Committee for Grievances do sit every *Thursday* in the Afternoon, in the House.

*Ordered*, That the Grand Committee for Courts of Justice do sit every *Saturday* in the Afternoon, in the House.

*Ordered*, That the Grand Committee for Trade do sit every *Friday* in the Afternoon, in the House.

Committee  
of Privileges.

*Ordered*, That a Committee of Privileges and Elections be appointed, of Sir Rowland Gwyn, Mr. Winnington, Mr. Smith, Mr. Ash, Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Clark, Mr. Jennings, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Pierpoint, Lord Rosse, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Hunt, Sir Walter Yonge, Colonel Churchill, Mr. Ashley, Mr. Speccott, Sir Robert Davers, Sir Edward Norris, Mr. Edward Ash, Sir Henry Bunbury, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Lee, Sir Henry Goff, Mr. Parkhurst, Mr. Halsey, Sir John Bolles, Sir Robert Jenkinson, Sir Wm. Coriton, Lord Marquis Hartington, Mr. Rayner, Mr. Rowney, Mr. Byerly, Sir Wm. St. Quintin, Lord Chenie, Mr. Masters, Mr. Boscawen, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Coatsworth, Mr. Gregory, Sir Fran. Marsham, Mr. Norris, Mr. Blofield, Mr. Mounsteven, Mr. Portman, Sir Geo. Markham, Lord Fitzharding, Sir John Packington, Sir Phil. Boteler, Mr. Hammond, Mr. Brereton, Colonel Granville, Mr. Tredenham,

Sir Chr. Musgrove, Mr. Crow, Sir Cha. Hotham, Sir Robert Marsham, Mr. Howard, Sir Jacob Ashley, Lord Coningsby, Mr. Woodroffe, Mr. Dolben, Mr. Harvey, Earl of Dysert, Mr. Williams, Mr. Wheeler, Sir Rich. Cocks, Sir John Cotton, Sir John Trevellick, Mr. Flemming, Sir John Leveson Gower, Sir Thomas Mackworth, Mr. Yates, Mr. Birch, Mr. Anderton, Mr. Hoblyn, Mr. Graham, Mr. Champnyes, Mr. Halford, Mr. Caesar, Mr. Proby, Sir Robert Cotton, Sir Edward Seymour, Mr. Rolt, Mr. Nevill, Sir Gerv. Elwes, Mr. Crocker, Mr. Gorges, Sir Geo. Rook, Sir Wm. Strickland, Mr. Gulston, Mr. Duke, Mr. Popham, Mr. Palmes, Mr. Walpole, Sir Wm. Scawen, Mr. Topham, Sir Rich. Onslow, Sir Godfrey Copley, Sir John Williams, Mr. Onslow, Sir Stephen Fox, Lord Spencer, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Weston, Sir Sam. Barnardiston, Mr. Randall, Mr. Chetwynd, Sir Wm. Ellis, Mr. Poultney, Mr. Dryden, Mr. How, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Scobell, Mr. Fran. Roberts, Sir Wm. Drake, Sir Owen Buckingham, Sir Charles Pye, Mr. Offley, Mr. Pitt, Mr. Trenchard, Mr. Gower, Mr. Clayton, Sir John Bland, Mr. Harvey, Mr. Jolly, Mr. Bertie, Sir Edw. Hungerford, Mr. Mammors, Mr. Owen, Mr. Craeford, Mr. Lowther, Sir Chr. Hales, Mr. Attorney General, Sir Bryan Stapleton, Sir James How, Sir Edward Turner, Mr. Hysham, Sir Hen. Seymour, Mr. Russell Roberts, Sir John Phillips, Mr. Fuller, Lord William Powlett, Mr. Gilbert, Sir Charles Turner, Sir Fran. Child, Mr. Finch, Mr. Bucknall, Mr. England, Mr. Foley, Mr. Prideaux, Mr. Colt, Mr. Weld: And all that come are to have Voices: And they are to meet upon *Friday* next, at Five a Clock in the Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chambers; and sit every *Monday, Wednesday*, and *Friday*, in the Afternoon: And they are to take into Consideration all such Matters as shall or may come in Question touching Returns, Elections, and Privileges; and to proceed upon Double Returns, in the First Place; and to report their Proceedings, with their Opinions therein, to the House, from time to time: And all Persons that will question Returns, are to do it in Fourteen Days next, and so within Fourteen Days next after any new Return shall be brought in: And the Committee have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records, for their Information: And all Members who are returned for Two or more Places, are to make their Elections by this Day Three Weeks, for which of the Places they will serve, provided there be no Question upon the Return for that Place: And if any thing shall come in Question touching the Return, Election, or Matter of Privilege, of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the Matter is in Debate: And that all Members returned upon Double Returns do withdraw, till their Returns are determined.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do admit but Two Counsel of a Side to be heard in any Case before them.

*Resolved*, That no Person be taken into the Custody Usual of the Serjeant at Arms, upon any Complaint of a Breach of Privilege, until the Matter of such Complaint hath been examined by the Committee of Privileges, and reported to the House.

*Resolved*, That no Member have Privilege in any Case where he is only a Trustee.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That no Peer of this Realm hath any Right to give his Vote in the Election for any Member to serve in Parliament.

*Declared, Nemine contradicente*, to be a Standing Order of the House, That no Member of this House have any Privilege, except for his Person only, against any Comoner, in any Suit or Proceedings in Courts of Law or Equity, for any longer time than the House shall be actually sitting for the Dispatch of Business in Parliament.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That, where the House shall judge any Petitions touching Elections to be frivolous and

and vexatious, the House will order Satisfaction to be made to the Person petitioned against.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente,* That in case it shall appear, any Person hath procured himself to be elected, or returned, as a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by Bribery, or any other corrupt Practices, this House will proceed with the utmost Severity, against such Persons.

Agmondesham Writ.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Agmondesham*, in the County of *Bucks*, in the room of Sir *John Garrard* Baronet, deceased.

Northampton Writ.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Northampton*, in the County of *Northampton*, in the room of *Wm. Thursby* Esquire, deceased.

Hertford Writ.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Hertford*, in the County of *Hertford*, in the room of *Thomas Filmer* Esquire, deceased.

Droitwich Writ.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Droitwich*, in the County of *Worcester*, in the room of *Thomas Foley* senior, Esquire, deceased.

Steyning Writ.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Steyning*, in the County of *Sussex*, in the room of Sir *John Fagg* Baronet, deceased.

Charge of Bribery against Mr. Shepherd, a Member.

The House being informed, That *Samuel Shepherd* Esquire, a Member of this House, hath been guilty of Bribery at several Corporations, in order to procure Members to be elected into this Parliament;

To which Mr. *Shepherd* being heard in his Place, and insisting upon his Innocency;

*Resolved,* That the Matter of the Charge be heard at the Bar of this House.

*Ordered,* That the Names of the Places, where the said Mr. *Shepherd* is charged to be guilty of the said Bribery, be delivered to him in Writing.

*Ordered,* That the said Matter be heard at the Bar of this House, upon *Tuesday* next come Three Weeks.

Orford Election.

A Petition of Sir *Charles Hedges* Knight, and Sir *Tho. Felton* Baronet, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners were duly elected to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Orford*, in the County of *Suffolk*, not only by the Mayor and Commonalty, but by the Freemen also; yet *Henry Cooper* Esquire, High Sheriff of the said County, with Intent to make a false Return against the Petitioners, delivered his Precept to one *John Saunders*; both whom knew well, that the Execution thereof did not belong to *Saunders*, as was adjudged at a Tryal at Bar, last *Michaelmas* Term; and the said Sheriff did receive an Indenture from the said *Saunders*, importing, though untruly, that Sir *Edmund Bacon* and Sir *Edward Turner* were elected Burgesses for the said Borough; and returned them accordingly; he refusing an Indenture under the Corporation Seal, wherein the Petitioners are rightfully returned by the Mayor of the said Borough: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered,* That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

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A Petition of *John Gape* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this Parliament for the Borough of *St. Albans*, in the County of *Hertford*, Colonel *Geo. Churchill*, the Petitioner and *Joshua* and *Tho. Lomax* Esquires, stood Candidates; where the said *Joshua*, by several illegal Practices, procured several Persons to vote for him, as well such as had a Right to vote, as such as had no Right; who, by the Mayor's Permission, were admitted to poll, though objected against by the Petitioner; and, upon a Scrutiny, it appeared, That the Petitioner had a Majority of legal Votes, beyond the said *Joshua Lomax*, and ought to have been returned with Colonel *Churchill*; but the said Mayor hath returned the said *Joshua*, in Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying such Relief in the Premises, as the House, in Justice, shall think meet.

*Ordered,* That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Francis Pistell*, *Richard Strett*, and several other Inhabitants paying Scot and Lot, within the Borough of *Hindon*, in the County of *Wilts*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the late Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough, Sir *James How*, *George Morley*, and *Reynolds Calthorpe*, Esquires, stood Candidates; and Mr. *Morley* had a greater Majority of legal Voters than Mr. *Calthorpe*, and ought to have been returned; but *Cantelo Hughes*, the Bailiff, polled several for Mr. *Calthorpe*, who had no Right, and refused to poll several for Mr. *Morley*, who had a Right: That the Petitioners refused to sign the Indentures for Mr. *Calthorpe*; but the said Bailiff hath arbitrarily returned him, with Sir *James How*, in Violation of the Rights and Privileges of the Petitioners: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered,* That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Edward Harley* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Borough of *Leominster*, in the County of *Hereford*, is an ancient Borough by Prescription, and sends Two Members to Parliament; That *John Dutton Colt* Esquire, the present Bailiff, Mr. *James Caswell* and Mr. *Edward Bangham*, Justices of Peace of *Leominster*, with *Tho. Price* the Town Clerk, and *Thomas Bubb* Overseer of the Poor, did, by Bribes, Menaces, and other unlawful Practices, procure divers of the Electors to vote for the said Mr. *Colt*; and endeavoured, by Bribes and Threats, to prevail with others not to vote for the Petitioner; notwithstanding all which corrupt and arbitrary Proceedings, the major Number of rightful Votes did appear, and vote for the Petitioner; but the Bailiff refused to return him, and returned the said Mr. *Colt*, in Wrong to the Petitioner, and the said Borough: And praying a Day to prove the Allegations of the Petition, and Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered,* That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *John Granville* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly elected by the Borough of *Newport*, in *Cornwall*, to be their Representative in this present Parliament; yet the Vianders, being prevailed on by unjustifiable Practices, went from the Place of Election, without declaring the Majority; and refused a Scrutiny; and have arbitrarily, and falsely, returned *Francis Stratford* Esquire, having declared their Resolutions so to do, before the Election, if he had but Ten Votes: Which Practices are a Violation of the Right

Rights of the said Borough, and a Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises and Relief therein.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Matter of the said Petition be heard at the Bar of the House;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

East Retford  
Election.

A Petition of Sir *Willoughby Hickman* Baronet was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *East Retford*, in the County of *Nottingham*, the Petitioner, *John Thornhagh*, and *Thomas White*, Esquires, stood Candidates: That the Petitioner desired of *Edward Jackson* and *William Peet*, Bailiffs of the said Borough, to admit the Petitioner, or some other Friend for him, into the Place of Election, to see that the same was fairly made, but they refused so to do; and, some time before the Election, disfranchised several Persons; and, at the Election, refused others to come into the Chamber, that demanded to vote for the Petitioner; and admitted others to vote for Mr. *White*, that had no Right: And the said Bailiffs, and Mr. *White*, used many other undue Practices, whereby Mr. *White*, procured himself to be returned, although the Petitioner was duly elected: And praying such speedy Relief in the Premises, as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Newport  
Election.

A Petition of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Borough of *Newport*, in the County of *Cornwall*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the late Election of Burgesses to serve in this Parliament for the Borough aforesaid, *John Granville*, *John Prideaux*, *Francis Stratford*, and *John Morrice*, Esquires, stood Candidates: That the Right of returning Members to Parliament is in the Electors, and Two annual Officers called Vianders: That Mr. *Granville* and Mr. *Prideaux*, were duly chosen, by a vast Majority; and that an Indenture, for their Return, was tendered to the Vianders, signed by the Electors; who refused to execute it, as also to take a Scrutiny; but promised to take a Scrutiny the next Day; withdrawing, with one *Nicolas Morris* Esquire, into another County: But, late in the Evening, one *Richard Blight*, a Servant to Mr. *Nicolas Morris*, by whom the Vianders were solely governed, came into the Borough, and, with the Tythingman, declared, That the Vianders had returned an Indenture for the said Mr. *Francis Stratford*, in Prejudice to the Right of Mr. *Granville*, and the Electors: All which was chiefly transacted by the said *Nicolas Morris*, who recommended the said *Francis Stratford* to the said Borough, and is Lord of the Manor, as Trustee to his Nephew Sir *Nicolas Morris*: That twice within Seven Years he got himself chosen a Viander, though not a Freeholder, which is contrary to the ancient Custom of the said Borough, to overawe the Tenants, and return whom he pleases to Parliament; which he unjustly put in Practice at an Election in 1698, when he returned Mr. *Francis Stratford*, in Wrong to Mr. *Prideaux*, who then had a Majority of Thirty-three Votes; and, as a Continuance of his arbitrary Proceedings, got, last *Michaelmas*, a mean Taylor, that works for a Groat a Day, and his Nephew's Servant, to be chosen Vianders; having once before gotten the said Servant, while a School-boy, to be chosen Viander: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration; and put a Stop to such arbitrary Proceedings, whereby the Petitioners Rights and Liberties are perverted.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the same; and report the Matter, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Thomas Vernon* and *William Ball* Esquires was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners were duly elected Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for *Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardness*, in the County of *Devon*: That the Sheriff's Precept was delivered to *Joseph Bully*, the Mayor of the said Borough, who proceeded regularly to the Election; where all Parties joined; and the Petitioners had the Majority upon the Poll, were declared duly elected, and returned, by the said *Bully*, to the Sheriff by Indenture annexed to the Precept; and the Common Seal of the Corporation was put to the said Indenture; and the Sheriff sent the Indenture to one *Thomas Granger*, of *Lyons Inn*, and also the Writ for Election; and the Indenture ought to have been fixed to the Writ, and returned therewith into the Crown Office: But the said *Granger* hath returned another Indenture, with the said Writ, into the said Office; and hath suppressed the first mentioned Indenture; in Prejudice of the Petitioners: And praying, That such Proceedings may be had, in relation to the Premises, as the House shall think fit.

Dartmouth  
Election.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Matter of the said Petition be heard at the Bar of the House;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Committee do hear the Matter of the said Petition in the First Place;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of Sir *Richard Vivian* Baronet was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for *Mitchell*, in *Cornwall*, the Petitioner, with others, stood a Candidate; and ought to have been returned one of the Burgesses, having a Majority of legal Voters for him: But by Bribery, and several other ill Practices, used by *John Greeby*, Portreeve, and others, for and on the behalf of *Antony Row* Esquire, the said *John Greeby* hath returned the said Mr. *Row* unduly, and in Prejudice to the Petitioner; and the said Mr. *Row* having formerly been dismissed this House for Bribery in the said Borough, the said ill Practice hath ever since been continued there on his behalf: And praying such Relief in the Premises, as to the House shall seem meet.

Mitchell  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Merits of the said Election be heard at the Bar of this House.

*Ordered*, That the same be heard upon this Day Five Weeks.

A Petition of *Humphrey Wirley* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Litchfield*: But by Threats and Promises, and many undue Practices, the Petitioner's Votes were discouraged and hindered from voting for him, and many were admitted to vote for Captain *Dyott*, who were not qualified so to do: And the Sheriff refused to take the Votes of several for the Petitioner, which were never refused before; and hath returned Captain *Dyot*, in Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Litchfield  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition



**Bishop's  
Castle  
Election.**

A Petition of Sir *William Brownlow* Baronet, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*, in the County of *Salop*; but *Thomas Mason*, the present Bailiff, hath returned his Son *Charles Mason*, who is guilty of Bribery, and other corrupt Practices, at the said Election: And praying the House to appoint a short Day for taking the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

**Fowey  
Election.**

A Petition of *Thomas Vivian* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Member to serve in this Parliament for the Borough of *Fowey*, in the County of *Cornwall*; and ought to have been returned: But by many illegal Practices, used by and on the behalf of *John Williams* Gentleman, and by the partiality of his Uncle *Jonathan Tincombe*, the Portreeve, he the said *Jonathan* hath, contrary to the Constitution of the said Borough, returned the said *John Williams*, in Prejudice to the Petitioner's Right: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

**Great  
Grimsby  
Election.**

A Petition of *Arthur Moor* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the late Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Great Grimsby*, in the County of *Lincolne*, the Petitioner, *Thomas Viner* Esquire, and one Mr. *William Coatsworth*, stood as Candidates; and some of the Freemen of the said Borough did enter into Treaties, with several Persons in *London*, for Sale of the Choice of a Burgess to such as would give most Money: And, accordingly, one of them did agree with the said Mr. *Coatsworth*, in *London*, for a great Sum, to elect him a Burgess for the said Borough, though his Name was never heard of there until he was actually on the Road thither: And the said Mr. *Coatsworth*, by the Mayor, and his other Agents, did bribe most of the Voters of the said Town by Money, giving none less than Five Pounds, but to many of them more; and promising them larger Sums after the Election, in case they voted for him: By which, and many other undue and corrupt Practices, Mr. *Coatsworth* got himself a Majority of Votes, and to be returned, in Wrong to the Petitioner, who had the Majority of fair Votes; which the Mayor well knew, who ought to have returned the Petitioner: And praying such Relief in the Premises, as to the House shall seem meet.

*Ordered*, That the Merits of the said Election be heard at the Bar of this House.

*Ordered*, That the same be heard upon this Day Three Weeks.

**Downton  
Election.**

A Petition of Sir *Charles Duncombe* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this Parliament for the Borough of *Downton*, in the County of *Wilts*, the Petitioner had justly the Majority of good Votes; but, by the Artifice of *John Eyre* Esquire, many Votes were multiplied, and allowed by the Officer, who was to make the Return, which ought not to vote; and many were rejected who had a Right, and would have voted for the Petitioner: And, by the Injustice of the said Officer, such Notice was not given as the Law requires for Elections; nor did he indorse the Precept on the Day he received it, as he ought; nor is Mr. *Eyres* returned by the legal Officer, who refused to return the Petitioner: And praying the Justice of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections:

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And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Robert Austen* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, and *John Hayes* Esquire, were duly elected to serve in this present Parliament for the Town and Port of *Winchelsea*; but one *Edward Martin*, contrary to Law, he being an Officer of the Customs, taking upon him to execute the Office of Mayor, hath returned *Thomas Newport* Esquire, a Commissioner of the Customs, and unknown to the Electors, and *Robert Bristow* Esquire; though the Jurats of the said Town prest him to return the Petitioner and Mr. *Hayes*; protesting against the said pretended Return, and refusing to consent to the setting the Common Seal thereto: But the said *Martin* did himself affix the Common Seal to the said Return, in Violation and Wrong to the Rights of the said Town, and the Petitioner: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Merits of the said Election be heard at the Bar of this House.

*Ordered*, That the same be heard upon this Day Fortnight.

A Petition of *Frederick Tilney* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner stood a Candidate at the last Election for the City of *Winton*; and had a Majority of such Voters as had a Right to poll: Yet, by influential and indirect Practices, by Menaces and Threats, and the Appearance of Three Dukes in Court, who did vote against the Petitioner, though he caused the Vote of this House, of the 14th of December 1669, to be read in Court; the Lord *William Powlett*, and *George Rodney Bridges* Esquire, were returned, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying the speedy Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of Sir *Michael Biddulph* Baronet was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was desired, by several Citizens of *Litchfield*, to represent them in this present Parliament; and he stood a Candidate accordingly: But by Bribery, and divers other illegal Practices, *William Walmsley* Esquire hath procured himself to be returned, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And . . . . . the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And . . . they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 14<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

13<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

**PRAYERS.**

A PETITION of the Mayor, Recorder, major Part of the Aldermen, and also the major Part of the Inhabitants, paying Scot and Lot, within the Borough of *Fowey*, in the County of *Cornwall*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Jonathan Tincomb*, Portreeve of the said Borough, at former Elections of Members to serve in Parliament, hath publicly affirmed, That the Right of Election was, as in Truth it is, in the Scot and Lot Men, inhabiting within the said Town, and paying to the Relief of the Poor: But, at the last Election, the said *Jonathan* did admit to poll several Persons for

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Winchelsea  
Election.

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Election.

Fowey  
Election.



*John Williams*, his Nephew, that were not Scot and Lot Men, but rather Objects of Charity; in Violation of the known Constitution of the said Borough, and the Petitioners Rights: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Honiton  
Election.

A Petition of *William Courtney* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for *Honiton*, in the County of *Devon*; but by Treating, Bribery, Promises of Preferments, and several other undue Practices, used by *Sir Walter Yong*, and his Agents, he the said *Sir Walter* is returned, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Nottingham  
Election.

A Petition of *Robert Sacheverell* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Burgesses to serve in this Parliament for the Town of *Nottingham*, *Mr. Pierpoint*, the Petitioner, *Mr. Gregory*, and *Sir Scroop How*, stood Candidates; and the Petitioner was duly chosen, and ought to have been returned with *Mr. Pierpoint*; but many illegal Practices were done to defeat the Petitioner's Election, by *Mr. Cook* and *Mr. Bilby*, Sheriffs, *Sam. Watkinson* Mayor, and several others, in favour of *Mr. Gregory*, whom the Sheriffs have falsely returned, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Peterborough  
Election.

A Petition of *Francis St. John* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Sidney Wortley*, alias *Mountague*, Esquire, *Gilbert Dolben* Esquire, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates at the last Election of Members to serve in this Parliament for the City of *Peterborough*; and *Mr. Mountague* did, by Bribes and Entertainments, after the Teste of the Writ, procure a great Number of the Electors to vote for him; and yet the Petitioner, upon the Poll, had the Majority of legal Votes; but the Bailiff of the Borough refused to return the Petitioner, and unjustly returned *Mr. Mountague*: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Apulby  
Election.

A Petition of *Sir John Walter* Baronet was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner . . . duly chosen a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Apulby*, in the County of *Westmoreland*, and ought to have been returned; but the Mayor of the said Borough hath returned *Wharton Dunch* Esquire, to the Petitioner's Prejudice: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Tanfield Vachell* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Reading*, *Sir Owen Buckingham*, the Petitioner, and *Francis Knowles* Esquire, stood Candidates; and the major Part of the legal Voters voted for the Petitioner; and he ought to have been returned with *Sir Owen Buckingham*: That, at and before the Election, many illegal Practices were used by *Henry Dean*, Town Clerk of *Reading*, and Under Sheriff of the County, and others, in procuring Votes for *Mr. Knowles*, and deterring others from voting for the Petitioner, by threatening them with Imprisonment, and other Punishment: And *Mr. Knowles*, and others, on his behalf, procured several Votes by Bribes, Menaces, and Promises of Reward; and polled Persons receiving Alms, who are not qualified to vote; and that the Mayor hath returned *Mr. Knowles*, to the Petitioner's Prejudice: And praying the Justice of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Charles Osborn* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the Election of Burgesses for the Town of *Kingston upon Hull*, the Petitioner stood a Candidate, with *Sir William St. Quintin*, and *Mr. William Maisters*; who, by Bribes, Entertainments, and other indirect Means, procured Votes for themselves, and to be returned, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *John Manley* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly elected, and ought to have been returned, a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bossiny*, in the County of *Cornwall*; but *John Tregagle* Esquire set up one *Nathan Williams* as Mayor, in Opposition to *Mr. William Taylor*, the lawful and sworn Mayor, and possessed of the Borough's Common Seal and Mace; and procured the Sheriff's Precept to be delivered to *Williams*; who proceeded to Election thereupon, though not the proper Officer; and *Mr. Tregagle*, by Entertainments, Bribes, and other undue Means, gained the said *Williams*, and others, to vote for him; and *Williams*, who refused many good Votes for the Petitioner, hath unjustly returned *Mr. Tregagle*, in Wrong to the said Borough, and the Petitioner: And that, by the like ill Practices, *Mr. Tregagle* procured himself to be chosen the last Parliament, by Bribery out of his Majesty's Revenue of the Duchy of *Cornwall*, whereof he is Receiver; as the Petitioner hath discovered since the Rising of the last Session, and hopes to prove, if the House will hear the same: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of several Freemen of the Borough of *Sudbury*, in the County of *Suffolk*, on behalf of themselves, and many others, Freemen of the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Members to serve in Parliament for the said Borough, the Mayor refused to poll great Numbers of legal Voters, when they offered to poll for *John Little* Esquire; but the same Votes were allowed good, when they

they offered to poll for Sir *Jervois Elwes*, and Sir *John Cordell*; and many were admitted that had no Right to vote; by which means the Borough had not Liberty to choose Mr. *Little*, according to their Inclination: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

**Carlisle Election.**

A Petition of *Thomas Stanwix* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Philip Howard*, *James Lowther*, Esquires, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates at the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Carlisle*; and Mr. *Lowther*, by his Agents, by several corrupt and illegal Practices, procured a great Number of Voices, as well good as bad, which were all polled for him; and by Threats, and other undue Means, deterred many from voting for the Petitioner; by which Means, and the Partiality of the Lieutenant Governor, and Deputy Mayor of the said City, Mr. *Lowther* got himself returned; although the Petitioner had the Majority of legal Voters, and ought to have been returned: And praying the speedy Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

**Limington Election.**

A Petition of *James Worsley* and *Tho. Foulerton* Esquires was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners were duly chosen Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Limington*, by a Majority of qualified Electors: but the Mayor hath returned *Thomas Dore* and *Paul Burrard* Esquires, to the great Prejudice of the Petitioners: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

**Plimpton Election.**

A Petition of *Richard Hele* and *George Parker* Esquires was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, with *Courtney Crocker* and *Martin Rider* Esquires, stood Candidates for Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Plimpton*, in the County of *Devon*: Where Mr. *Aldwin* the present Mayor, and Mr. *Fortescue* the late Mayor, and other Agents for Mr. *Crocker* and Mr. *Ryder*, treated several of the Electors at Publick-houses, and distributed several Sums of Money for their Votes; who accordingly did vote for Mr. *Crocker* and Mr. *Rider*; and the said present Mayor rejected several good Electors, who offered to vote for the Petitioners; and used many other indirect Practices; whereby Mr. *Crocker* and Mr. *Rider* procured themselves to be returned, in Wrong to the Petitioners: And praying the Justice of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

**New Sarum Election.**

A Petition of *Charles Fox* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at an Election of Citizens to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *New Sarum*, the Petitioner, *Robert Eyres*, and Sir *Tho. Mompesson*, stood Candidates; and the Petitioner had a Majority of Sir *Thomas* by One; but *Geo. Fowler*,  
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Mayor of the said City, contrary to all Justice, did first vote for Sir *Thomas Mompesson*, which made the Numbers between him and the Petitioner even; and afterwards, pretending another Vote, declared Sir *Thomas* duly elected, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying such speedy Relief in the Premises, as the House shall judge meet.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *John Pitt* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *St. Ives*, in the County of *Cornwall*, *James Praed*, *Benja. Overton*, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates; the Right of Election being in the Inhabitants not receiving Alms; and above Two Hundred of such as had a Right to vote, demanded to be polled for Mr. *Praed* and the Petitioner; but *John Hawkins*, Mayor of the said Borough, refused to poll them; declaring that the Right of Election was, by the late King *James's* Charter, vested in him, as Mayor, and in the Capital Burgesses and Assistants only, who are not above Sixteen; and thereupon hath returned the said Mr. *Overton*, in Violation of the Rights of the said Borough, and in Wrong to the Petitioner, who had the Majority of legal Votes with Mr. *Praed*, and ought to have been returned: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Matter of the said Petition be heard at the Bar of the House;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of several Inhabitants of the said Borough of *St. Ives*, on behalf of themselves, and divers other Inhabitants within the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, time out of mind, the said Borough hath constantly sent Members to serve in Parliament, who were chosen by such of the Inhabitants, as did not receive Alms; and, at the last Election, the Petitioners, and divers others duly qualified, demanded to poll for *John Pitt* Esquire; but the Mayor refused to let them; and declared, That, by virtue of the late King *James's* Charter, the Right of Election was in the Mayor, Capital Burgesses and Assistants only; and that he would suffer none else to poll: And thereupon he hath illegally returned *James Praed* and *Benjamin Overton* Esquires, in great Violation to the Petitioner's Rights: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Christopher Knight* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the late Election of Members to serve in this Parliament for the Borough of *Arundell*, in *Sussex*, the Petitioner, *John Cook*, and *Edmund Dummer*, Esquires, stood Candidates; and Mr. *Cook* was duly chosen; and so had the Petitioner, but the said Mr. *Dummer*, by Bribery, and other indirect Practices, got himself to be chosen, and returned, the other Sitting Member: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition

Newark  
upon Trent  
Election.

A Petition of *James Sanderson* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner stood a Candidate with Sir *George Markham*, to serve as a Burgess in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Newark upon Trent*, in the County of *Nottingham*: At which Election divers Persons were allowed to vote for Sir *George*, who were not qualified; and many who were qualified, were refused to vote for the Petitioner; and several undue Practices were made use of by Mr. *Bernard Wilson*, to get Votes for Sir *Geo. Markham*, and to discourage others from voting for the Petitioner: And the Mayor of the said Borough hath returned Sir *Geo. Markham*, to the Petitioner's Injury, who was legally chosen: And praying, That the House will take the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Calne  
Election.

A Petition of *Edward Baynton* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Calne*, in the County of *Wilts*; and ought to have been returned; but *Walter Long* Esquire hath, by several undue Practices, procured himself to be returned, to the Petitioner's great Wrong: . . . . . the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Sandwich  
Election.

A Petition of *John Mitchell* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Sir *Henry Furnesse*, *John Taylor* Esquire, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates at the last Election of Members to serve in this Parliament for the Port of *Sandwich*: That Sir *Henry Furnesse*, being one of the present Sheriffs of *London* and *Middlesex*, and concerned in managing several Aids granted to his Majesty by Parliament, is incapable of serving in Parliament: That several unqualified Persons were admitted to vote for Sir *Henry* and Mr. *Taylor*, and others were gained by Bribery, and many other undue Practices; by Means whereof, they are returned as duly chosen, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Ditto.

And the House taking Notice, upon the said Petition, relating to the Election for the Port of *Sandwich*, That Sir *Henry Furnesse*, a Member of this House, is concerned in managing several Aids and Duties granted to his Majesty; thereupon a Clause, in the Act made in the 5th and 6th Years of the Reign of his Majesty and the late Queen *Mary*, for granting to their Majesties certain Rates and Duties upon Salt, and upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors, for securing certain Recompences and Advantages, in the said Act mentioned, to such Persons as shall voluntarily advance the Sum of Ten hundred thousand Pounds, towards carrying on the War against *France*, was read; whereby no Member is to be concerned in farming, collecting, or managing, any Monies, Duties, or Aids, granted to their Majesties, except as therein is mentioned;

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, take into Consideration what Members are concerned in the said Clause.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Justice *Turton* and Mr. Justice *Blincoe*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed on an Address to be presented to his Majesty: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

The Lords  
communicate  
Address.

Mr. Speaker reported, That his Majesty had been pleased, upon *Tuesday* last, to make a most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament; and that, to prevent Mistakes, he had desired and obtained a Copy thereof; which he read to the House, and is as followeth; viz.

The King's  
Speech  
reported.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

OUR great Misfortune, in the Loss of the Duke of *Gloucester*, hath made it absolutely necessary, that there should be a further Provision, for the Succession to the Crown in the Protestant Line, after me and the Princess. The Happiness of the Nation, and the Security of our Religion, which is our chiefest Concern, seems so much to depend upon this, that I cannot doubt but it will meet with a general Concurrence; and I earnestly recommend it to your early and effectual Consideration.

The Death of the late King of *Spain*, with the Declaration of his Successor to that Monarchy, has made so great an Alteration in the Affairs abroad, that I must desire you, very maturely, to consider their present State: And I make no doubt, but your Resolutions thereupon will be such, as shall be most conducing to the Interest and Safety of *England*, the Preservation of the Protestant Religion in general, and the Peace of all *Europe*.

These things are of such Weight, that I have thought them most proper for the Consideration of a new Parliament, to have the more immediate Sense of the Kingdom in so great a Conjunction.

I must desire of you, Gentlemen of the House of Commons, such Supplies, as you shall judge necessary, for the Service of the current Year: And I must particularly put you in mind of the Deficiencies, and publick Debts, occasioned by the late War, that are yet unprovided for.

I am obliged further to recommend to you, That you would inspect the Condition of the Fleet; and consider what Repairs or Augmentations may be requisite for the Navy; which is the great Bulwark of the *English* Nation, and ought, in this Conjunction most especially, to be put in a good Condition: And that you would also consider, what is proper for the better Security of those Places where the Ships are laid up in Winter.

The Regulation and Improvement of our Trade is of so publick Concern, that I hope it will ever have your serious Thoughts; and if you can find proper Means of setting the Poor at Work, you will ease yourselves of a very great Burden, and, at the same Time, add so many useful Hands to be employed in our Manufactures, and other publick Occasions.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I hope there will be such an Agreement and Vigour, in the Resolutions you shall take upon the important Matters now before you, as may make it appear we are firmly united among ourselves; and, in my Opinion, nothing can contribute more to our Safety at Home, or to our being considerable Abroad.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning at Eleven a Clock, take into Consideration his Majesty's most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament.

King's  
Speech to be  
considered.

A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House will stand by and support his Majesty, and his Government; and take such effectual Measures as may best conduce to the Interest and Safety of *England*, the Preservation of the Protestant Religion, and the Peace of *Europe*;

Resolution to  
support the  
King.

An Amendment was proposed to be made, to leave out "and the Peace of *Europe*."

And the Question being put, That those Words stand Part of the Question;

The House divided.

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The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Lord William Powlett, } 181.  
 { Mr. Heroey :

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir John Bolles, } 163.  
 { Mr. Bertie :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question being put;

*Resolved*, That this House will stand by and support his Majesty, and his Government; and take such effectual Measures, as may best conduce to the Interest and Safety of *England*, the Preservation of the Protestant Religion, and the Peace of *Europe*.

*Resolved*, That the said Resolution be presented to his Majesty by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That such Members of this House, as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do humbly know his Majesty's Pleasure, when he will be attended by this House.

Committee of Privileges. *Ordered*, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 15<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;*

13<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Beerealston Writ.

*SIR Rowland Gwynn*, being chosen Knight of the Shire for the County of *Brecon*; and also a Burgess for the Borough of *Beerealston*, in the County of *Devon*; made his Election to serve for the County of *Brecon*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Beerealston*, in the room of the said *Sir Rowland Gwynn*.

Fees of Officers of the House.

*Ordered*, That the Table of Fees of the Officers of the House be laid before the House.

Usual Orders.

*Ordered*, That the Back-doors of the Speaker's Chambers be locked up every Day, at the Sitting of the House, and the Keys brought and laid upon the Table, till the Rising of the House.

*Ordered*, That the Votes of the House be printed: And that Mr. Speaker do peruse the same, and appoint the Printing thereof: And that no other do presume to print the same, but such as he shall appoint.

*Ordered*, That no private Bill be brought into this House, but upon a Petition, setting forth the Suggestions and Reasons for the same.

*Ordered*, That the Chairman of the Committee, upon the Report of every private Bill, do acquaint the House, whether the Allegations of the Bill have been examined; and the Parties concerned have given their Consents, to the Satisfaction of the Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Chairman of the Committee for any private Bill do not sit thereupon, without a Week's publick Notice thereof set up in the Lobby.

*Ordered*, That there be Three Days between the several Readings of all private Bills.

*Ordered and Declared*, That the said Orders be Standing Orders of the House.

King appoints to be attended.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had been pleased to appoint to be attended by this House, upon *Monday* next, at Four a Clock in the Afternoon, at *Kensington*.

Answer to Address.

The Message from the Lords Yesterday, of the Address, being read; the same is as followeth; viz.

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WE the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, return our most humble Thanks and Acknowledgments to your Majesty, for your Concern expressed for the Protestant Religion, in your gracious Speech; and your Care for its future Preservation, by recommending to our Consideration a further Provision for the Succession to the Crown in the Protestant Line.

We are highly sensible of the Weight of those Things your Majesty is pleased further to recommend to our Consideration; and therefore humbly desire you will be pleased to order all the Treaties that have been made between your Majesty, and any other Prince or State, since the late War, to be laid before us; that we may be enabled to give our mature Advice, when we are informed of all those Matters necessary to direct our Judgment.

And we further humbly desire of your Sacred Majesty, that you will enter into Alliances with all those Princes and States, who are willing to unite for the Preservation of the Balance of *Europe*; assuring your Majesty, that we shall most readily concur in all such Methods, which may effectually conduce to the Honour and Safety of *England*, the Preservation of the Protestant Religion, and the Peace of *Europe*.

*Ordered*, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to desire a Conference with their Lordships, upon the Subject-matter of the said Message.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Boyle* do go to the Lords, and desire the said Conference.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will be pleased to order all the Treaties, that have been made between his Majesty, and any other Prince or State, since the late War, to be laid before this House. Treaties with Foreign States.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House, as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

*Ordered*, That the Commission constituting Trustees for circulating Exchequer Bills be laid before this House upon *Monday* Morning next. Trustees for circulating Exchequer Bills.

A Petition of *John Pedley* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Huntingdon*, the Petitioner, *Francis Wortley*, and *Cha. Boyle*, Esquires, stood Candidates; at which Election, a Peer of this Realm, with the Assistance of others, with Swords and Clubs, did menace, assault, and strike the Recorder of the said Borough; and others of the Petitioner's Voters; some being wounded, others durst not appear, and some were carried under a strong Guard to give their Votes for Mr. *Boyle*; but were not permitted to give their Second Votes, which they would have done, for the Petitioner; and were carried back by the same Guard, and locked up, so that the Petitioner, nor his Friends, could speak with them; by which undue Practices, contrary to the Liberties of the Subject, the Majority fell on Mr. *Boyle*, which otherwise would have been for the Petitioner: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration. Huntingdon Election.

*Ordered*, That the Matter touching the said Election be heard at the Bar of this House, upon *Thursday* the 13th Day of March next.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That for any Peer of this Kingdom, or any Lord Lieutenant of any County, to concern themselves in the Elections of Members to serve for the Commons in Parliament, is a high Infringement of the Liberties and Privileges of the Commons of *England*. Peers not to interfere in Elections.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration his Majesty's most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament. The King's Speech considered.

And the same was again read:

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And



Supply.

And a Motion being made, for a Supply to be granted to his Majesty;

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of that Motion.

Charge of  
Bribery  
against Mr.  
Shepherd,  
a Member.

The Charge against Mr. *Shepherd*, which was ordered to be delivered to him, and was delivered accordingly, is as followeth; *viz.*

That Mr. *Shepherd*, by himself and his Agents, hath endeavoured to corrupt the Electors for the Boroughs of *Newport*, in the *Isle of Wight*; *Andover*, in the County of *Southampton*; *Wootton Bassett*, and *Malmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*; and *Ilcester*, in the County of *Somerset*; by giving of great Sums of Money to obtain their Voices.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Luncæ, 17° die Februarii;*

13° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Wilton  
Election.

A PETITION of Sir *Henry Ashurst* Baronet was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Wilton*, in the County of *Wilts*; but Mr. *Phipps*, by gross Bribery, and promising larger Sums from a considerable trading Corporation in *London*, whose Agent he said he was, prevailed on the Majority of the said Borough to vote for, and declare him chosen, whom they have returned with Mr. *Gauntlet*, in Wrong to the Borough, and the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Matter of the said Petition be heard at the Bar of the House;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Ditto.

A Petition of *Antony Burnaby* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner had been chosen with Mr. *Gauntlet*, a Burgess, to serve in this present Parliament for *Wilton*; but that Mr. *Phipps*, by Bribes, Promises, and other indirect Means, drew away several of the Electors, that would otherwise have voted for the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Winchelsea  
Election.

A Petition of *John Hayes* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, and *Robert Austen* Esquire, were duly chosen to serve in this present Parliament for the Town of *Winchelsea*; but one *Edward Martin*, a Custom-house Officer, taking upon him illegally to act as Mayor, hath returned *Tho. Newport* Esquire, a Commissioner of the Customs, and *Robert Bristow* Esquire, as duly elected; although the Jurats protested against that Return, and refused setting their Common Seal to it, and pressed him to return the Petitioner and Mr. *Austen*: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Merits of the said Election be heard, at the Bar of this House, upon *Thursday* the 27th Instant.

A Petition of *Thomas Cotton* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, and *Edward Brereton* Esquire, stood Candidates to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *Denbigh*; where the two present Aldermen and Bailiffs were last Year in that Station, and by sinister Practices were continued so, to serve Mr. *Brereton* in the Election this Year, contrary to the express Words of their Charter, and the continued Custom of the said Borough: That the said Bailiffs arbitrarily refused several Persons to their Freedom, that had an undoubted Right to it, and demanded it in open Court, at the Election, and to poll for the Petitioner; who had a considerable Majority that polled for him, and was duly elected; yet the said Bailiffs have unduly returned Mr. *Brereton*: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and Relief against the partial Proceedings of the said Bailiffs therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the Borough of *Leominster*, in the County of *Hereford*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at and before the late Election of Members to serve in this Parliament for the said Borough, the Bailiff and Justices of Peace there used many indirect Practices, and exercised their Power to force Men to vote for *John Dutton Colt* Esquire, and to hinder them from voting for *Edward Harley* Esquire; and admitted divers to poll for Mr. *Colt* that received Alms; and many other undue Practices were made use of; in manifest Violation of the Rights of the Petitioners, and the Freedom of Elections to Parliament: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, that the Borough may be relieved from the said Oppression.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of Sir *Gilbert Gerrard* Baronet was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this Parliament, the Petitioner, *George Walcott* Esquire, and Sir *William Brownlow*, stood Candidates for the Borough of *Bishops-Castle*, in the County of *Salop*; where Mr. *Walcott* and Sir *William Brownlow*, by themselves or Agents, by Treats, Rewards, Menaces, and other corrupt Practices, gained several Votes that were in the Petitioner's Interest; and Mr. *Walcott* thereby has got himself returned: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *George Morley* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Hindon*, in the County of *Wilts*, Sir *James How* Baronet, *Reynolds Calthrop*, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates; where Mr. *Calthrop*, by several indirect Means, procured several Persons to be polled for him, that had no Right in the Election; and thereby, and by the arbitrary Proceedings of *Cantelo Hews*, the Bailiff of the Borough, who refused a Scrutiny of



of the Poll, Mr. *Calthrop* was declared chosen, though the Petitioner had the Majority of legal Votes, and ought to have been returned: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

St. Mawes  
Election.

A Petition of Sir *James Bateman* Knight, and *Nicolas Carew* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners were duly chosen Burgesses to serve in this Parliament for the Borough of *St. Mawes*, in the County of *Cornwall*, by the Freeholders, and Inhabitants, being Housekeepers a Year and a Day of the said Borough, whose Right it was always to elect; but the Portreeve hath returned Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, and *John Tredenham* Esquire, as chosen for the said Borough: And praying Redress in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Chipenham  
Election.

A Petition of *Edward Mountague* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *John Lord Mordant*, *Walter White* Esquire, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Chipenham*, in the County of *Wilts*; and though the Lord *Mordant* was under the Age of 21 Years, and therefore incapable of being elected, yet the Bailiff of the said Borough hath returned him, to the Petitioner's Prejudice, who was duly chosen: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Matter of the said Petition, touching the Nonage of the Lord *Mordant*, be heard at the Bar of this House.

*Ordered*, That the same be heard upon *Monday* the 24th Day of March next.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition, as to the Merits of Election, be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Liverpoole  
Election.

A Petition of Sir *Cleve Moor* Baronet, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Liverpoole*, *William Clayton* Esquire, Sir *William Norris*, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates: That *Richard Norris*, Mayor of the said Borough, and Brother to the said Sir *William*, with others, did, in favour of him, use several indirect Practices, in Opposition to the Petitioner; by threatening the Ruin of many Freemen, if they voted for the Petitioner; by refusing several who would have voted for the Petitioner, and admitting others to vote for Sir *William*, who had no Right; by refusing the Petitioner's Friends to be Inspectors of the Poll, and denying a Copy thereof: That the said Mayor hath returned Sir *William Norris*, though he had not the Majority of legal Votes, in Prejudice of the Petitioner: Nor is Sir *William* capable of being chosen, as advised, he having been these Two Years in the *East Indies*, from whence he is not likely to return during this Parliament: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Mitchell  
Election.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the Borough of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Cornwall*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough, Sir *Richard Vivian*, *Antony Row* Esquire,  
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and others, stood Candidates: That the Right of Election is in the Lords of the said Borough, and the Inhabitants paying Scot and Lot, not above 14 in Number, 12 whereof voted for Sir *Richard*; yet *John Greeby*, who acted as Portreeve, who, for several Years past, hath made Interest for Mr. *Row*, by Bribery and other undue Practices, procured and took the Votes of several of the Inhabitants who did not pay Scot and Lot, and lately received Alms; and, by the Majority of such, hath returned Mr. *Row* as duly elected, contrary to the Rights of the Petitioners: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Merits of the said Election be heard at the Bar of this House upon *Thursday* the Twentieth of March next.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That he was commanded by his Majesty to communicate to this House a Letter, which came very providentially to his Hands, out of *France*, being a Letter from the Earl of *Melfort* to his Brother the Earl of *Perth*: And he delivered a Copy in at the Table, and the Original to Mr. Speaker: And the said Copy was read, and is as followeth; viz.

Intercepted  
Letter from  
Earl of  
Perth.

My dearest Brother, *Friday*, 18. Feb. 1700.

Since I promised to put in Writing what we had not Time to talk fully of, I am set down to it in the Morning, that my Letter may be ready for the Messenger, if any call.

I told you all that I had heard at *Versailles*, and the favourable Audience I had of *Madame de Maintenon*; for which I beg it of you to return my most humble Thanks to the Queen, and beg of her to be so good as to thank *Madame de Maintenon*, and know from her what can be done in that Matter: It will be a great Charity in the Queen.

I told you, amongst other Things, the great Fleet the King intends to put out this Summer, the Orders being given, and the Money ready, the Stores full, and every one concerned active in their Stations: There is no Doubt but this Fleet will be Master of the Sea for some Time, if not for all the Summer; because the *Dutch* dare not stir till the *English* be ready; and they have long Debates yet before they can be in a Condition to act, if they have the Will; and it is a Question if they will have it at all.

The King never had so favourable a Conjuncture, if he can persuade this King, that his Affairs are really in the Circumstances they are in: But there is the Difficulty.

The King and Queen have more Authority with the King and *Madame de Maintenon*, than any other in the World can have: But that is not all: There should be some one acceptable to the Ministers, who should lay before them these Proofs their Majesties cannot enter into the Detail of, and explain the Reasons, make Plans and Memoirs by their Majesties Approbation, to convince them of the Necessity, and to shew the Easiness of restoring the King, the Glory it brings to their King, and the Advantage to Religion.

How this will be done, their Majesties are wise enough to consider; and I think it is not a Subject fit for me to enter upon: But their Friends in general, who know not the Half of what I know in this Matter, think that it will not be well done by a Protestant Minister, lazy in his Temper, Enemy to *France* by his Inclination, tainted with Commonwealth Principles, and against the King's returning by any other Power than that of the People of *England*, upon Capitulation and Terms; who is suspected of giving Aim to the Compounders, if not worse.

That Mr. *Caryl* is qualified, no man doubts; but, in Society with the other, those who must be instrumental, will not trust him as he ought; so that, so long as the other is within Distance of penetrating the Affairs, they will never think themselves secure.

And yet the King has no such Game to play as by these very Persons who are thus diffident; namely, the true Church of *England* Party, the Catholics, and the Earl of *Arran*: And I shall say something as to every one of

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Perth.

of them. The King cannot but be sensible, that the true Church of *England* Party, and their Principal Head, now, the Bishop of *Norwich*, has been silent of a long Time; and their Majesties may remember what Weight the Court of *France* laid upon their joining the King (I mean the non-swearing Clergy) in case of a Landing.

Therefore all Arts should be tried without Delay, to get them to enter into Correspondence again; and every Impediment ought to be removed; I say, without Exception: And though sometimes it is of hard Digestion for Sovereigns, who ought to be obeyed without Reserve, to yield to the Humours of Subjects; yet Prudence should teach them, when they cannot, without hurting their Affairs, do what they would, to do what they can; and remember the Fable of the Dog, who lost the Substance for the Shadow.

Assurances from the Non-swearers, the soundest and venerablest Part of the *English* Church, would be of great Use at this Time, to persuade *France* to undertake this great Affair: For, besides their own Example at a Landing, and their Preaching and Writing to the People, that their Religion was in no Danger; 'tis most certain, they know better than any others can, what the Church of *England* in general would do for the King's Service; and they being to run all the Hazard, would be better believed at the Court of *France* than any other, as I found by Experience.

As to the Catholicks, and others associate with them, unfortunately for the King, they were thought to have too much Inclination for me; and so have been reckoned as useless to the King: But I must beg Leave to say, That Undertaking was the best Feather in his Wing, and was most thought so by him, and by the Court of *France* too, even to that Degree, that they pretended, if this and the other Article concerning the Clergy, could be made appear, they would concur with the King to invade *England*. They consisted of Seven Regiments of Horse and Dragoons; their Arms, Trumpets, Kettle Drums, Standards, &c. were all ready, and are yet in Security; their Men were all listed, and their Officers chosen, and they had Twenty Horses to a Troop; which Troops lying at a Distance in a Horse Country, Twenty Horses would soon have mounted the rest.

Those who could not divine the Greatness, and the Use, of the Undertaking, blamed the Rashness of it; and even some Churchmen have not been disapproved for endeavouring undutifully, because contrary to the King's written Orders, to break the Design: But I desire you now, for all this, to believe that you have not such another Argument to use to the Court of *France* as this: And if you could make it appear, as it might have been done some Years ago, I should have very good Hopes of this Summer's Work: Nay, let the King have what other Hopes, or even Promises, you please, from the Court of *France*, this is to be encouraged; and, if possible, to be put in the Circumstances it was in; for, if ever there be a Landing in *England* to Purpose, it must be before they can be armed; and they cannot be armed before the Parliament come to a Resolution concerning the War; and considering the few Troops in *England*, suppose these Men to be no better than Militia, what a Diversion would it be!

It is not necessary for me to say any more of this Article, till I know whether their Majesties have as good an Opinion of this Undertaking as I have. If so, I shall shew what I think to be done in it: If otherwise, I shall save the Pains.

As to the Earl of *Arran*, it would be of great Use to have an Understanding with him: He will have none where . . . . . can pry; his All is at Stake; and he ought to be wary with whom he ventures to deal.

I think it better for the King's Service, that the Court Party prevailed in the Manner they have done in the Parliament of *Scotland*, than that the Country Party should have got their Will: Opposition swells the Waters, to a Flood; and so long as the Country Party is not discouraged, they gain more Ground in the Kingdom than they

lose in Government; so that the Disaffection to the Government will increase; and one may judge of the Nation in general, which is of another Temper than this pretended Parliament, or rather Presbyterian Rabble, ill representing the Nation; for since, even in it, there is such a Struggle against the Government, what would there be in a free Parliament, which the P . . . . . of O . . . . . durst never hazard to call?

The Nation then, at least a great Part of it, being disaffected to this Government, it is of the last Consequence, that E. *Arran* may know what to do in case of an Invasion of *England*; or in case he and his Friends be obliged, for Self-preservation, to rise for their own Defence.

The Army, who are, and ever were, well affected, are to be gained by Money; and a little goes a great Way with them.

The disbanded Troops would be engaged, and the Officers are well inclined.

The Places of Strength would be secured, and such as can be put in Defence, without Expences, fortified.

To do all this, at least such a Part of them as can be begun with, a small Sum will serve; and he ought to have Hopes of it, and of the Command.

These being only Heads to be discoursed of, and much to be said of every Part, it is not thought, that this Letter can carry a final Conclusion; for it may be, upon Discourse, I might change my Mind, or be more confirmed in, and see further.

This makes me insist again to you upon Two Things, as appearing to me absolutely necessary, to put Things upon a right Foot.

The First is the Removing of all Impediments out of the Way, and sending all suspected Persons to *Champagne* or *Burgundy*, according to their Goust.

And the Second is of the last Use, both to their Majesties and the Prince: Which is the establishing of such a Number, under no Qualification to talk of their Affairs in their Majesties Presence, with whom we can freely converse and propose what may be for their Majesties Service.

As for the first; it will be for the King's Reputation, both at the Court of *Rome*, *France*, and with all his true Friends in *England*, for many Reasons.

As for the Second; it is according to Scripture, "In the Multitude of Counsellors there is Safety."

Nothing is so dangerous as first to determine what one will do, and then hear Reasons against it; and imitate the deaf Adder, who hearkens not to the Voice of the Charmer, let him charm never so sweetly: Reasons against a Resolution taken, offend; and the more Force they have, they offend the more; whilst, before the Resolution be taken, Reason has its effect, and the Determinations are not the Effects of Humour and Faction, but of Prudence and Justice.

If in any thing I fail, I will swear 'tis Want of Understanding, and not of Will; and I beg, that their Majesties may be persuaded, that it is not Humour nor Vanity, but their Service, I have in my View: Who am, my dearest Brother,

Most humbly yours.

There are no Letters from *England*, I expect, and am promised.

I forgot to tell you, that the Conjuncture ought to be improved, so long as the Court of *France* have the ill Opinion of the Prince of *Orange's* Treachery, discovered lately, in their Hands.

Superscription.

For the Right Honourable the Earl of  
*Perth*, Governor to the Prince,

These:

Ordered, That the Commissioners for executing the State of the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England* do lay before Fleet. this House, To-morrow Morning, an Account of the present State and Condition of the Fleet, and the Victualling thereof; and particularly what Ships are fit to put to Sea,

Sea, and in what Time they may be got ready, and in what Repair.

Navy Debt.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England* do, with all convenient Speed, lay before this House the Debt of the Navy upon the respective Heads of Wages, Victualling, Wear and Tear.

Exchequer Bills.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House, a Copy of the Lords of the Treasury's Authority to the Trustees for circulating Exchequer Bills: And the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Whereas we the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury, out of the Eighteen Persons elected by the Majority of Votes, at a general Meeting of the Subscribers, Contractors for the advancing Money for circulating the Exchequer Bills, not exceeding 1,500,000*l.* pursuant to an Act of Parliament, intituled, An Act for making good the Deficiency of several Funds therein mentioned, and for enlarging the capital Stock of the Bank of *England*, and for raising the Publick Credit, have chosen you, *Bartholomew Burton* Esquire, *Sir William Ashurst*, *James Bateman* Esquire, *John Knight* Esquire, *Sir Henry Furnesse*, and *Sir Joseph Hern*, Trustees on the Part of the King; and you, Mr. *Francis Eyles*, *Sir Theodore Janssen*, *Mordecai Abbot* Esquire, Mr. *Gilbert Heathcote*, Mr. *William Sedgwick*, and *George Doddington* Esquire, being elected by the Majority of Votes, Trustees on the Part of the Contractors:

We do hereby desire you to take the said Trust and Charge upon you; and, in order to the carrying on this Service, we direct you to choose a Book-keeper with an Assistant, a Cashier with Two or more Assistants, with such other Officers, and at such Salaries or Wages, as you shall think necessary, which shall be paid and defrayed by his Majesty.

We do also desire, that you do meet once every Week, at the least, and not less than Seven to be a Quorum, by whose Directions and Orders this whole Service is to be managed; and that Two of you do constantly attend every Day at the Place where your Money is to be deposited, to execute such Orders as shall be given by the said Quorum, or the major Part of them; One of the said Two Persons attending each Day to be of those appointed on the behalf of his Majesty, and the other of those elected on behalf of the Contractors.

And we having, for the greater Ease and Convenience of the Contractors, directed that the First Fourth Payment should be paid into the Chamber of *London*, we do order you to remove the same to such Place in the Exchequer as we shall appoint for that Purpose.

And if, in the Management of this Trust, you do meet with any Difficulty, we direct you to apply to us, as there shall be Occasion. Dated at the Treasury Chambers in *Whitehall*, 7th Day of May 1697.

A true Copy: Examined per  
*Wm. Lowndes*.

*Cha. Mountague,*  
*Ste. Fox,*  
*Tho. Littleton,*  
*Tho. Pelham.*

Conference with Lords.

Mr. *Boyle* reported, That he having, according to Order, been at the Lords, to desire a Conference upon the Subject-matter of their Lordships Message to this House upon *Friday* last, the Lords do agree to a Conference accordingly, in the Painted Chamber, presently.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Boyle*, *Sir John Bolles*, *Sir Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Pagitt*, Mr. *Hopkins*, *Sir Cha. Hotham*, Mr. *Walsh*, Mr. *Hamond*, Mr. *Pelham*, *Sir Rich. Temple*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Lord *Hartington*, *Sir Edward Seymour*, *Sir Chr. Musgrove*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Smith*, *Sir Tho. Meeres*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Lord *Rosse*, Mr. *Finch*, do manage the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Managers, That they acquaint the Lords at the said Conference, That this House, before they were possessed of their Lordships Address, had come to a Resolution of their own;

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which they had directed to be presented to his Majesty; and to deliver back to the Lords their said Address.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And, being returned;

Mr. *Boyle* reported, That the Managers had met the Lords at the Conference, and had delivered back their Lordships Address.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of what Members are concerned in the Clause of the Act, made in the Fifth and Sixth Year of the Reign of his Majesty and the late Queen *Mary*, disabling Persons to be Members of Parliament, be adjourned until *Wednesday* Morning next, Eleven a Clock.

Persons disabled from being Members.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii*, 18<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

13<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of *James Bulteele* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Tavistock*, in the County of *Devon*, by the Majority of legal Electors, who made and tendered to *William Spry* the Portreeve an Indenture for returning of the Petitioner; but absolutely refused so to do; and hath returned *Edward Lord Russell*, on whose behalf many other illegal Practices were used, in Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying that the House will put the said Matter under Examination, and relieve the Petitioner therein.

Tavistock Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Michael Wickes* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*, the Petitioner, Mr. *Pauncefort*, and Mr. *Sam. Shepherd* junior, stood Candidates: That Mr. *Shepherd* was also a Candidate for *Wootton Bassett*, at which Place great Sums of Money were proffered, and many indirect Means used to get Mr. *Shepherd* elected; but he, not succeeding there, came to *Malmsbury* for that Purpose, though an absolute Stranger to both Boroughs; and, by corrupt Practices, procured himself returned, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

Malmsbury Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That no Letters be delivered out by the Postman attending this House, until the Rising of the House.

Delivery of Letters to Members.

A Petition of *William Vaughan* Gentleman, an Infant, by *Walter Vaughan*, of *Trebarryed*, in the County of *Brecon*, Esquire, and *Mary Vaughan* his Guardian, and next Friends, and *Frances Vaughan* an Infant, sole Daughter and Heir of *John Vaughan*, late of *Hergest*, in the County of *Hereford*, Esquire, by *Silvanus Vaughan* Clerk, *Henry Vaughan* Gentleman, *John Lewis* Esquire, and *John Edwards* Clerk, her next Friends and Guardians, was presented

Vaughan's Marriage Articles.

presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That

\* That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir Rowland Gwyn do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Spreading  
false News  
and Reports.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to consider what Laws are in being against the spreading false News and Reports; and what may be further necessary to be done for suppressing the same; and to report their Opinion therein to the House;

And it is referred to Mr. How, Sir Chr. Musgrove, Mr. Smith, Sir John Bolles, Lord Cutts, Sir Robert Davies, Mr. Boyle, Mr. Bridgman, Mr. St. John, Sir Jos. Tredenham, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Townsend, Mr. Stringer, Sir Rich. Onslow, Mr. Dolben, Lord Powlet, Mr. Mounsteven, Sir Fran. Massam, Mr. Rowney, Mr. Jervois, Mr. Hamond, Sir Edward Seymour, Mr. Cha. Boyle, Sir Cha. Barrington, Mr. Carter, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Scobell; or any Five of them: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Privilege.

A Complaint being made to the House, That the Warden of the Fleet hath taken into Custody William Corbet, a Servant to Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, a Member of this House, in Breach of the Privilege of the House;

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections, to examine the Matter of the said Complaint; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for regulating the Prisons of the Fleet, and King's Bench: And that Mr. Carter, Mr. Birch, and Sir Richard Cocks, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Answers to  
Address and  
Resolution.

Mr. Secretary Vernon acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That he would please to order all the Treaties that have been made between his Majesty and any other Prince or State since the late War, to be laid before this House; his Majesty had been pleased to give Order, That they should be copied; and that then either the Originals or Copies, as the House pleased, should be laid before them.

Mr. Speaker reported to the House, That he, with the House, did attend his Majesty Yesterday, with their Resolution of the 14th Instant: And that his Majesty was pleased to give this gracious Answer; viz.

Gentlemen,

I thank you for this Address, and your ready Concurrence to those great Ends therein mentioned, which I take to be extremely important to the Honour and Safety of England; and I assure you, I shall never propose any thing but what is for our common Advantage and Security.

Having this Occasion, I think it proper to acquaint you, That Yesterday I received a Memorial from the Envoy Extraordinary of the States General, a Translation whereof I leave with you: As to the First Part of it, I think it necessary to ask your Advice; and, as to the latter Part, I desire your Assistance.

States General's  
Memorial.

And that his Majesty had been pleased to put into his Hand the said Memorial: Which he read to the House; and is as followeth; viz.

The underwritten Envoy Extraordinary of the States General of the United Provinces has Order to represent to your Majesty, with great Respect, That their High and Mightinesses having considered, that their Delays in owning the Duke of Anjou for King of Spain were subject to sinister Interpretations, as if all their Aim had been to gain Time to put themselves into a Posture to make War, having thought themselves obliged to proceed to the acknowledging the Duke of Anjou without any Conditions, reserving to themselves to stipulate, in

the Negotiation they are now entering upon, the necessary Conditions for securing the Peace of Europe; in such Negotiation the States are firmly resolved not to do any thing without the Concurrence of your Majesty, and the other Potentates concerned in the Preservation of the said Peace, as they have expressly declared to the Ambassador of France. The Underwritten has, in particular, the strictest Orders to give your Majesty the most positive Assurances that can be, that the States will not take any Step in this important Affair, but in Concert with your Majesty; praying, to that Purpose, that you will please to give your Minister at the Hague Instructions, and necessary Orders, to act jointly in this Negotiation; not to conclude any thing one without the other, and unless England and Holland shall equally find their Security; which, at the same time, tends to the Confirmation of the publick Quiet: But as it may so happen, that it shall not be possible to agree with France and Spain on reasonable Conditions; and so, the Negotiation being interrupted, the States should on a sudden be attacked by the numerous Forces that France has sent to their very Frontiers; they have ordered the Underwritten to represent to your Majesty the extreme Necessity they shall have, in so great a Danger, of the Assistance of England; and to desire your Majesty will be pleased to order the Succours, agreed on by the Treaty, to be in a Readiness; so that, if Occasion be, they may depend upon them. At London,  $\frac{1}{2}$  February 1701.

Adm. Van Borsssele,  
Tot' Gelder Malsen.

Resolved, Nemine contradicente, That this House will, upon Thursday Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of his Majesty's gracious Answer.

The King's  
Answer to be  
considered.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House, as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, That he will please to cause the Treaty between England and the States General, of the 3d of March 1677, and all the Renewals thereof since that time, to be laid before the House.

Treaty  
with Hol-  
land, 1677.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Supply Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Motion made on Saturday last, for a Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning at Eleven a Clock.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Mercurii, 19° die Februarii;

13° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Serge or Worsted-weavers, Woollen Manufacturers, and other Woollen-weavers, living in and near the Town of Taunton, in the County of Somerset, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That many Thousand Persons are employed in the said Trade, the most laborious of whom can scarce get a Maintenance, by reason that many who never served their Time to it, intrude into their Trade, and sink the Wages usually given, upon a general received Notion there, that Serge-weaving is no Trade within the Statutes requiring Seven Years Apprenticeship; whereby the Poor of Taunton are very



very much increased: And praying the House to commiserate their low Condition, and relieve them therein, by such Means as the House shall think most meet.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to inspect the Laws in being, relating to the Woollen Manufactures:

And it is referred to Mr. Clark, Sir Edward Seymour, Mr. Fortescue, Sir John Kay, Mr. England, Mr. Harvey, Sir William Coriton, Mr. Rowney, Mr. Clayton, Sir Robert Cotton, Sir John Molesworth, Sir Jacob Ashley, Mr. Musgrove, Mr. Mounsteven, Sir William Robinson, Mr. Graham, Mr. Boscawen, Mr. Chetwyn, Mr. Godolphin, Mr. Dyot, Sir John Phillips, Mr. Rolt, Mr. Birch, Mr. Henley, Sir Hump. Mackworth, Mr. Brewer, Mr. Roberts, Sir Bryan Stapleton, Mr. Blofield, Mr. Thompson, Sir John Cotton, Mr. Pierpoint, Mr. Dolben, Sir Barth. Shower; and all that serve for the Counties of Cornwall, Devon, Gloucester, Norfolk, Somerset, Wilts, Suffolk, and York: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do consider of, and report their Opinion, what more is necessary for the Regulation and Improvement of the Woollen Manufactures of this Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they do consider what may be necessary for the Improvement of the Linen Manufacture.

Truro Writ.

*Hugh Fortescue* Esquire, being elected a Burgess for the Borough of *Tregoney*; and also a Burgess for the Borough of *Truro*, in the County of *Cornwall*; made his Election to serve for the said Borough of *Tregony*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown; to make out a new Writ for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Truro*, in the room of the said Mr. Fortescue.

Lamps to be set up on Stairs of the House.

*Ordered*, That Lamps be set up every Night upon the Stairs to this House, and in the Passages, and other convenient Places, for the better Accommodation of the Members, in their Attendance upon the Service of the House, and Committees.

Order against Gaming.

*Ordered*, That the Constables in waiting do take care there be no Gaming, or other Disorders, in *Westminster-hall*, during the Sitting of Parliament; and that there be no Annoyance by Chairmen, or otherwise, thereabouts.

Attendance of Committee of Privileges.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do give Orders to the Doorkeepers and Messengers of the House, constantly to attend the Committee of Privileges and Elections, and other Committees sitting in the House, and take care that no Person do croud or sit upon the Stairs, either below, or above, in the Gallery where the Members ought to sit; and that such Witnesses as shall be examined at the said Committee do attend in the Lobby, and be called in one by one, and severally examined; and then withdraw, for others to come in, and be examined; and that the Passage be kept clear for that Purpose.

*Ordered and Declared*, That the said Orders be standing Orders of the House.

List of the Royal Navy, &c.

Sir *George Rooke*, according to Order, presented to the House a List of all the Ships and Vessels of his Majesty's Royal Navy, with the Condition of such as are in Ordinary, according to the present Appearance thereof; and where those at Sea, and ordered to Sea, now are: And also,

An Account of what Ships are in the *Downes*, ordered to the *Downes*, and what are ordered to be fitted out and manned, &c. And also,

A State of Provisions in Store at *London*, *Portsmouth*, *Plymouth*, *Dover*, and *Chatham*: And also,

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An Estimate of the Debt of his Majesty's Navy, on the several Heads thereof.

And the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

The said List of all the Ships and Vessels of his Majesty's Royal Navy; with the Condition of such as are in Ordinary, according to the present Appearance thereof; and where those at Sea, and ordered to Sea, now are.

Rate.	Names.	In Sea Pay.	In Condition to be fitted for the Sea.	Wanting Repairs.		Where at present, or to what Place ordered.
				Under Repair.	Great or rebuilding.	
1	St. Andrew	—	—	—	✓	
	Britannia	—	✓	—	—	
	London	—	—	—	✓	
	Queen	—	—	—	—	
	Victory	—	—	—	—	
	Royal William	—	—	—	—	
	Royal Sovereign	—	—	✓	—	
	7	4	1	2		
2	Association	—	✓	—	—	
	Albemarle	—	—	—	✓	
	Barfleur	—	—	—	—	
	Duke	—	—	—	—	
	Duchess	—	—	—	—	
	St. George	—	—	—	—	
	Royal Katharine	—	—	—	—	
	St. Michael	—	—	—	—	
	Neptune	—	—	—	—	
	Ossery	—	—	—	—	
	Sandwich	—	—	—	—	
	Namure	—	—	—	—	
	Triumph	—	—	—	—	
	Vanguard	—	—	—	—	
	14	5	3	6		
3	Berwick	✓	—	—	—	{ Guardship at <i>Sheerness</i> .
	Boyne	—	—	—	—	
	Bredah	—	—	—	—	{ Guardship at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Burford	—	—	—	—	{ Ordered to the <i>Downs</i> .
	Captain	—	—	—	—	
	Cornwall	—	—	—	—	
	Chichester	—	—	—	—	{ Ordered to the <i>Downs</i> .
	Cambridge	—	—	—	—	
	Cumberland	—	—	—	—	
	Content Prize	—	—	—	—	
	Defyance	—	—	—	—	{ Guardship at <i>Plymouth</i> .
	Devonshire	—	—	—	—	
	Dorsetshire	—	—	—	—	
	Eagle	—	—	—	—	{ Ordered to the <i>Downs</i> .
	Edgar	—	—	—	—	{ Guardship at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Elizabeth	—	—	—	—	
	Essex	—	—	—	—	{ Guardship at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Expedition	—	—	—	—	
	Grafton	—	—	—	—	{ Guardship at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Hampton-court	—	—	—	—	
	Humber	—	—	—	—	
	Ipswich	—	—	—	—	
	Kent	—	—	—	—	
	Lancaster	—	—	—	—	
	Lenox	—	—	—	—	
	Monmouth	—	—	—	—	
	Norfolk	—	—	—	—	
	Northumberland	—	—	—	—	
	Newark	—	—	—	—	
	Nassau	—	—	—	—	{ Ordered to the <i>Downs</i> .
	Royal Oak	—	—	—	—	



## List of the Royal Navy.

Rate.	Names.	In Sea Pay.	In Condition to be fitted for the Sea.	Under Repair.	Wanting Repairs.		Where at present, or to what Place ordered.	
					Great or re-building.	Lesser.		
3	Orford	✓	✓				{ Ordered to the Downs.	
	Resolution	✓	✓					
	Restauration		✓					
	Rupert	✓	✓					
	Russell	✓	✓					
	Ranelagh	✓	✓					
	Revenge	✓	✓					
	Sterling Castle	✓	✓					
	Suffolk	✓	✓					
	Swiftsure	✓	✓					
	Shrewsbury	✓	✓				{ Guardship at Plymouth.	
	Somerset	✓	✓					
	Torbay	✓	✓					
	Warspight	✓	✓		✓			
	Yarmouth	✓	✓		✓			
		46	11	22	5	4	4	
4	Assistance	✓	✓				In the Hope. New England. East Indies.	
	Advice	✓	✓					
	Anglesey	✓	✓					
	Bristol	✓	✓			✓	{ Ordered to the Downs.	
	Bonadventure		✓					
	Burlington	✓	✓					
	Blackwell	✓	✓					
	Canterbury	✓	✓				{ Sheerness, ordered to the Downs.	
	Centurion	✓	✓					
	Chatham	✓	✓					
	Chester	✓	✓					
	Crown	✓	✓					
	Colchester	✓	✓					
	Coventry	✓	✓					
	Deptford	✓	✓					
	Dover	✓	✓					
	Dragon	✓	✓					
	Dunkirk	✓	✓				Chatham.	
	Dreadnought	✓	✓					
	Dartmouth	✓	✓					
	Exeter	✓	✓					
	Falmouth	✓	✓					
	Falkland	✓	✓					
	Greenwich	✓	✓					
	Gloucester		✓					
	Guernsey	✓	✓					
	Harwich	✓	✓					East Indies. In the Downs.
	Hampshire	✓	✓					
	Jersey	✓	✓				Portsmouth.	
	Kingston	✓	✓					
	Kingfisher	✓	✓					
	Lincoln	✓	✓					
	Litchfield	✓	✓					
	Medway	✓	✓					
	Monk	✓	✓					
	Mary	✓	✓					
	Mountague	✓	✓					
	Norwich	✓	✓					
	Newcastle	✓	✓				{ Sheerness, or in the Downs.	
	Nonsuch	✓	✓					
	Oxford	✓	✓			✓		
	Portland	✓	✓				{ Ordered to the Downs.	
	Pembroke	✓	✓					
	Pendennis	✓	✓				{ Ordered to the Downs.	
	Plymouth	✓	✓					
	Reserve	✓	✓				Gone to Guinca. Portsmouth.	
	Rochester	✓	✓					
	Ruby	✓	✓				{ Ordered to the Downs.	
	Rumney	✓	✓					
	Southampton	✓	✓				At Deptford.	

Rate.	Names.	In Sea Pay.	In Condition to be fitted for the Sea.	Under Repair.	Wanting Repairs.		Where at present, or to what Place ordered.
					Great or rebuilding.	Lesser.	
4	Sunderland	✓					Portsmouth.
	Severne	✓	✓				Downs.
	Salisbury	✓					
	Tiger	✓			✓		Cadiz.
	Tilbury	✓					
	Weymouth	✓	✓				
	Woolwich	✓		✓			
	Windsor	✓	✓				
	Warwick	✓	✓				
	Winchester	✓					} Downs.
	Worcester	✓					
	York	✓	✓				
		62	20	35	4	1	2
5 <sup>th</sup>	Adventure		✓				
	Arrundell	✓	✓				New England.
	Betty	✓	✓				
	Bedford Gally	✓	✓				{ On the Coast of Ireland.
	Bridgwater	✓	✓				
	Charles Gally	✓	✓				
	Dolphin	✓		✓			
	Experiment	✓		✓			
	Fowey	✓					At Jamaica.
	Feversham	✓					{ Coming to the Downs.
	Gosport	✓					
	Hastings	✓					Portsmouth.
	Kinsale	✓	✓				East Indies.
	Lyme	✓					{ Sheerness, ordered to the Downs.
	Lynn	✓					
	Laystoff	✓					Sheerness.
	Lewis Prize	✓					Downs.
	Loo	✓				✓	
	Ludlow	✓					Coast of Ireland.
	Mary Gally	✓					Barbadoes.
	Mermaide	✓	✓				
	Milford	✓					{ On the Coast of Guinea.
	Poole	✓					
	Roebuck	✓					Downs.
	Rye	✓					{ On a particular Service.
	Sheerness	✓					
	Saudadoes Prize	✓	✓				Isle of May.
	Shoreham	✓			✓		
	Sorlings	✓		✓			Virginica.
	Speedwell	✓			✓		
	Scarborough	✓					Portsmouth.
	Terrible	✓	✓				
	Winchelsea	✓	✓				
		33	17	9	3	2	2
6 <sup>th</sup>	Dunwich	✓					Downs.
	Deal Castle	✓					Leeward Islands.
	Essex Prize	✓					Downs.
	Flamborough	✓					{ Deptford, ordered to the Downs.
	Lizard	✓					
	Maidstone	✓			✓		East Indies.
	Margate	✓					Jamaica.
	Newport	✓					{ Deptford, ordered to the Downs.
	Penzance	✓					
	Peregrine Gally	✓					Ditto.
	Quinborough	✓					Deptford.
	Swan	✓					{ Sheerness, ordered to the Downs.
	Solebay	✓					
	Seahorse	✓					{ On the Coast of Ireland.
	Seaford	✓	✓				
		15	13	1	0	1	0

Names.

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Names.	In Sea Pay.	In Condition to be fitted for the Sea.	Wanting Repairs.		Where at present, or to what Place ordered.	Names.	In Sea Pay.	In Condition to be fitted for the Sea.	Wanting Repairs.		Where at present, or to what Place ordered.
			Under Repair.	Great or re-building.					Under Repair.	Great or re-building.	
Fireships.						Sloops.					
Firebrand		✓				St. Antonio	✓				Deptford.
Griffin		✓		✓		Bonetta	✓				
Hunter		✓				Hound	✓				
Hawke		✓		✓		Merlin	✓				
Lightning		✓				Otter	✓	✓			
Phoenix		✓				Prohibition	✓				} On the Coast of Ireland.
Strombolo		✓				Shark	✓				
Vulture		✓				Swallow	✓				
Vulcan		✓		✓		Swift	✓				
Vesuvius		✓				Wolf	✓				
10	0	7	0	3	0	10	9	1	0	0	0
Bombs.						Pink.					
Basilisk		✓				Paramour				✓	
Blast		✓				Ketches.					
Carcass		✓				Providence		✓			
Commett		✓				Martin		✓			
Firedrake		✓				2	0	2	0	0	0
Furnace		✓				Store Ships.					
Granada		✓				Canterbury	✓				Brist. Chanel.
Mortar		✓				Katherine				✓	
Portsmouth		✓				Suffolk Hagboat	✓				
Salamander					✓	Greenfish		✓			
Starr					✓	4	2	1	0	1	0
Serpent		✓				Hulks.					
Terror		✓				Asia		✓			
13	0	11	0	0	2	Arms of Rot-terdam				✓	
Yachts.						Chatham	✓				
Charlott	✓				River Thames.	St. David	✓				
Cleveland		✓			} River Thames.	Exeter	✓				
Fubbs	✓					Jersey.	French Ruby	✓			
Henrietta	✓				Isle of Wight.	Josiah	✓				
Isabella	✓				} River Thames.	Loyalty Prize	✓				
Isle of White	✓					Deptford.	Medway Prize	✓			
Jemmy		✓			Coast of Ireland.	Plymouth	✓				
Catharine					Plymouth.	Success	✓				
Mary	✓				River Thames.	Thunderbolt Prize	✓				
Quinbrough	✓					12	10	1	0	1	0
Soesdyke	✓					Hoys.					
Squirrel	✓	✓				Delight		✓			
St. Lowe	✓					Forrester		✓			
Wm. and Mary	✓					Lighter		✓			
14	11	3	0	0	0	Marygold		✓			
Advice Boats.						Nonsuch		✓			
Expresse	✓				Guernsey.	Sophia		✓			
Eagle	✓				Deptford.	Supply		✓			
Messenger	✓				Maryland.	Sheerness		✓			
Scout Boat		✓				Water Boat		✓			
4	3	1	0	0	0	Transporter		✓			
Brigantines.						Truelove		✓			
Discovery					✓	Unity Horse Boat		✓			
Dispatch		✓				Unity (2)		✓			
Diligence				✓		Unity (3)		✓			
Fly					✓						
Post Boy					✓						
Spy	✓										
6	1	1	1	0	3						

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List of the  
Royal Navy.

Names.	In Sea Pay.	In Condition to be fitted for the Sea.	Wanting Repairs.	
			Under Repair.	Great or re-building.
Hoys.				
Transport		✓		
Lighter				
Endeavour		✓		
1st Smack.				
Owners		✓		
Goodwill Hoy				
16	16			
Smacks.				
Royal Escape			✓	
Flemish Long-boats		✓		
2	1	1		
Tow Boats Two		✓		

Abstract.

Rates.	N <sup>o</sup> .	In Sea Pay.	In Condition to be fitted for the Sea.	Under Repair.	Wanting Repairs.
				Great or re-building.	Lesser.
First - - - - -	7		4	1	2
Second - - - - -	14		5	3	6
Third - - - - -	47	12	22	5	4
Fourth - - - - -	62	20	35	4	1
Fifth - - - - -	33	17	9	3	2
Sixth - - - - -	15	13	1		1
Fireships - - - - -	10		7		3
Bombs - - - - -	13		11		2
Yachts - - - - -	14	11	3		
Advice Boats - - - - -	4	3	1		
Brigantines - - - - -	6	1	1	1	3
Sloops - - - - -	10	9	1		
Pink - - - - -	1				1
Ketches - - - - -	2		2		
Storeships - - - - -	4	2	1		1
Hulks - - - - -	12		11		1
Hoys - - - - -	16		16		
Smacks - - - - -	2		1		1
Tow Boats - - - - -	2		2		
Total - - - - -	247	88	133	17	21

*Memorandum*, His Majesty's Ships, said by this List to be in a Condition to be fitted to Sea, may, it's hoped, be gradually made ready and the Whole dispatched, except manning, in Two Months or Ten Weeks time, if Money be timely appointed for carrying on the current Year.

It is also hoped, if Money shall be appointed for it, that Victuals may be provided for them in the same time.

*J. Bridgwater, Haversham,  
G. Rooke, D. Mitchell,  
Geo. Churchill.*

18 Feb. 1707, Admiralty Office.

The said Account of what Ships are in the *Downes*; ordered to the *Downes*; and what are ordered to fitted out and manned, &c.

Rates

Winchester	
Hampshire	
4 Worcester	
Salisbury	
5 Lowstoffs	
Poole	

In the *Downes*.

Rates.

6 Essex Prize	
4 { Portland	
Crown	
5 { Lyme	
Lynn	
Feversham	
6 { Queenborough	
Penzance	
Newport	
Flambrough	
3 { Revenge	
Eagle	
Burford	
Nassau	
Chichester	
4 { Plymouth	
Burlington	
Romney	
3 { Shrewsbury	
Defiance	
Bredah	
Edgar	
4 Ruby	
Essex	
3 { Grafton	
Berwick	
4 Falmouth	
4 { Colchester	
Oxford	
Pendennis	
5 { Adventure	
Charles Gally	
Lynn	
6 Seaford	
Fireships.	
Lightning	
Phenix	
4 Assistance	
Southampton	
5 { Gosport	
Scarborough	
6 Seahorse	
Eagle Advice Boat	

In the *Downes*.

Ordered to the *Downes*, and will be there in little time.

Are now procuring Men, and will proceed to the *Downes* as soon as manned; but that is uncertain.

These Ships are just now ordered to be manned; but cannot be so soon ready as the other.

These Ships are ordered to be forthwith put into a Condition to receive Men.

These Ships are ordered to the Plantations; but may be detained, if the Service require it; and 'tis hoped they will soon be ready.

Abstract.

Rate	N <sup>o</sup>
3 - - - - -	12
4 - - - - -	16
5 - - - - -	10
6 - - - - -	8
Fireships - - - - -	2

48 In all.

By Command of their  
Lordships,  
*J. Burchett.*

*J. Bridgwater, Haversham,  
G. Rooke, D. Mitchell,  
Geo. Churchill.*

The said States of Provisions in Store at *London, Portsmouth, Plymouth, Dover, and Chatham.*

Nature of Provisions { How long it will suffice  
10,000 Men.

Biscuit - - - - -	16 Days.
Beer - - - - -	5 Days.
Beef - - - - -	32 Weeks.
Pork - - - - -	38 Weeks.
Peas - - - - -	25 Weeks.
Oatmeal - - - - -	6 Weeks.
Butter - - - - -	1 Week.
Cheese - - - - -	1½ Week.

*Memorandum*, That Bread and Beer is baked and brewed at the King's Bakehouses and Brewhouses, and by Bakers and Brewers in Contract, as there is occasion; and the Butter and Cheese is to be delivered by the Cheesemonger in Contract, as it is required of him.

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The Commissioners for Victualling are daily making further Provisions both here, and at the Out-ports, of Beef, and Pork, and other Species, towards completing the Declaration for 10,000 Men.

And there is also Provision made for Victuals for 300 Men, for 13 Months in *Ireland*, being Part of the

Declaration; of which there is no Notice taken in the above Account.

By Command of their Lordships, *J. Bridgwater, Haversham, G. Rooke, Dr Mitchell, J. Burchett. Geo. Churchill.*

The said Estimate of the Debt of his Majesty's Navy, on the several Heads thereof.

		£.	s.	d.
Due on Bills in the Second Book; namely, Pursers Balance Bills, and for extraordinary necessary Money, Pensions, Half-pays, Surgeons, Freegift, &c. occurred before this Reign		40,980	10	7
Wear and Tear, Ordinary, and Extraordinary Repairs.				
Due to pay off, and discharge, all the Bills entered in Course of the Ordinary and Extraordinary of his Majesty's Navy, and all other Debts arising for Stores delivered, for which Bills were not made out with the Debt of the Out Ports		287,421	1	2
To his Majesty's Yards and Rope Yards, for the Ordinary and Extraordinary thereof		150,629	17	10
Seamens Wages :				
Due to Ships paid off, since the 13th February 1688, in the Order of Time as they were paid, calculated from the Ships Books, by casting each Man's Wages remaining unpaid thereon		429,405	6	2
To Ships in Sea Pay		270,910	0	0
To pay off, and discharge, all the Bills entered in Course, for the Pay of Flag Officers, Pilotage, &c. on the Head of Seamens Wages		18,686	13	8
Victualling :				
Due on Account of victualling his Majesty's Navy, according to an Account received from the Commissioners thereof		171,712	16	3
Half-pays :				
Due to Flag Officers, Commanders, Lieutenants, and Masters, who have served his Majesty in his Fleet at Sea, in the late War, pursuant to his Majesty's Order in Council, on that behalf, as followeth ; viz.				
By that dated 22d Feb. 1693		35,225	13	2
The other the 18th Apr. 1790		9,824	0	0
Sick and Wounded :				
Due for the Service of the Sick and Wounded, as by an Account from the late Commissioners thereof		53,206	2	10
For the like Service, since that Business was transferred to the Register Office, as by an Account received from those Commissioners		840	0	0
Register Office :				
Due to the Seamen that have registered, pursuant to an Act of Parliament on that behalf, according to an Account received from the Commissioners thereof		77,863	14	0
		1,546,705	15	8
Abate,				
Towards satisfying of the said Debts		£.	s.	d.
Remaining unordered by the Lords of the Treasury of the last Year's Appropriation		38,611	12	9
Remaining in Money and Tallies in the present Treasurer of the Navy's Hands		173,861	9	7
		212,273	2	4
		£. 1,334,232	13	4

Total, One Million Three hundred Thirty-four thousand Two hundred Thirty-two Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Fourpence.

*J. Bridgwater, G. Rooke, D. Mitchell, Geo. Churchill.*

Ordered, That the said List, Account, State, and Estimate, do lie upon the Table, to be perused and considered by the Members of the House.

Comple-  
ments of Men  
for 1st to 4th  
Rates.

Ordered, That the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England* do, To-morrow Morning, lay before this House an Account of the respective Complements of Men, for the 1st, 2d, 3d, and 4th Rates, ready to go to Sea.

Regulating  
Militia.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for regulating, and making more useful, the Militia of this Kingdom: And that Mr. *Pagitt*, Mr. *Moncton*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, and Sir *Geo. Hungerford*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, who were to consider of

the Motion for a Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table; where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty.

Ordered, That the Commissioners of the Navy do lay before the House, an Account of what Progress hath been made in passing the respective Accounts of the Navy.

Ordered, That the Commissioners of the Navy do lay before

Naval  
Accounts.

**Deduction of Poundage.** before this House a State of the Deductions of Poundage taken for Slop Cloaths, dead Mens Cloaths, and other Deductions.

**Resolutions for repaying with Interest Money to be advanced.** *Resolved, Nemine contradicente,* That whosoever shall advance, or lend into his Majesty's Exchequer, the Sum of Five hundred thousand Pounds for the Service of the Fleet, shall be repaid the same, with Interest at Six Pounds per Cent. per Annum out of the first Aids to be granted this Session.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente,* That whosoever shall advance, or lend into his Majesty's Exchequer, the Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds, for the Subsistence of the Guards and Garisons, shall be repaid the same, with Interest at Six Pounds per Cent. per Annum out of the first Aids to be granted this Session.

**Supply.** *Resolved,* That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself in a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

**Newport Election.** The Lord *Cutts*, being chosen Knight of the Shire for the County of *Cambridge*; and also a Burgess for the Borough of *Newport*, alias *Modena*, in the County of *Southampton*; made his Election to serve for the County of *Cambridge*.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Newport*, alias *Modena*, in the room of the said Lord *Cutts*.

**Exchequer Bills.** Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House the Seventh Contract for circulating Exchequer Bills: And the Title thereof was read.

The Contract is in a Roll by itself.

**Persons disabled from being Members.** The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration, what Members are concerned in the Clause of the Act, made in the 5th and 6th Years of the Reign of his Majesty and the late Queen, disabling Persons to be Members of Parliament:

And the Clause was read.

And Sir *Henry Furnesse*, a Member of this House, being charged to be one of the Trustees for circulating Exchequer Bills, and to have acted under that Trust since he was a Member;

To which the said Sir *Henry Furnesse*, being heard in his Place, acknowledged that he was one of the said Trustees; and that he acted under that Trust since he was a Member; but that he conceived himself not to be within the said Clause, as being concerned only for the Subscribers Money.

And then he withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Sir *Henry Furnesse* Knight, a Member of the House of Commons, having, since his being elected a Member of this present Parliament, been concerned, and acted, as a Trustee for the circulating Exchequer Bills, is guilty of a Breach of the Act, made in the 5th and 6th Years of the Reign of his Majesty and the late Queen *Mary*, intituled, An Act for granting to their Majesties certain Rates and Duties upon Salt, and upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors; for securing certain Recompences and Advantages, in the said Act mentioned, to such Persons as shall voluntarily advance the Sum of Ten hundred thousand Pounds, towards carrying on the War against *France*;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Gwynn*,  
Colonel *Granville*: } 186.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Rodney Bridges*,  
Mr. *Stonehouse*: } 181.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Resolved,* That the said Sir *Henry Furnesse* be, for the Breach of the said Act, expelled this House.

*Ordered,* That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 20° die Februarii;*

Anno 13° *Gulielmi Tertii.*

PRAYERS.

**A** PETITION of *George Booth* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner stood a Candidate to be elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Lestwithiell*, in the County of *Cornwall*; but by several illegal Practices, Sir *John Molesworth* and *John Buller* Esquire have obtained a Return to serve for the said Borough, to the great Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying Relief therein.

*Lestwithiell Election.*

*Ordered,* That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections; And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Mr. *Carter*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*: And the same was received.

*King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.*

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Resolved,* That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, take into further Consideration the Clause of the Act, made in the 5th and 6th Years of the Reign of his Majesty and the late Queen *Mary*, disabling Persons to be Members of Parliament.

*Persons disabled from being Members.*

*Ordered,* That *Gilbert Heathcott* Esquire do attend this House in his Place, on *Saturday* Morning next.

*Resolved,* That a Committee be appointed, to inquire into the Abuses committed in the Revenues of Hospitals; and to report their Opinion, how the same may be remedied for the future:

*Hospitals, &c.*

And it is referred to Colonel *Byerly*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Sir *John Cordell*, Sir *Geo. Hungerford*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Foley*, Sir *Roxl. Gwynn*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Dolben*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Topham*, Sir *Henry Goff*, Mr. *Bridgman*, Sir *John Bolles*, Earl of *Ranelagh*, Mr. *Dyot*, Sir *John Molesworth*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Mountstevens*, Mr. *Marks*, Mr. *Dunch*, Sir *Robert Jenkinson*, Mr. *Walmsley*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Harris*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Roxney*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Proby*, Sir *Cha. Pye*, Mr. *Pagitt*, Sir *Fra. Masham*, Mr. *Moncton*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Gott*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Brewer*, Sir *Geo. Markham*, Sir *Wm. Ellis*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Sir *Ja. How*, Mr. *Jennings*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Drake*, Lord *Chenie*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *Cha. Turner*, Sir *Robert Dacres*, Mr. *Onslow*, Mr. *Bucknall*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Ash*, Mr. *Yates*, Sir *John Kay*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Sir *John Phillips*, Sir *Robert Beddingfield*, Mr. *Townshend*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Colonel *Lee*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Thynn*, Sir *Bryan Stapleton*, Mr. *Gorges*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Walpole*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Ordered,* That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do also inquire into any perpetual Charities, and the Abuses committed in them; and report their Opinion concerning the same.

*Ordered,* That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Qualification of Members to serve in the House of Commons; and for the further Regulating of Elections:

*Regulating Elections, &c.*

And it is referred to Mr. *How*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Barth. Shower*,



Shower, Sir *Tho. Powys*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Topham*, Sir *William Coriton*; or any Three of them; to prepare and bring in the Bill.

Treaty with  
Holland.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That his Majesty, according to their Address, had been pleased to give him Direction to lay before this House, Copies of the Treaty with the States General of the *United Provinces*, of the 3d of March 1677; and the Renewals thereof, since that time: And he presented the same to the House accordingly; viz.

A Copy of the Treaty of the 3d of March 1677, and the Translation thereof: And also,

A Copy of the Ratification of the 17th of August 1685, and the Translation thereof: And also,

A Copy of the Renewal of the Treaties of the 24th of August 1689, and a Translation thereof:

The Titles whereof were read:

And the said Translations are as follow; viz.

The said Translation of the Treaty of the 3d of March 1677.

Whereas the most Serene King of *Great Britain*, besides the strict Engagements he has already entered into with the States General of the *United Provinces*, for the Preservation of the *Spanish Netherlands*, and the Support of their common Interest of that Part of *Europe*, is very desirous to come, at the same time, into a perpetual defensive League with the said States, for the mutual Preservation of each other, their Subjects and Countries, against all those that should undertake to attack them, or molest or injure them in any wise whatsoever: And the said States, being likewise desirous, on their Part, to enter into the said perpetual Alliance of a defensive Treaty with his Majesty, have given Power to Mr. *Van Beuninghen*, their Ambassador, with his Majesty, to treat and conclude the said Alliance: His said Majesty having named on his Side, for Commissioners, *Heneage Baron Finch*, Lord High Chancellor of *England*; *Thomas Earl of Danby*, Lord High Treasurer of *England*; *Henry Earl of Arlington*, Lord Chamberlain of his Majesty's Household; *Henry Coventry* Esquire, and Sir *Joseph Williamson* Knight, his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State: The said Commissioners, and the said Ambassador after several Meetings and Conferences, have, by virtue of their respective Powers, Copies whereof are inserted at the End of these Presents, agreed and concluded that which followeth:

(1.)

There shall be, for the future, between the King, and his Successors, Kings of *Great Britain*, and his Kingdoms, on one, and the States General of the *United Provinces* on the other Side, their States, and Territories belonging to them, and their Subjects reciprocally, a sincere, firm, and perpetual Friendship, and good Correspondence, as well by Sea as by Land, in all Things, and every where, both without and within *Europe*.

(2.)

Moreover, there shall be between his Majesty, and his Successors, Kings of *Great Britain*, and his Kingdoms, and the said States General, and their States, and Territories belonging to them, a strict Alliance and faithful Confederation for the mutual Preservation and Maintenance of each other in Tranquillity, Peace, Amity, and Neutrality, by Sea and Land; and in the Possession of all the Rights, Privileges, and Liberties, they enjoy, or have Right to enjoy, or which they have acquired, or shall obtain by Treaties of Peace, Amity, and Neutrality, heretofore made, or which shall hereafter be made, jointly, and in common Concert, with other Kings, Republicks, Princes, and Cities: Yet all this within the Extent of *Europe* only.

(3.)

And therefore they both promise and oblige themselves to keep not only all the Treaties, which his Majesty and the said States General have already made with other Kings, Republicks, Princes and States, which shall be exhibited by both Parties, before the Exchange of the

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Ratifications; but also all those which they shall make hereafter, jointly, and in common Concert; and to defend, assist, and maintain, one another reciprocally in the Possession of the Countries, Cities, and Places, which at present belong, or hereafter shall appertain, as well to his Majesty, and his Successors, Kings of *Great Britain*, as to the said States General, by the aforesaid Treaties, in whatsoever Part of *Europe* the said Countries, Towns, and Places, are situated; in case, that in whatsoever is abovementioned, his Majesty, or the said States General, shall be disturbed, or attacked by any Hostility, or open War, by whom, or upon what Pretence, soever.

(4.)

The reciprocal Obligation to assist and defend each other, is likewise understood for preserving and maintaining his Majesty, and the said States General, their Countries and Subjects, in all their Rights, Possessions, Immunities, and Liberties, as well of Navigation and Commerce, as in all other respects both by Sea and Land, which shall belong to them by common Right, or which they shall acquire by Treaties made, or to be made, as aforesaid against all Kings, Princes, Republicks, or States: So that, if, in Prejudice of the said Tranquillity, Peace, Amity or Neutrality, present or future, his Majesty, or the said States General, shall hereafter be attacked, or in any other Manner whatsoever disturbed in the Possession of the Dominions, Territories, Towns, and Places, Rights, Immunities, and Liberties of Commerce, Navigation, or otherwise, which his Majesty, or the said States General, enjoy at present, or shall have Right to enjoy, by common Law, or by Treaties already made, or which shall be made as aforesaid; his Majesty, and the said States General, having Notice thereof, and being desired one by the other, shall jointly do their utmost to stop any Disturbance or Hostility, and to procure Satisfaction for the Wrong and Injuries done to one of the Allies.

(5.)

And in case the said Attack or Disturbance should be followed by an open Rupture, he of the Two Allies that shall not be attacked, shall be obliged to break, Two Months after the first Request of the Ally that shall already be in the Rupture; during which time he shall do his Endeavours by his Ambassadors, or other Ministers, to mediate an equitable Agreement between the Aggressor or Disturber, and the Attacked or Disturbed: And, notwithstanding, shall in the mean time, give a strong Succour to his Ally, such as shall be agreed on by the separate Articles between his Majesty and the said States General; which, though there be no mention made of them in this present Article, shall be kept and observed as if they were therein inserted and written: However, after the Expiration of the said Time of Two Months, it shall be left to the choice of him of the Allies, that shall be in the Rupture, to continue to enjoy the Advantage of the said Succour, in case the Conjunction of the Time, and the State of his Affairs, make him prefer the Effect thereof before that of an open Rupture of his Ally.

(6.)

The reciprocal Guaranty being in this manner settled and promised, when either of the Allies shall be attacked or disturbed; if the State of the *United Provinces* comes to be attacked, and shall be obliged to enter into an open War, his Majesty shall likewise be obliged to break with the Aggressor or Disturber, and to employ all his Power, and all his Forces by Sea and Land, and to join them with those of the said States General, when it shall be thought convenient, in order to bring the common Enemy to an honourable, safe, and equitable Agreement with *Great Britain*, and the said *United Provinces*.

(7.)

And, in this case, the Forces of his Majesty of *Great Britain*, and of the said States General, shall act jointly and separately, according to what shall be then more particularly concerted between his Majesty and the said States General; who, together, shall advise and resolve upon the most proper Ways and Means to annoy the common Enemy, either by way of Diversion or otherwise, to the

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end, as aforesaid, that he may the sooner be brought to an Agreement.

(8.)

The same that is contained in the Two Articles, which do immediately precede this, shall be performed by the said States, in case *England* shall be attacked or disturbed in the Manner aforesaid.

(9.)

When once the War is begun by both Allies, according to the present Treaty, neither of the Allies shall make any Cessation of Arms with him that is declared and owned for an Enemy, unless jointly, and by common Consent.

(10.)

If it should happen, that a Negotiation should be entered upon, either to treat of a Peace, or a Truce for some Years; the same shall not be commenced by either of the Allies without the Participation of the other, and without his procuring at the same time, and as soon as to himself, the Liberty and Security requisite and necessary for sending his Ministers to the Place of Treaty; as also shall communicate constantly, and from time to time, all that shall pass in the said Negotiation; and neither the one nor the other shall come to a Conclusion of the said Peace or Truce, without comprehending therein his Ally, and restoring him, if he desires it, to the Possession of his Country, Territories, or Places, and Enjoyment of the Rights and Immunities, which he held and enjoyed before the War; and without stipulating with the common Enemy, for his Ally, the same Rights, Immunities, Exemptions, and Privileges, as for himself; unless it shall be otherwise agreed between the Allies.

(11.)

It shall be permitted to him of the Allies that shall be attacked, to raise all Sorts of Men fit for War in the Dominions of the other, to serve in their Land Armies, provided it be done by Capitulations, such as both Parties shall agree upon between themselves.

(12.)

The Ratifications of this present Treaty shall be given in due Form, and exchanged on both Sides, within the Space of Four Weeks, from the Signing thereof.

In Witness whereof, the said Commissioners, and the said Ambassador, have signed and sealed these Presents. Done at *Westminster*, the 3d March 1677.

*Beuninghen*, (L. S.)

*Finch*, C. (L. S.)

*Danby*, (L. S.)

*Arlington*, (L. S.)

*H. Coventry*, (L. S.)

*J. Williamson*, (L. S.)

#### Separate Articles.

If the Case mentioned in the 5th Article shall happen, the said King, and his Successors, and the said States General, shall be obliged mutually to assist each other, as often as they are attacked or disturbed, as it is more at large expressed in the said Article, with Succours; viz. His Majesty of *Great Britain* the States General, with 10,000 Foot; and the said States General his Majesty with 6,000 Foot, well armed, under such Regiments, Companies, Colonels, and other Officers, as his said Majesty, and the said States, shall think fit, and judge most proper, for such an Assistance; and with Twenty Men of War, well equipped and provided: And the said Succour shall be delivered and maintained at the Cost of him that sends the same for the Service of him that shall be attacked.

(2.)

If the Necessity of Affairs make it judged and acknowledged, that the Succour promised and granted ought to be augmented, the said King, and States General, shall use their Endeavours to agree about it.

(3.)

The Succour which shall be sent shall be wholly under the Command and Order of him to whom it is sent, to

make use thereof, and to carry them to such Places as he shall think fit, by Water and Land, in the Field, at Sieges, for the Guarding of Places, and wheresoever his Necessity or Advantage shall require.

In Witness whereof, the Commissioners of the King of *Great Britain*, and the Ambassador of the States General, have signed and sealed these separate Articles. Done at *Westminster*, the 3d March 1677.

*Beuninghen*, (L. S.)

*Finch*, C. (L. S.)

*Danby*, (L. S.)

*Arlington*, (L. S.)

*H. Coventry*, (L. S.)

*J. Williamson*, (L. S.)

The said Translation of the Ratification of the 17th of August 1685.

*James* the Second, &c. We are willing to have it appear to all and singular who are, or may be, concerned, That whereas the High and Mighty Lords the States General of the *United Netherlands*, out of their Desire to renew and confirm Friendship with us, have sent to us Ambassadors Extraordinary; an Agreement has been made between them, and Commissioners appointed on our Part, with full Powers, Copies whereof are inserted at the End of this Treaty, the 17th Day of August 1685, at our Castle of *Windsor*, in the Manner following:

The High and Mighty Lords the States General of the *United Netherlands*, having signified, that they very much desire, that all Treaties which have been made at divers Times and Places, hereafter particularly named, between the most Serene and Powerful Prince, *Charles* the Second, late King of *Great Britain*, of glorious Memory, and themselves the said States General, which are now in Being, and relate, as well to the Peace and good Understanding between the *British* Crown, and the States of the *United Netherlands*, as to the Liberty, Usage, and Security, of Commerce between the Subjects of either State, may be continued and confirmed anew; and, to that End, have sent hither their Ambassadors Extraordinary, *James* Baron of *Wassenaer*, &c. *Arnold de Citters*, *Everard de Weede*, Lord of *Dickvelt*, &c.; and have made them their Commissaries and Deputies on this Occasion, and armed them with full Power and Authority:

The most Serene and Powerful Prince, *James* the Second, by the Grace of God, King of *England*, *Scotland*, *France*, and *Ireland*, Defender of the Faith, &c. being moved with the same Desire of continuing and observing the ancient Friendship between the said Two Nations, and increasing the same by any advantageous Agreements and Conditions on both Sides, hath named and constituted on his Part, and armed them with the like Power and Authority, his right trusty and right well beloved Cousins and Counsellors, *Laurence* Earl of *Rochester*, High Treasurer of *England*; *George* Marquis of *Hallifax*, President of the Privy Council; *Robert* Earl of *Sunderland*, one of the Principal Secretaries of State; and *Charles* Earl of *Middleton*, the other Principal Secretary of State: The aforesaid Commissioners and Deputies, as well on the Part of the most Serene Prince, *James* King of *Great Britain*, as on the Part of the States General, having several times met and conferred together concerning the Premises, according to the Authorities and Powers given them on both Sides, Copies whereof are inserted in the End of this Treaty, have agreed and concluded,

That all and singular the Treaties here recited and named;

1st, The Treaty of Peace and Confederacy concluded at *Breda*, the 31<sup>st</sup> July 1667;

2d, The Treaty of Navigation and Commerce, made at the same Place, and the same Day;

3d, The Treaty of Peace and Friendship, concluded at *Westminster* the 2<sup>o</sup> Day of February 1674.

4th, The Marine Treaty, concluded at *London* the First of December 1674, together with a Declaration, whereby certain Articles of the said Treaty made the 27<sup>th</sup> of February

February 1667, are more fully explained, which was concluded at the *Hague* the 2<sup>o</sup> December 1675;

5th, The Article for preventing, or composing amicably, Controversies between the *English* and *Dutch* Companies trading to the *East Indies*, concluded at *London* the 1<sup>o</sup> of March 1674;

6th, The League defensive, concluded at *London* the 3d of March 1677;

And all and singular the Articles contained in the said Treaties, and any of them; shall from henceforth be continued for ever; shall be confirmed, and remain in Force, in the same Sense, and to the same Purpose, as they were at first framed and concluded; and shall have and obtain, for the future, the same Force and Power as they ought to have had, or were supposed to have had, before; and that in as ample Manner and Form as they were at first conceived and concluded, and as if each particular Treaty, and every Article of those Treaties, were repeated and inserted in these Presents.

(2.)

The aforesaid most Serene Lord the King of *Great Britain*, and the aforesaid High and Mighty Lords the States General of the *United Provinces*, shall sincerely, and *bona fide*, observe all and singular the Heads agreed upon and confirmed by all and singular the Treaties recited and named in the foregoing Article, and cause the same to be observed by their Subjects and People; and shall not, directly or indirectly, do any thing to the contrary themselves, or suffer the like to be done by their Subjects or People; and they shall on both Sides, ratify and confirm, by Letters Patents, signed by their own Hands, and sealed with their Great Seals, the Confirmation of all and singular the aforesaid Treaties, now agreed on and concluded by their respective Commissaries and Deputies; which shall be conceived and drawn up in sufficient and effectual Manner; and shall deliver the same, or cause them to be delivered reciprocally, *bona fide*, really and effectually, within Four Weeks after the Date of these Presents, or sooner, if it may be. Done in the Royal Castle of *Windsor*, the 17th Day of August 1685.

(L. S.) <i>Rochester</i> ,	(L. S.) <i>Baron de Wassenaer</i> ,
(L. S.) <i>Halifax</i> ,	<i>Duvencoirde</i> ,
(L. S.) <i>Sunderland</i> ,	(L. S.) <i>Arnout Van Citters</i> ,
(L. S.) <i>Middleton</i> .	(L. S.) <i>De Weede</i> .

The said Translation of the Renewal of the Treaties the 24th of August 1689.

Whereas after several Breaches of the Peace on the Part of *France*, the most Serene King of *Great Britain*, and the High and Mighty Lords the States General of the *United Provinces* of the *Low Countries*, are jointly entered into a War with the most Christian King; and the said Lords the States General, having . . . . . the Sieurs *Alexander Schimmelpenninck Vander Oije*, Lord of *Engelenburg*, Grand Bailly and Dijckgrave of the City and Majorality of *Boisleduc*; *Nicolas Witsen* Burgomaster, Counsellor and Treasurer of the City of *Amsterdam*; *William de Nassau*, Lord of *Odjick*, *Cortgene*, *Seijst*, *Drijbergen*, and *Blickenburg*, first Nobleman, and representing the Nobility in the Assembly of the States, and in the Council of the Province of *Zeland*; *Arnold Van Citters*, formerly their Ambassador in Ordinary in *England*; and *Everhard de Weede*, Lord of *Weede*, *Dickvelt*, &c. their Ambassadors Extraordinary to his Majesty of *Great Britain*; and having shewed their Desire by the said Ambassadors, not only to confirm all the Treaties of Amity and Alliance, which are subsisting between the Crown of *England*, and the said States General, but also to enter into other Engagements of stricter Alliance with his said Majesty, for the Maintenance, and reciprocal Preservation, of their Subjects, Countries, and States, and to reduce the most Christian King to a just and reasonable Peace, which may restore and confirm the Quiet and Tranquillity of *Europe*: And as the said States General have given Power to the said Ambassadors Extraordinary, to treat and conclude the said Treaty; his Majesty, being of the

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same Mind, and willing to concur in that Design, has named for Commissioners, on his Side, *Thomas Marquis of Carmarthen*, President of his Privy Council; *George Marquis of Halifax*, Keeper of the Privy Seal; the Earl of *Shrewsbury*, and the Earl of *Nottingham*, his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State; and *Thomas Wharton* Esquire, Privy Counsellor, and Comptroller of his Majesty's Household: The said Commissioners, and the said Ambassadors, after several Meetings and Conferences, have, by virtue of their respective Powers, Copies whereof are inserted at the End of these Presents, agreed and concluded that which followeth:

(1.)

There shall be, for the future, between the King of *Great Britain*, and his Successors, Kings of *Great Britain*, and their Kingdoms, on one Side, and the States General of the *United Provinces*, on the other, and their Dominions, Territories, and Subjects, reciprocally, a sincere, firm, and perpetual Amity, and good Correspondence, both by Sea and Land, in all Things, and in all Places, as well without as within *Europe*.

(2.)

And, for the better Security of this Friendship, and good Correspondence; and to remove all Difficulties between both Parties, upon what Pretence soever; it is agreed and covenanted between the said King of *Great Britain*, and the said States General, That all Treaties of Peace, Friendship, Alliance, and Confederacy, of Commerce and Marine, hereafter named and mentioned, shall be approved of, and confirmed, on both Sides; viz.

The Treaty of Peace and Alliance, concluded at *Breda* the 31 July 1607.

The Treaty of Navigation and Commerce, concluded at the same Time, and in the same Place.

The Treaty of Peace and Amity, concluded at *Westminster* the 2<sup>o</sup> February 1674.

The Treaty of Marine, concluded at *London* the First October 1674; with a Declaration, explaining several Articles of the said Treaty, as also of the Marine Treaty of the 27th February 1677, concluded at the *Hague* the 2<sup>o</sup> December 1675.

An Article for preventing and composing the Disputes which may happen between the *East India* Companies of *England* and *Holland*, concluded at *London* the 1<sup>o</sup> March 1674.

The defensive League, concluded at *Westminster* the 3d of March 1677.

The Treaty of Concert relating to the *English* and *Holland* Fleets, concluded at *Whitehall* the 29th April 1689.

The Treaty for prohibiting Commerce with *France*, concluded at *Whitehall* the 12<sup>o</sup> August 1689.

Whereas the said Treaties, and all and every the Articles of them, are effectually approved of, and confirmed, by this present Treaty; and shall remain in their first Force and Virtue, as if they were here inserted Word for Word, as far as they do not contradict or derogate one from the other, or from this present Treaty: So that the Points and Matters, stipulated by a latter Treaty, shall be fulfilled in the Sense then agreed upon, without any Regard to an ancients Treaty.

(3.)

Moreover, there shall be betwixt his Majesty, and his Successors, and the said Lords States General, and their Subjects and Inhabitants, reciprocally, a firm Alliance, and faithful Confederacy, mutually to preserve and maintain each other in Tranquillity, Peace, Friendship, and Neutrality, by Sea and Land, and in Possession of all Rights, Franchises, and Liberties, that they enjoy, or have Right to enjoy, or which are acquired for them, or that they shall acquire by Treaties of Peace, Friendship, and Neutrality, which have been heretofore made, or shall be hereafter made, jointly, and by common Consent, with other Kings, Republicks, Princes, and Cities, but all within the Extent of *Europe* only.

(4.) And

Treaty with  
Holland.

(4.)

And thus they promise and oblige themselves to maintain, reciprocally, not only all the Treaties which his Majesty, or his Predecessors, and the said Lords States General, have already made with other Kings, Republicks, Princes, or States, which shall be exhibited on each Side before the Exchange of the Ratifications, but also all those which they may make hereafter, jointly or by common Consent; and to defend, assist, and preserve, each other in the Possession of the Lands, Cities, and Places, which at present belong, or hereafter may belong, as well to his Majesty, and his Successors, Kings of *Great Britain*, as to the said Lords States General, by the said Treaties, in what Place soever the said Lands, Cities, and Places, are situated, in case that, in any thing above-mentioned, his Majesty, or the said Lords States General, should be troubled or attacked by any Hostility, or open War, by any one, or upon . . . Pretext whatsoever; in which case they shall act on each Side, according to what is agreed upon in the abovesaid Treaty, concluded the 3d of March 1677.

(5.)

And whereas the said King of *Great Britain*, and the said States, are at present in War against the most Christian King; and as the said King of *Great Britain*, and States General, are under a reciprocal Obligation to assist, defend, maintain, and preserve, mutually each other, their Countries and Subjects, in their Possessions, Immunities, and Liberties, as well of Navigation as Commerce, and other Rights whatsoever, both by Sea and Land, against all Kings, Princes, and States, and particularly the said most Christian King; and for the better attaining to a just and reasonable Peace, which may re-establish the Quiet and Tranquillity of *Europe*; it is agreed between the said King of *Great Britain*, and the said States, That there shall not any Suspension of Arms, Truce, or Peace, be agreed on between any of the said Allies, and the most Christian King, or any other King, Prince, or State, whereby either of the said Allies may be molested or attacked, but jointly, and by common Consent.

(6.)

And whereas the said King of *Great Britain*, and the said States General, have already entered into a Treaty of Concert for the employing their Forces this Year against the said most Christian King; it is determined and resolved, That they shall speedily agree upon other Articles and Conditions, in relation to the Numbers and Employing of their Troops, and Men of War, in such manner as shall be thought most convenient, to act with better Success against the common Enemy.

(7.)

It is further agreed between the said King of *Great Britain*, and the said States, That if, after a Peace is made with the most Christian King, jointly, and with common Consent, as it is above-mentioned, either of the Parties shall be attacked afresh by the most Christian King, or if either of the Parties shall be attacked by any other King, Prince, or State; in such Case, the Treaty of Alliance and Guaranty above-mentioned, concluded the 3d Day of March in the Year 1677, between the Crown of *England* and the said States, which is also approved of, and confirmed by this present Treaty, shall subsist then in all its utmost Extent; and shall be executed in all its Points and Articles, as if the same, or a like Treaty, had been made anew, and since the Conclusion of the Peace with the said most Christian King; with this Variation only, that the War happening in the Case mentioned in the 4th Article of this Treaty, none of the said Allies shall make any Suspension of Arms, Truce, or Peace, with the said most Christian King, or other Aggressor, but jointly and by common Consent.

(8.)

In this present Treaty shall be comprehended all Kings, Princes, and States, who shall be willing to enter into it before the Exchange of the Ratifications, or within Six Months after, with the common Consent of his Majesty, and the said States.

(9.)

The present Treaty shall be ratified, and approved of, by the said King, and the said States, and the Letters of Ratification shall be delivered by the one and the other, in good and usual Form, within the Term of Six Weeks, or sooner, if possible, to be reckoned from the Day of the Signing thereof.

In Witness whereof, his Majesty's above-mentioned Commissioners, and the Ambassadors Extraordinary aforesaid, by virtue of their respective Powers, have signed these Presents in their ordinary Manner of signing; and have caused their Coat of Arms to be set thereunto. Concluded at *Westminster*, the 24th Day of August 1689.

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Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Treaties be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of his Majesty's gracious Answer to the Address of this House.

Ordered, That his Majesty's said gracious Answer, and the Memorial therewith delivered, be referred to the said Committee.

Colonel Churchill, from the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, according to Order, presented to the House a List of his Majesty's Ships of the 1st, 2d, 3d, and 4th Rates, that are in Condition to be forthwith fitted for the Sea, with their respective Complements of Men: And

A List of the Ships of 50 Guns, and upwards, now in Sea Pay at home.

And the Title and Abstracts thereof were read; and the said Lists are as follow; viz.

The said List of his Majesty's Ships of the 1st, 2d, 3d, and 4th Rates, that are in Condition to be forthwith fitted for the Sea, with their respective Complements of Men.

Rates.	Ships Names.	Complements of Men.		
		Highest.	Middle.	Lowest.
1	Britannia - - -	754	650	544
	Queen - - -	754	650	544
	Victory - - -	754	650	544
	Royal William - - -	754	650	544
2	Association - - -	640	562	486
	Barfleur - - -	640	562	486
	St. Michael - - -	582	506	418
	Namure - - -	640	562	486
3	Tryumph - - -	640	562	486
	Boyne - - -	476	398	322
	Bedford - - -	476	370	293
	Cornwall - - -	476	398	322
	Cambridge - - -	476	398	322
	Cumberland - - -	476	398	322
	Content Prize - - -	476	370	293
	Dorsetshire - - -	476	398	322
	Expedition - - -	476	370	293
	Humber - - -	476	398	322
	Ipswich - - -	476	370	293
	Kent - - -	476	370	293
	Lancaster - - -	476	398	322
	Monmouth - - -	389	312	250
	Norfolk - - -	476	398	322
	Newark - - -	476	398	322
	Royal Oak - - -	456	380	302
	Orford - - -	446	370	293
	Resolution - - -	408	336	264
	Russell - - -	476	398	322
	Ranelagh - - -	476	398	322
	Sterling Castle - - -	446	370	293
	Suffolk - - -	446	370	293
	Swiftsure - - -	408	336	294
	Somerset - - -	476	398	322
	Torbay			



Rates.	Ships Names.	Complements of Men.		
		Highest.	Middle.	Lowest.
3d	Torbay - - -	476	398	322
	Yarmouth - - -	446	370	293
4	Bristol - - -	226	197	149
	Bonadventure - - -	226	197	149
	Blackwall - - -	226	197	149
	Canterbury - - -	346	278	221
	Centurion - - -	226	197	149
	Chatham - - -	226	197	149
	Chester - - -	226	197	149
	Coventry - - -	226	197	149
	Deptford - - -	226	197	149
	Dover - - -	226	197	149
	Dragon - - -	216	182	140
	Dunkirk - - -	322	264	206
	Dreadnought - - -	346	274	212
	Dartmouth - - -	226	197	149
	Exeter - - -	346	278	221
	Falkland - - -	226	197	149
	Greenwich - - -	274	236	182
	Guernsey - - -	226	197	149
	Jersey - - -	226	197	149
	Kingston - - -	346	278	221
	Kingfisher - - -	216	182	140
	Litchfield - - -	226	197	149
	Medway - - -	346	278	221
	Mary - - -	346	274	221
	Mountague - - -	346	274	221
	Norwich - - -	226	197	149
	Newcastle - - -	274	236	182
	Nonsuch - - -	226	197	149
	Pembroke - - -	346	278	221
	Severne - - -	226	197	149
	Weymouth - - -	226	197	149
	Windsor - - -	346	278	221
	Warwick - - -	226	197	149
	Yorke - - -	332	264	206
Abstract of the foregoing List.				
	Rates.	N <sup>o</sup>		
	First - - -	4	27,053	22,819
	Second - - -	5		
	Third - - -	26		
	Fourth - - -	34		
	Total 69	27,053	22,819	18,291

The said List of the Ships of Fifty Guns and upwards now in Sea-pay at Home; viz.

Rates.	Ships Names.	Complements of Men.		
		Highest.	Middle.	Lowest.
3	Berwick - - -	446	370	293
	Bredah - - -	446	370	293
	Burford - - -	446	370	293
	Chichester - - -	476	398	322
	Defyance - - -	389	312	250
	Eagle - - -	446	370	293
	Edgar - - -	432	360	284
	Essex - - -	446	370	293
	Grafton - - -	446	370	293
	Nassau - - -	446	370	293
	Revenge - - -	446	370	293
	Shrewsbury - - -	476	398	322
4	Assistance - - -	226	197	149
	Burlington - - -	226	197	149
	Crown - - -	226	197	149
	Colchester - - -	226	197	149
	Falmouth - - -	226	197	149
	Hampshire - - -	226	197	149
	Oxford - - -	274	236	182
	Portland - - -	226	197	149
	Pendennis - - -	226	197	149

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Rates.	Ships Names.	Complements of Men.		
		Highest.	Middle.	Lowest.
	Plymouth - - -	332	264	206
	Ruby - - -	226	197	149
	Romney - - -	226	197	149
	Southampton - - -	226	197	149
	Sunderland - - -	346	278	221
	Salisbury - - -	226	197	149
	Winchester - - -	226	197	149
	Worcester - - -	226	197	149
Abstract of the two Lists beforegoing; viz.				
	Ships	N <sup>o</sup>		
	First, Second, Third, } 69	27,053	22,819	18,291
	and Fourth Rates			
	Third and Fourth Rates 29	9,457	7,074	6,217
	Total 98	36,510	29,893	24,508

By their Lordships Command,  
J. Burchett.

J. Bridgwater,  
G. Rooke,  
D. Mitchell,  
Geo. Churchill.

Ordered, That the said Lists do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Ordered, That the Serjeant do go with the Mace into Members Westminster Hall, and Court of Requests, and Places summoned adjacent, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House immediately.

And he went accordingly.

And, being returned;

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of his Majesty's gracious Answer to the Address of the House. Answer to Address, considered.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel Granville took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Colonel Granville reported from the said Committee; That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Resolved, That the Report be received immediately.

Colonel Granville reported from the said Committee, the said Resolution; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of the Committee, That an humble Address be made to his Majesty, That he will please to enter into such Negotiations, in Concert with the States General of the United Provinces, and other Potentates, as may most effectually conduce to the mutual Safety of these Kingdoms, and the States General, and the Preservation of the Peace of Europe; and giving him Assurances of Support and Assistance, in Performance of the Treaty made with the States General the 3d of March 1677. Resolutions for Address for entering into Negotiations.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, Nemine contradicente, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That an humble Address be made to his Majesty, That he will please to enter into such Negotiations, in Concert with the States General of the United Provinces, and other Potentates, as may most effectually conduce to the mutual Safety of these Kingdoms, and the States General, and the Preservation of the Peace of Europe; and giving him Assurances of Support and Assistance, in Performance of the Treaty made with the States General the 3d of March 1677.

Resolved, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by the whole House.

Ordered, That such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do humbly know his Majesty's Pleasure, when he will be attended by this House.

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And



And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 21° die Februarii;*

13° Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Wareham  
Writ.

**THOMAS Earle** Esquire, being chosen a Burgess for the Borough of *Portsmouth*, in the County of *Southampton*, and also for the Borough of *Wareham*, in the County of *Dorset*; made his Election to serve for the said Borough of *Portsmouth*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Wareham*, in the room of the said Mr. *Earle*.

Ilchester  
Election.

A Petition of Sir *Francis Windham* Baronet was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, Sir *Philip Sidenham*, and *James Anderton* Esquire, stood Candidates at the Election of Burgesses, to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Ilchester*, in the County of *Somerset*: But the said Mr. *Anderton* did, contrary to a late Act of Parliament, distribute and expend several Sums of Money amongst the Electors, by which Means he hath procured himself to be returned, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Tampering  
with Wit-  
nesses.

*Resolved*, That if it shall appear, that any Person hath tampered with any Witnesses, in respect of their Evidence to be given to this House, or any Committee thereof; or, directly or indirectly endeavoured to deter or hinder any Person from appearing, or giving Evidence; the same is declared to be a high Crime and Misdemeanor: And this House will proceed with the utmost Severity against such Offenders.

Witnesses  
giving false  
Evidence,

*Resolved*, That if it shall appear, that any Person hath given false Evidence in any Cause before this House, or any Committee thereof, this House will proceed with the utmost Severity against such Offenders.

Pembroke  
Election.

A Petition of *John Barlow*, *William Skirme*, *John Phillips*, *Owen Ford*, Esquires, and several other Freeholders, of the County of *Pembroke*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of a Knight to serve in this Parliament for the said County, Sir *Arthur Owen* Baronet, and Sir *William Wogan* Knight, stood Candidates: That *Thomas Lloyd* Esquire, Sheriff of the said County, did privately deliver the Writ to *Charles Phillips*, *John Langharne*, and *John Meyrick* Esquire, great Friends of Sir *Arthur's*; and, as pretended, deputed them, with *Tho. Skirme* his Under Sheriff, with the Execution thereof, and to take the Poll: And the Three Deputies would not admit any to inspect the Poll for Sir *William*; and directed Persons to poll against him that were no Freeholders, refused to administer the Oath to them, although demanded: And the said pretended Deputies took upon them to control the Under Sheriff, who openly declared against their unjust Proceedings: Whereupon all or the greater Number of Freeholders, that would have voted for Sir *Wm.* went away; by which Means, and many other unlawful Practices of the Sheriff, and his Deputies, before and at the Election, the said Sir *Arthur Owen* was returned, to the apparent Wrong of the said Sir *William Wogan*, and the greater Number of the Freeholders of the said County, who were deprived of their Liberty of Election: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be

referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had been pleased to appoint to be attended by this House this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, at *Kensington*. King ap-  
points to be  
attended.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more effectual Execution of an Act, made in the 8th and 9th Years of his present Majesty, to restore the Market at *Blackwell-hall* to the Clothiers, and for regulating the Factors there: And that Mr. *Eyres*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Dolben*, and Sir *Geo. Hungerford*, do prepare, and bring in, the same. Blackwell-  
hall Market.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable his Majesty to make Leases of his Duchy of *Cornwall*: And that Mr. *Boscawen* and Mr. *Hoblyn* do prepare, and bring in, the same. Duchy of  
Cornwall  
Leases.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to inquire what Laws are near expiring, and what are fit to be continued: Expiring  
Laws.

And it is referred to Mr. *Carter*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Eyres*, Mr. *Brewer*, Sir *John Molesworth*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Goulston*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Lord *Corningsby*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Clerke*, Sir *Geo. Hungerford*, Mr. *Wheeler*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Cocks*, Mr. *Onslow*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Jervoise*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Owen*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber; and to sit *de die in diem*.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Preservation and Increase of Timber of this Kingdom: And that Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Colt*, and Mr. *How*, and Sir *Wm. Coriton*, do prepare, and bring in, the same. Preservation  
of Timber.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction, That they do take care, that the Money that shall arise by the Sale of Woods, in the King's Forest, be applied to the Use of the Publick.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to resume the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick: And that Sir *John Bolles*, Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, and Sir *Richard Cocks*, do prepare, and bring in, the same. Resumption  
of Grants.

A Petition of *Fitton Gerrard* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was a Candidate at the last Election for Knights of the Shire for the County of *Lancaster*; and, of Right, ought to have been returned; but by Bribery, and other corrupt Practices, and by the partial and illegal Proceedings of the Sheriff of the County, *Richard Bold* Esquire is returned, to the Petitioner's Prejudice: And praying Relief in the Premises. Lancaster  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That an Account be laid before this House, of all Orders and Directions, given by the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, with relation to the Accounts of the Treasurer at War, and the Treasurer of the Navy; and what Proceedings have been thereupon. Accounts of  
War and  
Navy Treasurers.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lowndes* do lay the said Account before this House.

*Ordered*, That the Auditors of the Imprest, and other Officers concerned in passing the publick Accounts, do lay before the House an Account of the Fees and Allowances by them claimed, for the several Accounts brought before them. Fees on  
passing  
publick Ac-  
counts.

*Ordered*, That the several Lists, Accounts, and Estimates,

Accounts  
from Ad-  
miralty.

Estimates, which have been presented to the House from the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of his Majesty's Speech be referred to the said Committee.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning, at Eleven a Clock.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 22<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;*

13<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

## PRAYERS.

Reading  
Election.

**A**PETITION of several Freemen of the Borough or Corporation of *Reading*, in the County of *Berks*, inhabiting therein, that pay Scot and Lot there, and other Freemen thereof, not inhabiting therein, and divers other Householdors residing therein, that pay Scot and Lot there, and other Householdors who do not pay Scot and Lot there, and receive no Alms or Charity, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, *Tunfield Vachell*, and *Francis Knowles*, Esquires, stood Candidates; and Sir *Owen Buckingham*, and Mr. *Vachell*, were duly elected by the Majority of the Persons qualified as aforesaid, who only have the Right of Election: That most of the Persons that voted for Mr. *Knowles*, were Alms-people, and such as received Charities, and therefore unqualified to vote at Elections: Yet the Mayor of the said Borough hath returned Mr. *Knowles* with Sir *Owen*, in Wrong to the Petitioners Right of Election: And praying, That the House will take the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Ease of  
Sheriffs.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, for the better Ease of Sheriffs in Execution of their Offices, and in the passing their Accounts: And that Mr. *Hoblyn*, Mr. *Dolben*, and Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Seizures on  
Outlawries.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the easier Discharge of Seizures upon Outlawries in the Exchequer: And that Mr. *Boscawen*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, and Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

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*Ordered*, That an Account of all Grants, made since the Seventh Day of December 1699, be laid before this House.

Grants from  
the Crown.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lowndes* do lay the said Account before this House.

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House having yesterday attended his Majesty, and presented to him their Address, his Majesty was pleased, thereupon, to give the gracious Answer following; *viz.*

Answer to  
Address.

Gentlemen,

I thank you heartily for the Advice you have given me, and your unanimous Resolution to support and assist me in making good the Treaty mentioned in your Address: And I will immediately order my Ministers abroad to enter into Negotiations, in Concert with the States General, and other Potentates, for the attaining of those great Ends which you desire.

Nothing can more effectually conduce to our Security, than the Unanimity and Vigour you have shewed on this Occasion; and I shall always endeavour, on my Part, to preserve and increase this mutual Trust and Confidence between us.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

Supply.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Provision be made, from time to time, for making good the Principal and Interest due on all Parliamentary Funds, granted since his Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Provision be made, from time to time, for making good the Principal and Interest due on all Parliamentary Funds, granted since his Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown.

*Ordered*, That an Account be laid before this House, of the Deficiencies of Parliamentary Funds since his Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown.

Deficiencies  
of Parlia-  
mentary  
Funds.

*Ordered*, That the said Account be laid before this House by Mr. *Lowndes*.

*Ordered*, That an Account be laid before this House, by the respective Officers, of what Debts remain unprovided for in the publick Offices, which have accrued since his Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown.

Debts unpro-  
vided for.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lowndes* do lay before this House an Account of what Debts, owing before the Revolution, have been paid at the Exchequer, since his Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown.

Debts before  
Revolution.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further Consideration, what Members are concerned in the Clause mentioned in the Act made in the 5th and 6th Years of the Reign of his present Majesty and the late Queen, disabling Persons to be Members of Parliament.

Persons dis-  
abled from  
being Mem-  
bers.

And Mr. *Heathcott* attending in his Place, according to Order, he was heard; and acquainted the House, That he was chosen by the People who were Subscribers for advancing of Money for circulating of Exchequer Bills, to take care of their Money; and was informed and advised, that he was not within the said Clause; and hoped that he having acted in the said Trust honestly, he should have the favourable Construction of the House.

And then he withdrew.

And the Contract between his Majesty's Commissioners of the Treasury, and the said Subscribers, dated the 15th of April 1700; and also the Constitution of the said Commissioners of the Treasury to the Trustees for circulating the

the said Exchequer Bills, dated the Seventh of May 1697, which had been laid before the House; were read.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That *Gilbert Heathcott* Esquire, a Member of the House of Commons, having, since his being elected a Member, been concerned, and acted, as a Trustee for the circulating Exchequer Bills, is guilty of a Breach of the Act made in the 5th and 6th Years of the Reign of his present Majesty and the late Queen *Mary*, intituled, An Act for granting to their Majesties certain Rates and Duties upon Salt, and upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors, for securing certain Recompences and Advantages, in the said Act mentioned, to such Persons as shall voluntarily advance the Sum of Ten hundred thousand Pounds, towards carrying on the War against *France*;

An Amendment was proposed to be made, by inserting, after the Word "Trustees," these Words "on the Part "and Behalf of the Subscribers."

And the Question being put, That those Words be inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Sir William Strickland*, } 165.  
                                  { *Mr. Lowther* :

Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. Tredenham*, } 176.  
                                  { *Mr. Rowney* :

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

*Resolved*, That *Gilbert Heathcott* Esquire, a Member of the House of Commons, having, since his being elected a Member, been concerned, and acted, as a Trustee for the circulating Exchequer Bills, is guilty of a Breach of the Act made in the 5th and 6th Years of the Reign of his present Majesty and the late Queen *Mary*, intituled, An Act for granting to their Majesties certain Rates and Duties upon Salt, and upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors, for securing certain Recompences and Advantages, in the said Act mentioned, to such Persons as shall voluntarily advance the Sum of Ten hundred thousand Pounds, towards carrying on the War against *France*.

A Member expelled.

*Resolved*, That the said *Gilbert Heathcott* Esquire, for the Breach of the said Act, be expelled this House.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 24° die Februarii;*

13° Gulielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Lady Bulkley's Estate.

A PETITION of *Elizabeth Lady Bulkley*, Wife of the Honourable *Richard Lord Bulkley*, Viscount *Cassells*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was seised in Fee, or Fee Tail, of divers Houses and Lands in *Devonshire* and *Exon*, of about 47*l.* per Annum Rent; and, upon her Marriage Articles, covenanted to convey those premises to Trustees, to be sold, and the Money to be laid out to purchase other Lands in *Wales*, to be settled upon the Issue of that Marriage: That soon after the Marriage, the said Premises were mortgaged to *Sir Walter Plumer*, for 750*l.* and Interest; and Differences arising between the Lord *Bulkley*, and the Petitioner, it was agreed, that they should separate, having no Issue; and *inter al'* the Lord *Bulkley* did convey to Trustees the aforesaid Premises, to be sold to discharge the said Mortgage, the Residue for the Petitioner's Advantage: That the Petitioner hath actually contracted for Sale of the said Premises; but the said Trustees refuse to join in the Sale; and the Purchaser will not proceed without an Act of Parliament: And praying, That Leave may be given to

bring in a Bill for Sale of the said Houses, and Lands, for Payment of the said Mortgage.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that *Sir Thomas Littleton*, *Mr. Vaughan*, and *Sir John Phillips*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

A Petition of *William Monson* Esquire, was presented Hertford Election. to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, and *Mr. Gulston*, stood Candidates, at the Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Hertford*, in the . . . *Mr. Philmer*, deceased: That after the said Vacancy, and at the said Election, several Gifts, Promises and Menaces, and other undue Practices, were used by *Mr. Gulston's* Friends and Agents, to promote his Interest, and suppress the Petitioner's; and the Mayor refused to poll several rightful Voters, who offered to poll for the Petitioner; and admitted great Numbers to poll for *Mr. Gulston*, who had no Right so to do; by which Means, though the Petitioner had the Majority of legal Electors upon the Poll, the Mayor hath, contrary to his Duty, returned *Mr. Gulston* as duly elected, to the Petitioner's Prejudice: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *William Lenthall* Esquire, was presented King's Bench Prison. to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in this House, for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, which will greatly prejudice the Petitioner's Inheritance in the *King's Bench* Prison: And praying, That he may be heard, by his Counsel, at the Bar of this House, what he hath to object against the said Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Matter of the said Petition be heard at the Bar of this House;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon this Day Sevensnight.

A Petition of such as deal in the Silver Manufactory in the City, and County of the City, of *Exon*, was presented Assaying of Plate. to the House, and read; setting forth, That by reason of a Clause in a late Act, made in the 8th and 9th Years of his Majesty's Reign, for making a new Standard for Silver, the Petitioners are abridged from exercising their Trades; for that their Plate, when wrought up, is liable to Seizure, for want of the *Britannia* Mark, which they are incapable of fixing thereto: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for repealing of the said Clause; and for the more effectual preventing the melting down the current Coin of this Kingdom; and also to prevent all Manner of Frauds and Abuses in the Silver Manufactory.

And the Clause in the said Act was read.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to *Sir Edward Seymour*, *Mr. Arthington*, *Mr. Clark*, *Mr. Monsteuens*, *Mr. Gwyn*, *Mr. Roxney*, *Sir Godfrey Copley*, *Mr. Pelham*, *Mr. Smith*, *Sir Jos. Jekill*, *Mr. Monckton*, *Mr. Hopkins*, *Mr. Lowndes*, *Mr. Bridges*, *Earl of Ranelagh*, *Sir John Molesworth*, *Mr. Hamond*, *Mr. Thompson*, *Mr. Lowther*, *Sir Hump. Mackworth*, *Mr. Godolphin*, *Sir Arth. Owen*, *Mr. Mompesson*, *Mr. Harris*, *Mr. Yates*, *Mr. Clayton*, *Mr. Shacklerly*, *Mr. Blofield*, *Sir Wm. Coriton*, *Sir John Phillips*, *Mr. Walpole*, *Sir Edward Hungerford*, *Sir Robert Cotton*: And

And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Assaying of Plate.

A Petition of the Company of Goldsmiths within the City of *Chester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by a Clause in an Act, made in the 8th and 9th Years of his Majesty's Reign, for encouraging the bringing in wrought Plate to be coined, the Petitioners are made utterly incapable of exercising . . . . . because the said Act prescribes but one Mark for all Silver Wares, which the Company of Goldsmiths of *London* have appropriated to themselves, so that the Petitioners dare not affix the said Mark, for fear of incurring the Penalty of the said Act: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee.

Money come into hands of Treasurer of the Navy, &c.

Ordered, That the respective Treasurers and Paymasters of the Navy, Army, and Ordnance, do forthwith lay before this House an Abstract of all Money come to their Hands since the 5th Day of November 1688; and how the same hath been expended; and what remains in their Hands, and for what Uses.

Commissioners of Accounts.

Ordered, That the Commissioners appointed to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; do forthwith lay before this House an Account of their Proceedings, and particularly in relation to the Prizes.

Registering Seamen.

Ordered, That an Account be forthwith laid before this House of all the Money that has been received upon Account of the Act for registering Seamen; and what hath been expended, or paid in the Management of the said Office.

Ordered, That the said Account be laid before this House, by the Treasurer and Commissioners of the Navy, and Treasurer of *Greenwich* Hospital, respectively.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning at Eleven a Clock.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, immediately after the said Report, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Martis, 25<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

13<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Weobly Election.

A PETITION of some of the unbribed Burgesses of the Borough of *Weobly*, in the County of *Hereford*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Henry Cornwall* Esquire, by himself and Agents, before and since the Teste of the Writ for electing Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament, made publick Entertainments for the Burgesses of the said Borough,

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and to some gave Money, Promises, Gratuities, Threats, and even Confinement, for their Votes; by which, and other illegal Proceedings, the said Mr. *Cornwall* hath procured himself returned, as the Petitioners Representative, in Violation of their Rights, and the Freedom of Elections: And praying the House to make void Mr. *Cornwall's* Election, and to punish the Offenders therein, that the Liberties of the said Borough may be preserved for the future.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof, and report the same, with their Opinion therein to the House.

A Petition of *John Asgill* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bramber*, in the County of *Sussex*; but, by undue Means, *Tho. Owen* Esquire hath procured himself to be returned, to the Petitioner's Prejudice: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of Sir *James Bradshaw* Knight, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Town of *Kingston upon Hull*, the Petitioner, Sir *William St. Quintin*, and Mr. *Wm. Maisters*, and others, stood Candidates; and, by the Votes of unqualified Persons, Mr. *Maisters* had the Majority of the Petitioner; who demanding a Scrutiny of the Sheriff, they went to the Mayor, and requested the Register of the Freemen's Names, to examine the Poll by; but the Mayor positively refused it; by which it would have appeared, that the Petitioner had the Majority of the Freemen's Votes, and so ought to have been returned: Besides all which, Sir *Wm. St. Quintin*, and Mr. *Maisters*, by themselves or Agents, did illegally procure Votes, by Money, Entertainments, and Promises of Reward: And praying such Relief in the Premises, as to the House shall seem meet.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of several Burgesses of the Borough of *Holt*, in the County of *Denbigh*, on behalf of themselves, and other Burgesses of the said Borough of *Holt*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by Act of Parliament, 35 *Henry* 8th, the said Borough, together with the Boroughs of *Ruthin* and *Denbigh*, are empowered to elect a Burgess for Parliament; to which Election, none but Burgesses have a Right to vote; and the Election of such Burgesses is, by an ancient Charter, vested in the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Burgesses, of *Holt*: That on the 25th of August 1698, *Tho. Warburton* Esquire, then Mayor of *Holt*, did, without the Consent, and against the express Will, of the Bailiffs, and most of the Burgesses, make about 400 Foreigners and Strangers, brought thither by the Interest of Sir *Robert Cotton*, of *Cheshire*, Burgesses of *Holt*; in Opposition to which Proceeding, the old Burgesses did demand a Poll; but Mr. *Warburton* peremptorily refused it; and, on the 28th of September following, made above 400 more Foreigners and Strangers, brought thither by the like Interest, Burgesses, notwithstanding the like Opposition was made, though to no Purpose: That *Edward Brereton* Esquire prosecuted an Information in the King's Bench, against the said Mr. *Warburton*, for his irregular Proceedings; which was tried at the last *Salop* Assizes; and a Verdict was given against him, upon full Evidence given by his own Witnesses; and yet Sir *Robert Cotton*, on behalf of his Son *Thomas*, did, at the last Election of a Burgess to represent the Petitioners, with *Ruthin* and

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Denbigh,



*Denbigh*, demand, That the said Foreigners and Strangers ought to vote in the Election; and brought near 500 of them; which gave the Petitioners much Disturbance, Sir *Robert* pretending to a Majority by such Assistance; which Proceedings, if permitted, may cause the Election of a Burgess to Parliament to be at the Pleasure of any one Person, as Mayor; and manifestly tends to subvert the Constitution of Parliament, and the Freedom and Rights of the Borough of *Holt*: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Poor.

*Resolved*, That all Bills relating to the Poor be declared to be publick Bills, and pass without paying Fees.

Debtors  
Petition.

A Petition of above an Hundred decayed Merchants and Tradesmen, Freemen of the City of *London*, now confined for Debt in the Prison of *Ludgate*, in behalf of themselves, and many Thousand more, who are likewise confined for Debt in the several Gaols of this Kingdom, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by the Deadness of Trade, Losses, and other Misfortunes, the Petitioners are utterly disabled to pay their Debts; so that, without the Compassion of the House, they, and their Wives and Children, must perish: And praying, That some good Bill may be passed for the Relief and Release of poor distressed Prisoners for Debt.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Bryan Stapleton*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Chetwyn*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Buller*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Sir *Robert Marsham*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Birch*, Sir *John Molesworth*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Mounstevan*, Mr. *Thynn*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Ekins*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Thornhaugh*, Sir *Gerv. Elwes*, Mr. *Dolben*, Sir *John Phillips*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Crow*, Mr. *Eyre*, Mr. *Hamond*, Sir *John Mordant*, Sir *William Ashurst*, Lord *Comingsby*, Mr. *Wheeler*, Sir *Francis Massam*, Mr. *Eyres*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *Jervois*, Sir *Rush. Cullen*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, who were to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury be empowered to call in all Exchequer Bills that remain uncanceled; and that the Interest of them be computed, and made Principal; and the old Bills cancelled, and new Bills made out for the Sums due for both Principal and Interest on the old Bills; which Sums shall carry Interest after the Rate of Four-pence *per diem* for every Hundred Pound.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a further Aid be granted to his Majesty, for the Payment of the Principal and Interest due on all Exchequer Bills yet uncanceled.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a further Aid be granted to his Majesty, for continuing the Contracts for circulating Exchequer Bills.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be brought in, upon the First of the said Resolutions: And that Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Cmyers*, and Mr. *Lowndes*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to inspect the several Contracts with relation to the circulating Exchequer Bills; and to examine into the Method and Manner of Proceedings of the said Office; and report the same to the House:

Circulating  
Exchequer  
Bills.

And it is referred to Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Clark*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Sir *Edw. Seymour*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Sir *Tho. Meers*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Hamond*, Mr. *Godolphin*, Lord *Dysert*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Monstevan*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Jercoise*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *William Scaven*, Mr. *Thynn*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *Cha. Turner*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Sir *Geo. Hungerford*, Sir *Tho. Cook*, Mr. *Buller*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *Fra. Child*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Walpole*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

The House being informed, That the Commissioners for taking, examining, and determining, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; attended at the Door;

Commis-  
sioners  
of Account—  
Army Debts,  
&c.

They were called in; and at the Bar, presented to the House a Report, or an Account, of their Proceedings; together with some Accounts and Papers relating thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And the said Report, or Account, and the Titles of the other Papers and Accounts, were read;

And the said Report, or Account, is as followeth; viz.

An Account of the Proceedings of the Commissioners appointed by an Act of Parliament, made in the 11th and 12th Years of his Majesty's Reign, to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; delivered in to the Honourable House of Commons, in Obedience to an Order dated the 24th Day of this Instant February 1700-1.

May it please your Honours,

Army.] According to the Directions of the said Act, we applied ourselves with all Diligence, in the First Place, to the stating and determining the Arrears of Pay to the Officers who have served under his Majesty, either for the Reduction of *Ireland*, or in the War against *France*.

In order whereunto we gave frequent Notices by Precepts, Letters, and public Advertisements, to the Colonels and Agents of the respective Regiments, forthwith to lay their Accounts before us; as will appear in the Scheme herewith humbly presented, marked (A.)

Notwithstanding which, very few were brought to us before the First of September; but those that were, have been carefully examined and stated; and Certificates made by us for the Arrears thereof, to the Paymaster of his Majesty's Forces, within the Time limited by the Act, beginning with those whose Officers received Half-pay; of which Arrears we here present an Abstract, marked (B); wherein we have distinguished what is due upon the Account of Cloathing, what for Poundage, and what for the Royal Hospital at *Chelsea*.

And here we think it proper to observe, That, in the stating of those Accounts, we found several Sums of Money due to the private Soldiers, amounting to above 2,500 *l.*; which having no Power to certify, we took care to distinguish to the Paymaster, that he might retain the same for the further Direction of Parliament.

And that this Honourable House may not want any Observation we have been capable of making, we have prepared, and herewith offer, an Account of the several Sums of Money arising from Rescipes taken off, and other Allowances



Allowances made by Warrants, since the 10th of April 1700 ; contained in the Paper marked (C):

As also a Comparison of the Difference between the Arrears delivered into Parliament by the Paymaster of his Majesty's Forces, and those brought by him to us ; and between those, and the Arrears certified for ; as will appear, marked (D.)

After the Time for certifying was expired, hoping to have made a greater Progress in the remaining Accounts, we renewed our Letters, Precepts, and Notices, to the several Colonels, Agents, and Governors of Garisons, whose Accounts were not then brought in, to lay the same before us ; some of whom complying therewith, their Accounts have been examined and stated by us ; others have brought them so imperfect, that we could not examine and state them, till they were amended by the Colonels or Agents ; to whom they were given back for that Purpose, and are not yet returned ; though we have not been wanting to exert all our Power for their Assistance, where the same was found requisite or desired ; others have lately brought in their Accounts, which are now under Examination ; and the rest, notwithstanding all the Notice given, have not yet brought in any ; a List of all which is contained in the Paper marked (E.)

Navy.] The Result of the Inquiries which we have been hitherto able to make into the Debt of his Majesty's Navy Royal, on the 31st of December 1700, we humbly present under the several Heads in the Paper marked (F.)

Transport.] We have examined and stated the Accounts, brought before us, of the Principal Money due for Transport Service, which were not before adjusted and determined by Act of Parliament ; and have issued out Debentures, for the said Debt, to all Persons who have applied to us for the same ; and are ready to deliver out the rest, when the Persons concerned shall call for them ; the state of which Debt will appear in the Abstract marked (G.)

Prizes.] We have sent Precepts and Letters, and had several Conferences with, and Promises from, the present Commissioners for Prizes, to lay before us an Account of all Ships and Goods taken, and condemned as Prize, during the late War ; notwithstanding which, we have not been able to this Day to obtain any sort of Return thereto : But that we may be found, as we hope, to have pursued the proper Methods for attaining the Ends of our Commission in this Affair, we humbly offer a Copy of our First Precept to them, marked (H.)

Nor could we supply their Defect by the Applications we made to several other Officers, so as to come to any Knowledge either of the true Number or Nature of Prizes taken, or of the Disposal of them, or any Part of their Proceed, whereby we might give any Satisfaction therein to this Honourable House.

To all which we humbly crave Leave to add an Account of the Sums of Money received from the Exchequer, and otherwise, by the respective Treasurers of his Majesty's Navy, Paymasters of his Armies, and Cashiers of the Ordnance, between the 13th of February 1688, and the 24th of December 1699, amounting to near Forty-two Millions ; which will appear in the Paper marked (I) ; above one Half whereof has not yet been accounted for before the Auditors of the Imprests.

*Tho. Morice, (S. L.)*

*S. Atkins, (S. L.)*

*Tho. Lister, (S. L.)*

*Wm. Farrer, S. L.)*

*Geo. Langton. (S. L.)*

The other Papers to which the Report refers, with the Report also, are bound up with other Papers and Accounts of this Session.

*Ordered,* That the said Report, or Account, and Papers, do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

*Resolved,* That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, take into Consideration the said Report, and Accounts.

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*Ordered,* That the Commissioners for Prizes, and the said Commissioners of Accounts, do attend this House upon *Friday* Morning next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Supply. a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred ; and had come to several Resolutions ; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered,* That the Report be made To-morrow Morning, at Eleven a Clock.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved,* That this House will, immediately after the said Report, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered,* That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 26<sup>o</sup> die Februarii ;*

13<sup>o</sup> *Gulielmi Tertii.*

#### PRAYERS.

A PETITION of *Thomas Andrews* Esquire, was presented to the House and read ; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Higham-Ferris*, in the County of *Northampton*, and ought to have been returned ; but the Mayor of the said Borough hath unduly returned *Thomas Ekins* : And praying Relief in the Premises.

Higham-Ferris Election.

*Ordered,* That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections : And that they do examine the Matter thereof ; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of Captain *Charles Cornwall*, of *Berrington*, in the County of *Hereford*, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That, at the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Weobly*, the Petitioner, *Henry Thyn*, *John Birch* Esquires, and Colonel *Henry Cornwall*, stood Candidates ; at which Election the said Mr. *Thyn*, Mr. *Byrch*, and Colonel *Cornwall*, by Bribes, Entertainments, and other undue Means, procured the said Colonel *Cornwall* and Mr. *Byrch* to be elected and returned, in Prejudice of the Petitioner, who was duly chosen without any such Practices : And praying the Consideration of the House therein.

Weobly Election.

*Ordered,* That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections : And that they do examine the Matter thereof ; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Henry Greenhill* Esquire was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Burgess, with the Lord *Cutts*, to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Newport*, alias *Modena*, in the *Isle of Wight* ; and ought to have been returned ; but *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, by notorious Bribery, and other undue Means, hath obtained himself to be returned, in Wrong to the Petitioner : And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

Newport Election.

*Ordered,* That the Merits of the said Election be heard, at the Bar of this House, upon *Tuesday* the 11th Day of March next.

The

Agmon-  
desham Writ.

The Lord *Cheine*, being chosen Knight of the Shire for the County of *Bucks*; and also a Burgess for the Borough of *Agmondesham*, in the said County; made his Election to serve for the County of *Bucks*.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to

the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Agmondesham*, in the room of the said Lord *Cheine*.

Fees of  
Officers of  
the House.

The Table of Fees to the Officers of the House being laid before the House by the Clerk, according to Order, the same are as follow; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
For Private Bills - - - - -	*13	13	4
Of which,			
To Mr. Speaker - - - - -	5	0	0
To his Secretary - - - - -	0	10	0
To the Clerk, for the several Readings - - - - -	3	13	4
And for Breviating, Amendments, Interlocutory Orders and other Proceedings - - - - -	1	5	0
To the Serjeant - - - - -	1	5	0
To the Clerk Assistant - - - - -	1	0	0
Chief Clerk without-doors, who receives the Monies, and pays the several Officers of the House - - - - -	0	10	0
To the Two Doorkeepers - - - - -	0	5	0
To the Housekeeper - - - - -	0	5	0
For the Order of Commitment - - - - -	0	6	8
For any Enacting Clause, the same as a Bill.			
And where the Bill concerns a County or Counties, or Corporation or Corporations, or in such-like Cases which are called double Bills, double those Fees.			
To the Speaker's Secretary for every Warrant signed by the Speaker, for new Writs, Commitment, Discharge, or Witness to attend - - - - -	0	10	0
To the Clerk :			
Swearing every Member without and within-doors, upon the Clerk of the Crown's Return, upon any Vacancy after the Sessions begun, and filing the Certificate, and entering in the Return Book - - - - -	1	5	0
For the Teste, by Act of Parliament, at the Table - - - - -	0	1	0
For every Order, upon Motion or Petition, or Committee appointed in private Concerns, or Copies of them, or of Committees in public Matters, taken out by any Persons - - - - -	0	6	8
For every Order of Commitment or Discharge of any Person - - - - -	0	6	8
For Searches in the Journal - - - - -	0	6	8
For Copies of Petitions, Reports, or other Matters, out of the Journal, if under Ten Sheets - - - - -	0	6	8
If above Ten Sheets, per Sheet - - - - -	0	1	0
For Copies of Bills, per Sheet - - - - -	0	1	0
But if to Members, only, per Sheet - - - - -	0	0	4
For ingrossing Bills, per Press - - - - -	0	12	6
For every Hearing at the Bar, on each Side - - - - -	1	13	4
And to the Clerk Assistant - - - - -	0	6	8
To the Clerk, for attending Committees of the whole House in private Concerns, or Grand Committees - - - - -	0	15	4
And for preparing the Report, and Transcribing - - - - -	0	10	0
To the Clerk Assistant - - - - -	0	6	8
For Orders of such Committees - - - - -	0	5	0
For reading a long Report at the Table, and entering in the Journal, in private Matters - - - - -	0	10	0
And for a short Report - - - - -	0	6	8
To the Clerk, for swearing every Person at the Table to be naturalized - - - - -	0	13	4
And to the Serjeant - - - - -	0	12	6
To the Clerk Assistant for reading a Petition - - - - -	0	2	0
To the Clerk of the Committee of Elections, for attending the hearing the Merits of the Cause - - - - -	0	13	4
For drawing the Report - - - - -	0	6	8
Fair Copy for the Chairman - - - - -	0	3	4
For each Exhibit - - - - -	0	2	0
For Examination of a Witness - - - - -	0	2	6
For each Order of the Committee - - - - -	0	5	0
To the Four Clerks without-doors, attending upon the Committees of this Honourable House :			
For attending to adjourn a Committee on a private Bill or Petition - - - - -	0	3	4
For attending a Sitting of the Committee upon such Bill or Petition - - - - -	0	6	8
For drawing and transcribing the Report for such Committee - - - - -	0	6	8
And, where the Bill or Petition concerns a County, Corporation, or Body of People, or in such-like Cases, which pay double Fees to the House, double those Fees.			
For a Summons for a Witness to attend a Committee - - - - -	0	2	6
For examining a Witness, and taking the Consent of a Party to the Passing of a Bill - - - - -	0	2	6
For every Deed, or other Exhibit, made use of before the Committee - - - - -	0	2	0
The House-keeper's Fees :			
For every private Committee - - - - -	0	5	0
For every Hearing at the Bar - - - - -	0	10	0
For every single Bill - - - - -	0	5	0
For every double Bill - - - - -	0	10	0
For every Prisoner discharged by the House - - - - -	0	5	0
The Serjeant's Fees :			
For taking a Knight into Custody - - - - -	5	0	0
For a Gentleman - - - - -	3	6	8
For every Day in Custody - - - - -	1	0	0

\* This is so both in the Journal, and in the original Paper; but is evidently wrong: It should be "14l."

For

	£.	s.	d.
For every Knight of the Shire, when sworn into the House	0	10	0
For every Burgess	0	5	0
For every Counsel pleading at the Bar, or elsewhere	0	10	0
For bringing any Criminal to the Bar	0	6	8
For Riding Charges, for every Mile	0	0	6

## To the Four Messengers:

For serving any Summons of the House	0	6	8
For serving the Orders of the Committees	0	2	6
For attending the Prisoners, per diem	0	6	8
For keeping the Door at a private Committee	0	2	6

## To the Two Door-keepers:

For an Attendance at the Bar	0	7	6
For delivering Papers at the Door	0	5	0
Upon the Discharge of every Prisoner, to each	0	2	6
Upon the swearing any Member on a new Return	0	5	0

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to inspect the said Table of Fees; and that they report their Opinions therein to the House:

And it is referred to Sir Rowland Gwyn, Sir Richard Onslow, Mr. Mountstevens, Mr. St. Johns, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Dolben, Mr. Harcourt, Sir John Manwaring, Mr. Scobell, Mr. England, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Parkhurst, Sir Cha. Bloys, Mr. Pierpoint, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Blofield, Mr. Birch, Mr. Vaughan, Sir John Phillips, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Cook, Sir Humphry Mackworth: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Supply.

Mr. Conyers, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Thirty thousand Men be employed in the Sea Service for a Summer Guard for the Year 1701.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, for maintaining the said Thirty thousand Men, Four Pounds per Man, per Month, be allowed, including the Ordnance for Sea Service.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Thirty thousand Men be employed in the Sea Service, for a Summer Guard for the Year 1701.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That, for maintaining the said Thirty thousand Men, Four Pounds per Man, per Month, be allowed, including the Ordnance for Sea Service.

London Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of London, in the room of Gilbert Heathcote, Esquire.

Exchequer Bills.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Lownds, Sir John Leveson Gower, Colonel Byerley, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Herne, Sir Tho. Littleton, Mr. Boyle, Sir Cha. Bloys, Sir John Mordant, Mr. Jeffries, be added to the Committee, to whom it is referred to inspect the several Contracts, relating to the circulating of Exchequer Bills.

Limitation and Succession of the Crown.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Saturday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of that Part of his Majesty's gracious Speech, which relates to the Succession.

New Shoreham Election.

A Petition of David Punnett and Henry Guilford, on behalf of themselves and several others of the Inhabitants of the Borough of New Shoreham, in the County of

Sussex, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That their free Right of electing Burgesses to Parliament hath been invaded by Mr. Nathanael Gould, a mere Stranger in the said Borough; who, a few Days before the last Election, came down from London, and ordered the publick Crier of the said Borough to give Notice with his Bell, to all the Votesmen, to come to the King's Arms, to receive a Guinea a Man to drink Mr. Gold's Health; by which, and other corrupt Practices, he procured himself to be elected and returned, most of the Votesmen having received a Guinea apiece: And praying the Consideration of the House therein.

*Ordered*, That the Matter of the said Petition be heard at the Bar of this House.

*Ordered*, That the Matter of the said Petition be heard at the Bar of this House upon Saturday, the 15th Day of March next.

Mr. Lownds, according to Order, presented to the Supply Bill; House a Bill for renewing the Bills of Credit, commonly called Exchequer Bills: And the same was received. Exchequer Bills.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Supply Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning, at Eleven a Clock.

Mr. Conyers also reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move, That the Estimate of the Ordinary of the Navy, and of the Charge of the Extra Repairs of the Navy, for the Year 1701, may be laid before the House.

*Ordered*, That the Estimate of the Ordinary of the Navy, and of the Charge of the Extra Repairs of the Navy, be laid before this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Estimates be laid before this House by the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of England.

Mr. Conyers also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Monday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Jovis, 27<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

## PRAYERS.

Bowyers'  
Marriage  
Settlement.

A PETITION of Sir *John Bowyer* Baronet was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner's Father left some Debts upon the Estate now come to the Petitioner; who is in Treaty for a Marriage with a Person of a considerable Fortune, which will overpay the Debts, and make the Petitioner easy in his Affairs; but that he cannot make a Settlement, being but Eighteen Years of Age: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill, for vesting his Estate in Trustees, to enable him to make a Settlement, in order to his Marriage, agreeable with the Fortune he shall have.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *John Leveson Gower* and Mr. *Palmes* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Killiow's  
Estate.

A Petition of *Christopher Killiow* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That his Father, being seised in Fee of several Lands, devised the same to Trustees, for 21 Years, for Payment of Debts, and raising Portions and Maintenance for his younger Children; Remainder to the Petitioner and his Heirs, in Tail Male: That the said Estate is insufficient to perform the Uses of the Will: But the Petitioner, being desirous the same should be performed, has given new Securities for the said Debts and Legacies; and is willing, that another Estate, whereof he is seised in Fee, should be also sold with the aforesaid Lands, to pay the said Debts and Legacies, which will eat out the same, by incident Charges, and Interest, if not assisted by an Act of Parliament; the Petitioner being willing, that the Remainder of the last said . . . . be settled, as an Equivalent, to such Uses as are mentioned in the said Will: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill, for Sale of the said several Lands, to pay Debts, and raise Portions and Maintenance, and for settling Lands according to the said Will.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Scobell* and Mr. *Portescue* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Darwent Na-  
vigation.

A Petition of the Gentlemen, Freeholders, Mercers, Drapers, Grocers, and other the Traders, within the Borough of *Malton*; and several of the Gentlemen and Freeholders of several Towns nigh thereto, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Malton* is a great trading Market Town in *Yorkshire*, situate upon the River *Darwent*, which runs into the River *Ouze*, and is capable of being made navigable; and will thereby be a great Ease and Advantage to the Petitioners, and other neighbouring Towns; who now are forced, at very great Charges, to carry and re-carry their Goods many Miles by Land: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for making the River *Darwent* navigable, at the Charge of such Gentlemen as shall undertake the same.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Palmes* and Sir *John Kay* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Debtors  
Petition.

A Petition of the poor distressed Prisoners for Debt, in the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, on behalf of themselves, and many Thousands more in the several Prisons and Gaols of this Kingdom, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are in a miserable Condition, by reason of their long Confinement; and if not speedily relieved, must inevitably perish, and their Wives and Children come to the Parish: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for relieving the Petitioners from their Confinement.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Prisoners in *Ludgate* is referred.

A Petition of the poor Prisoners for Debt in the Gaol of *Rothwell*, for the Honour of *Pontefract*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there are above 60 Prisoners for Debt in the said Gaol; who, with their Wives and Children, are, by their long Confinement, ruined, many of them being likely to perish, there being no Allowance for Prisoners; many of whom have been substantial Housekeepers, and might have paid their just Debts, had they had their Liberty; but are kept confined merely to gratify the Malice of some Creditors, who know the Petitioners have offered the utmost in their Power towards their Satisfaction, and have no Intent to avoid Payment of their Debts: And praying, That some Relief may be found out for the Petitioners.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Prisoners in *Ludgate* is referred.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent the Embracing and Corrupting of Juries: And that Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Birch*, and Mr. *Dolben*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

A Petition of several Freemen of the Borough of *Liverpoole*, in the County of *Lancaster*, on behalf of themselves, and several other Freemen of the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the late Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough, Sir *Cleave Moor*, Sir *William Norris*, and *Wm. Clayton* Esquire, stood Candidates; and *Richard Norris* Esquire, Brother to Sir *William*, and Mayor of the Corporation, and others, did, by Menaces, and other undue Practices, get several Votes for Sir *William Norris*, who would otherwise have voted for Sir *Cleave Moore*; and deterred others that would have voted for him, from voting at all; and the Mayor hath returned Sir *William*, though he is in the *East Indies*; for which Reason the Petitioners are advised he is not capable of representing the said Borough in Parliament: And praying, That the House will take the Premises into Consideration.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of several of the Burgesses of the Borough of *Wobley*, in the County of *Hereford*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *John Birch* Esquire, by Bribery, and other indirect Means, hath procured himself to be chosen and returned a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough, to the great Reproach and Scandal thereof: And praying, That the House will declare the said Election of Mr. *Birch* void; and take such further Order therein, as to the House shall seem just.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

The House, being informed, That Mr. *Evelyn*, the Treasurer of *Greenwich* Hospital, attended, according to Order;

He was called in; and, at the Bar presented to the House an Abstract of his Account, as Treasurer to *Greenwich* Hospital.

And then withdrew.

And the Title of the Account was read:

And the said Account is as followeth; viz.

An

An ACCOUNT of the Receipts and Payments made by *John Evelyn Esquire*, as Treasurer to *Greenwich Hospital*.

## DEBTOR.

	£.	s.	d.
To Money received in the Year 1696, of the King, due at <i>Christmas</i> 1695	-	-	-
To more, received by Subscriptions and Free Gifts, in the said Year 1696	-	-	-
To more, received in the Year 1697, of the King, due at <i>Christmas</i> 1696	-	-	-
To more, received by Money arising by Seamen's Wages, per 6 <i>d.</i> per Month, in the said Year 1697	3,334	16	3
To more, received per Subscriptions, &c. for the said Year 1697	-	-	-
To more, received for Seamen's Wages in the Year 1698	-	-	-
To more, received, per Subscriptions, &c. in the said Year 1698	-	-	-
Several <i>French</i> Merchants fined by Parliament 19,500 <i>l.</i> of which received in Money	-	-	-
The rest in Million Lottery Tickets, payable in 12 Years.	-	-	-
To more, received per Seamen's Wages for the Year 1699	-	-	-
To more, received per Subscriptions, &c. in the said Year 1699	-	-	-
To more, received in the said Year 1699, in Part of the said Tickets	-	-	-
To more, received per Seamen's Wages, for the said Year 1700	-	-	-
To more, received per Subscriptions, &c. in the Year 1700	-	-	-
To more, received of the Trustees for <i>Greenwich</i> Lottery Adventure	-	-	-
To more, received in 1700, in further Part of the said Tickets	-	-	-
To more, received for Seamen's Wages, in Part for 1701	-	-	-

Received £. 61,685 19 2

The whole Six-pences arising by Seamen's Wages for the Four Years, and Part of the Fifth } Year above-mentioned, amount to	44,313	2	6
Remains in the Treasurer's Custody, in Million Lottery Tickets, to be paid in Ten Years	11,434	0	0

## Per Contra CREDITOR.

By Money paid, as appears by the Monthly Book, for the Works at <i>Greenwich</i> Hospital, and } incident Charges in the Year 1697	5,915	18	7½
By Money paid, as per the Monthly Book ditto, in the Year 1697	8,971	10	4½
By Money paid, as per the Monthly Book ditto, in 1698	11,585	13	10½
By Money paid, as per the Monthly Book ditto, in the Year 1699	19,614	9	8½
By Money paid, as per the Monthly Book ditto, in the Year 1700	13,843	2	10½

£. 59,930 15 6

	£.	s.	d.
Receipts - -	61,685	19	2
Disbursements	59,930	15	6
To Balance -	£. 1,755	2	8

*Evelyn*, Treasurer.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Hospitals, &c.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom it was referred to inquire into the Abuses in the Revenues of Hospitals, have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Orford Charters, &c.

*Ordered*, That the Charters, Assembly Books, and Court Books, of the Corporation of *Orford*, be brought to the Clerk of the Committee of Privileges and Elections, to be inspected by the Parties concerned, or their Agents; who may take Copies thereof, as they shall think fit.

Book relating to St. Albans, to be produced.

*Ordered*, That the Grants of such Charities as belong to the Borough of *St. Albans*; and the several Books and Writings concerning the Distribution of the same; and also the several Books relating to the Freemen within the said Borough; be forthwith left, by such Persons as have the same, with the Clerk of the Committee of Privileges and Elections, to be inspected by the Persons concerned, or their Agents; who may take Copies thereof, as they shall think fit.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolution which they had directed him to report; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee,  
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That a Sum, not exceeding Two hundred thousand Pounds, Part of the Sum of Five hundred thousand Pounds, to be advanced upon the Credit of the First Aids that shall be granted to his Majesty this Session of Parliament, be applied towards the Payment of the Arrears of Seamen's Wages.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Sum not exceeding 200,000*l.* Part of the Sum of 500,000*l.* to be advanced upon the Credit of the First Aids that shall be granted to his Majesty this Session of Parliament, be applied towards the Payment of the Arrears of Seamen's Wages.

Sir *Thomas Littleton*, according to Order, presented to the House the Treasurer of the Navy's Account of Money abated and paid for the Use of *Greenwich* Hospital: And the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

Money abated and paid to *Greenwich* Hospital.

	£.	s.	d.
To Money abated on Ships and Yard } Books	7,032	5	5
Paid to the Treasurer of <i>Greenwich</i> } Hospital	6,900	0	0

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Mr. *Lovandes*, according to Order presented to the House an Account of the Deficiencies of Parliamentary Funds, since his Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown:

Deficiencies of Parliamentary Funds.

And the Title thereof was read:

And the Account is as followeth; *viz.*

25. February



25 February 1700.	Exchequer Bills.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
The Principal of all Exchequer Bills which were issued to amount to		-	-	-	2,699,990	0	0
The Bills cancelled, being satisfied out of the Capitation Duties, besides Interest		575,581	10	4			
The Bills cancelled, upon the Act for One Shilling in the Pound upon Land, Anno 97, and the late Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage, did, besides Interest, amount to		1,097,724	0	0			
The Bills cancelled, being satisfied out of Loans or Money on the Three Shillings Aid Anno 1698, did, besides Interest, make		156,052	0	0			
					1,829,347	10	0

So the Principal, remaining upon the Exchequer Bills unsatisfied, is

	£.	s.	d.
Towards which there is now in the Exchequer of the said Funds	29	11	8
And the Arrears standing out of the Capitation, per Estimation	6,000	0	0
Arrears of the said Twelve-pence in the Pound upon Land, per Estimation	4,000	0	0
Arrears of the said late Aid of Three Shillings in the Pound, Anno 1698, per Estimation	35,000	0	0
	45,029	11	8½

So the Deficiency for Exchequer Bills, besides all Interest, due and to grow due, is

*Memorandum:* By Clauses in the Acts for the said Bills, Page 132, and 531, this Deficiency was chargeable on any Aids to be granted in Parliament.

*Memorandum* also: There are some Arrears of the said late Tonage and Poundage still unrecovered; but they are liable to Debentures.

#### Aid of Three Shillings in the Pound.

There was borrowed upon the First Three Shillings Aid, payable Anno 1697, at 8l. per Cent.	1,500,000	0	0
The Principal Money paid off is	1,076,901	0	0
So the Principal Money, resting due, is	423,099	0	0

*Memorandum:* There are Arrears standing out of this Aid, of about 8000l. and the Arrears of this Tax have been applied to Interest, as fast as they could be recovered.

#### Duties on Paper and Parchment.

There was granted, for Two Years ending 1st March 1698, and the Loans thereupon, at 8 per Cent. did amount to	30,000	0	0
The said Duties have paid off, besides Interest	14,600	0	0
So the Principal, remaining unsatisfied upon these Duties, is	15,400	0	0

#### Malt Duties.

There were made forth in 10l. Tickets, bearing an Interest of a Farthing a Day until the 25th March 1699; and a Half-penny a Day from thenceforth as many as amounted to 1,217,930l. and in Benefit Tickets bearing no Interest, the Sum of 45,810l.; in both	1,263,740	0	0
The Principal paid off upon the 10l. Tickets, besides Interest, hath amounted to 650,000l.; and upon the Tickets 24,175l.; in both	674,175	0	0
So there remains in Principal Money, upon the 10l. Tickets, 567,930l. and upon the Benefits, 21,635l.; in both	589,565	0	0
To which, adding the Interest of the 10l. Tickets, at a Farthing a Day for a Year and Three Quarters, from <i>Midsummer</i> 1697, to <i>Lady-day</i> 1699, amounting to 37,788l. 1s.; and the Interest of the same at a Halfpenny a Day, for Two Years more, until <i>Lady-day</i> 1701, amounting to 86,372l. 13s. 9d.; in both	124,160	14	9
Total	713,725	14	9

	£.	s.	d.
Towards which there is in the Exchequer	4,557	17	3
In the Hands of the Paymaster of the said Tickets	1,211	3	4
And to be answered by the Collectors of this Duty per Estimation	7,000	0	0
Then the Deficiency of this Fund amounts to			
<i>Memorandum:</i> By a Clause in the Malt Act, Pag. 453, this Deficiency was chargeable on the First Aid which should be granted after <i>Michaelmas</i> 1699.			
			700,956 14 2

#### Third Quarterly Poll.

The Sum borrowed on this Tax, which was payable in the Year 1698, at 7l. per Cent. for the First 250,000l. and 8l. per Cent. for the Remainder was	499,820	17	0
Of which there has been repaid	270,050	0	0
So that, besides all Interest due, and to grow due, towards which the Sum of 16,000l. per Estimation, may still be collected of Arrears, there rests, to clear the Principal			229,770 17 0

Coffee,

## Coffee, Tea, Hawkers, and Pedlars.

The Duties on Coffee and Tea are granted until May 1701; and those on Hawkers and Pedlars until 24th June 1701; to pay the Interest for the *Irish* Transport Debt; the Principal only of which Debt, being payable by the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; there will be a Deficiency to pay the Interest, unless the Lands be speedily sold, or those Duties continued.

*Memorandum*, That, by a Clause in the Act, for Sale of forfeited *Irish* Estates, Fol. 55. it is provided, That the Principal and Interest of the said Exchequer Bills, and of the Tallies and Orders on the First Three Shillings Aid; and of the said Duties on Paper and Parchment; and of the Tickets, called the Malt Tickets; and of the Tallies and Orders on the said Third Quarterly Poll; shall be taken as Sterling Money, in purchasing the said Estates; but it does not yet appear how far the said Debts and Deficiencies will be lessened thereby.

## Duties on Leather.

These were granted for Three Years, which determined the 20th April 1700; and were appropriated to pay off 567,400*l.* which had been lent on the Coal Duties, Anno 1695; and the Interest thereof; of which Principal Sum, there has been repaid but 60,262*l.*: So there remains a Deficiency, besides Interest due, and to grow due, of - - - - -

*Memorandum*: It is enacted, Page 430. That if the Duties upon Leather fall short, the Deficiency shall be made good out of the next Aid, to be granted after the End of the said Three Years.

## Third Three Shillings Aid.

There was borrowed on this Aid, which was payable in the Year 1699, the Sum of 1,400,000*l.* at 7*l.* per Cent. per Annum, Interest; and there has been since repaid, of the said Principal Sum, 1,351,864*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.*: So remains, to complete the same, 48,135*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.*: Towards which, the Arrears standing out in the Hands of Receivers and Collectors, amount, per Estimation, to 23,306*l.*: And then the Deficiency of this Tax, unprovided for, besides Interest, will be

In all, Two Millions Seven hundred Twenty-four thousand Six Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Eleven Pence Three Farthings. - - - - -

Wm. Lowndes.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

## Winchelsea Election.

Then the House, according to Order, proceeded to the Hearing of the Merits of the Election for the Town and Port of *Winchelsea*, in the County of *Sussex*, upon the several Petitions of *Robert Austen* Esquire, and *John Hayes* Esquire.

And the Counsel were called in, both for the Petitioners, and for *Thomas Newport* Esquire, and *Robert Bristow* Esquire, the Sitting Members: And the Counsel were heard; and divers Witnesses were examined on both Sides.

And then, the Witnesses, and Counsel, withdrew.

And then the said Mr. *Newport* and Mr. *Bristow* were heard in their Places.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That *Thomas Newport* Esquire is duly elected a Baron to serve in this present Parliament for the Town and Port of *Winchelsea*, in the County of *Sussex*;

It passed in the Negative.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That *Robert Bristow* Esquire, is duly elected a Baron to serve in this present Parliament for the said Town and Port of *Winchelsea*;

It passed in the Negative.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That *Robert Austen* Esquire is duly elected a Baron to serve in this present Parliament for the said Town and Port of *Winchelsea*;

It passed in the Negative.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That *John Hayes* Esquire is duly elected a Baron to serve in this present Parliament for the said Town and Port of *Winchelsea*;

It passed in the Negative.

*Declared*, That the late Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the said Town and Port of *Winchelsea* is a void Election.

*Resolved*, That *John Dunmall*, Agent of *Robert Bristow* Esquire, is guilty of Bribery in the late Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the said Town and Port of *Winchelsea*.

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*Ordered*, That the said *John Dunmall* be, for his said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Persons ordered into Custody for Bribery, &c.

*Resolved*, That Mr. *Edward Martyn*, Mayor of the Town and Port of *Winchelsea*, is guilty of Threats, and indirect Practices, in order to procure an Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the said Town and Port of *Winchelsea*.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Edward Martin* be, for his said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That no Warrant do issue this Session, for electing any Members to serve for the said Town and Port of *Winchelsea*.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, That he will please to order, That the said Mr. *Edward Martin* be turned out of all Employments in his Majesty's Customs.

Address for removing Person from Employments.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 28° die Februarii;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1700.

## PRAYERS.

A BILL for renewing Bills of Credit, commonly called Exchequer Bills, was read a Second time.

Supply Bill; Exchequer Bills.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Tuesday Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

A Petition of *Richard Nodes* Gentleman was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, upon the Petitioner's Intermarriage with *Bridget*, his now Wife, he did settle, and convey to Trustees, Lands and Tenements in *Stevenage*, in the County of *Hertford*, in Part, as a Provision for his Wife and Children; and, for want

Nodes' Estate.

of Issue, to the Petitioner and his Heirs : That he hath Issue a Son and a Daughter only ; and is desirous to part with the Premises ; but cannot, because of the Childrens Infancy ; that such Provision should be made thereout, for his Wife and Children, as was intended by the said Settlement ; to which all Parties concerned are consenting : And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for Sale of the said Lands and Tenements ; and for making Provision for his Wife and Children.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition : And that Mr. *Freeman* and Mr. *Scobell* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Address for  
appointing a  
Fast-day.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, That he will be pleased to issue his Royal Proclamation for a Day of publick Fasting and Humiliation, to implore the Blessing of Almighty God upon the Consultations of this Parliament ; and for the Preservation of the Protestant Religion, and the publick Peace.

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Prizes.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Report, or Account, from the Commissioners for taking, examining, and determining, the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service ; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the War : And that Part of the Report, or Account relating to Prizes ; and also the Copy of the Precept sent by the said Commissioners of Accounts to the Commissioners of Prizes ; and the Scheme thereupon ; were read :

Which Precept is as followeth ; *viz.*

By the Commissioners for putting in Execution the Act, intituled, An Act for appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service ; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War.

We do, by virtue of the Power given to us by the said Act, require you to exhibit to us, upon Oath, an Account of all the Ships and Goods taken, and condemned

as Prize, during the late War ; and how the same, or the Proceed thereof, hath or have been disposed of, in Order of Time successively, as the same were taken and condemned : And, in order to the clearer Stating of this Matter, and the enabling us to lay the same before his Majesty, and both Houses of Parliament, we do hereby require you, in the making your Return to this our Precept, to observe and pursue the Method prescribed in the Five distinct Schemes herewith inclosed, numbered 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. : And we do also require you to exhibit to us a Book, wherein is to be contained Copies, to be attested upon Oath, of all the Patents, Commissions, Instructions, Orders, and Regulations, relating to your Office, since the Existence thereof ; and another Book, containing the Copies, to be in like manner attested, of all Warrants, Orders, or other Directions, for the Disposal of any of the said Prizes, and of all the Monies arising from them, or any of the Goods and Merchandizes taken in them, mentioned in the Scheme, N<sup>o</sup> 4. : And we do further require you to send us, in another Book, to be attested upon Oath, a List of the Names of all the Commissioners, and all other inferior Officers, at Home or Abroad, with the Date and Determination of their Commissions or Warrants, in Succession of Time, from the Commencement of the First Commission for your Office, since the late War, to the 24th of December 1699 : and of the Names of those in being on that Day ; with an Account of what Salaries, or other Allowances, such Commissioners and Officers have received from time to time, by what Warrants, and by whom paid, in the Method directed in the Scheme, N<sup>o</sup> 5. ; together with Copies of such Warrants, to be attested upon Oath : And we further require you to make a Return, at this Place, to this our Precept, on or before the 15th Day of June next : And, for so doing, This shall be your sufficient Warrant. Given under our Hands, at *York-Buildings*, this 30th Day of May 1700.

To *John Parkhurst* and *John Paschall* Esquires, and others the Commissioners and Officers for Prizes ; and to every of them.

*Geo. Langton,*  
*S. Atkins,*  
*Tho. Morice,*  
*Tho. Lister,*  
*Wm. Farrer.*

The S C H E M E to be observed in the Account, as to the Number and Nature of the Prizes, &c.

N° 1.	Names of the Ships and Vessels.	Of what Place the Enemies near as may be.	Where taken.	When.	Names of the Ships and Captains, by whom taken.	Names of the Burden in Tons.	N° of Guns built for.	N° and Quality of Guns received.	Condition as to Hull, Furniture, and Stores, when received.	Whether Men of War, Privateers, or Merchant Men.	Their Denomination, whether Square Stern, Fly Boats, Pinks, Ketches, &c.
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The S C H E M E to be observed in the Account, as to the Disposal and Sale, &c.

N° 2.	Time of their Condemnation.	Where, or in what Courts, condemned.	How disposed of; whether by publick Sale, or otherwise.	At what Place.	Time when.	To whom.	For what Sum.	How paid for, whether in Tallies, Bank or Exchequer Bills, or Money: If in Tallies, upon what Funds.	When paid for.
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The S C H E M E to be observed in the Account, as to Goods and Merchandizes taken, &c.

N° 3.	The Names and Quality of the Goods.	The Quantities.	The Names of the Ships and Vessels, in which they were taken.	The Times when taken, or sold or disposed of.	To whom.	Times when.	At what Rates.	Total Sum.
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The S C H E M E to be observed in the Account of all the Payments made, &c.

N° 4.	The Sum paid.	The Times of the Payments successively.	The Persons to whom.	For what Service, and on what Account.	By whose Order.	Dates of the said Orders.
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The S C H E M E to be observed in the List of the Names of the Commissioners and other Officers, &c.

N° 5.	Names of the Commissioners, and other Officers.	Nature of the Office.	Place of Residence.	Date of Commissions, or Warrants.	When removed, or displaced.	Annual Salaries, or other Allowances.	By what Warrants such Salaries and Allowances were made and paid.	The Names of the Commissioners, and other Officers, on the 24th of December 1699.	Their Salaries at that Time.
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And

Commissioners of Accounts Report respecting Prizes.

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And the House being informed, that the Commissioners of Accounts, and Commissioners of Prizes, attended, according to Order; they were called in: And, they being at the Bar, the said Report, or Account, and Precept, and the Scheme, were again read to them.

And the Commissioners of Accounts delivered in an Account of their Proceedings with the Commissioners of the Prize Office, in relation to the Business of Prizes: which was also read; and is as followeth; viz.

1700. As soon as we had given Notices, and sent out our Precepts and Letters, to the Officers of the Army, as we were directed by the Act first to do; we entered upon that Part of our Duty which relates to the taking an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War, and of the Proceed thereof; and upon the 20th May, made Inquiry, who were the present Commissioners thereof.

May, 27th, } A Precept was considered of, and prepared.

29.

30. And sent away.

31. Delivered to Mr. Paschall, one of the Commissioners.

June 3d. Mr. Paschall, and Mr. Buckeridge, their Accountant, being called in; he acquainted the Board, That he had received their Precept of the 30th of May; and was come to shew, That they were not able, from the Books kept in their Office, or otherwise, to make a Return to several Particulars in the Schemes sent to them in the Precept: Which being called for, he instanced in Two or Three: To which he was told, That the Schemes were drawn upon an Expectation, that their Books and Accounts were kept in good Order and Method; and then they must be enabled to do it; there being none of them demanded without good Reasons, some of which were shewn in the Debates of the Board with him: At least he said, They would comply as far, and as soon, as they could; and in a few Days, lay before the Board, in Writing, their Reasons why they could not comply with the Whole.

June 29th. Mr. Buckeridge came from the Commissioners for Prizes, and brought a Paper, which, he said, contained Reasons, why the Commissioners could not comply with some Part of the Precept, which they received from this Board: Upon which the Board told him, They thought the Precept, which they sent, very well grounded; and that it was the Business of their Office, to have kept their Books and Entries in such a Method, as to have been able to answer the same: But, since they could not, the said Paper was returned him, with Directions, That, with the Return the said Commissioners do make, they signify under their Hands, That they are capable of sending nothing more.

July 2d. Mr. Brucer came to the Board from the Treasurer of the Prize Office, and desired to be informed, what was required of them by the Precept; acquainting the Board, That Mr. Buckeridge was able to have answered any thing that should be demanded of them, he having their Accounts in his Custody; as also, that Mr. Buckeridge always knew what Specie each Ship was sold for, whether Bank Notes, Exchequer Bills, or ready Money; and that the Treasurer, when any Sum was to be received, always had recourse to the Board, to know what they sold for, and in what Specie it was to be received; but that he did not say this, to shew any Unwillingness to obey the Precept: Upon which he was directed to give Mr. Buckeridge Notice to come to the Board, and to attend at the same time himself, that they might receive the Instructions of the Board together.

12. Mr. Brucer, from the Treasurer of the Prize Office, laid before the Board a Specimen of their Accounts, to know whether it would answer Expectation: Which being perused, the Scheme sent by this Board was likewise looked over; and he was acquainted, That the Board expected, that the Return, to be made to the Precept, should be according to the Particulars of that Scheme; and recommended it to him, to consult with Mr. Buckeridge, the Accountant to the said Office; so that the Whole might be answered accordingly: Which he promised to do.

August 20th. Mr. Buckeridge ordered to attend.

22. He did not attend as directed.

September 4th. A Second Precept considered of, and prepared: Which here follows.

By the Commissioners, &c.

5th, Whereas by our Precept, bearing Date the 30th Day of May last, you were required to make a Return thereto, on or before the 15th of June, following; and have, at other times, upon your personal Attendances on this Board, been pressed to bring in the Accounts therein mentioned; which not being yet complied with, we do hereby further require you to exhibit to us, at this Place, a distinct and full Return to our former Precept, on or before the 12th Day of this Instant: And for so doing, This shall be your sufficient Warrant. Given under our Hands, at York Buildings, this 5th Day of September 1700.

W. F. S. A. G. L.

To John Paschall, &c.

6th. Which was delivered to Mr. Paschall's Servant.

12th. No Return made, as was directed by this last Precept.

14. Mr. Buckeridge, from the Prize Office, came, and acquainted the Board, That Mr. Paschall not being in Town, was the Occasion that they did not attend the Board the 12th Instant, as the Precept directed; but that he had made some Progress in the Accounts, and they should be ready by Michaelmas: Upon which the Board told him, That it lay upon him to make all possible Dispatch; and that they should take Notice of the Time limited by their Precept, and when the Return to the same was made.

16th. Mr. Paschall, one of the Commissioners for Prizes, came and acquainted the Board, That he was not in Town when the Precept from this Board came to their Office; but he was in Hopes, last time he had attended this Board, that it was agreed to give them till Michaelmas; which he now desired: That he had employed more Hands, and did not doubt but to be ready at that time: To which he was answered, That this Board had set a Time by their Precept, and never altered the same, nor designed so to do: That the Time drew near for the Meeting of the Parliament, who would expect an Account from this Board of that Matter. Then he promised to bring what was ready done, to see if the Board could receive and proceed upon it: But failing to do it, a Third Precept was agreed on, and sent, as follows:

By, &c.

October 29th. Having received no Return to our Precept, notwithstanding the several Assurances you have given us, here, that your Accounts should long since be laid before us; we do hereby require a full Return to our former Precepts, on or before Friday the 1st of November next, or your Reasons in Writing, under your Hands, for your not complying therewith. Given under our Hands, at York Buildings, this 29th of October 1700.

S. A. G. L. W. F. T. L.

To John Parkhurst, &c.

November 1st. The following Letter was received from them in Answer thereto.

We, the Commissioners for Prizes, having received an Order from you, to lay before you our Accounts in a Method you then prescribed; and we having promised it should be performed by Michaelmas Day last; this is humbly to give you our Reason why we have not performed our Promise. We have endeavoured, with all Diligence possible, to have complied with your Order; but having long before dismissed all our old Clerks, though we have taken the best we could meet withal, yet they have been so dilatory and negligent, and made so many Mistakes, that much of it is to be done over again; by which means, we are become much behind hand in time: Now we are ready, as we are always willing, to lay before you our Accounts, in the Method they were kept by us; which if you think fit to accept of, your own Clerks will inform you of the Tediousness and Difficulty of such a Work put into a new Model: However, we shall not scruple our Pains; but, if you please to have Patience, we shall



shall, in a short Time, and with all the Expedition imaginable, lay them before you, perfected in the Method you have prescribed. We are

Your most humble Servants,  
John Parkhurst,  
John Paschall.

November 11th. And, on the 11th, this Answer returned:

Gentlemen,

We are sorry your Clerks have been so dilatory and negligent, and made so many Mistakes, as you mention in your late Letter; and cannot guess, what sort of Method your Accounts should be kept in; that a Form prescribed by us, so essential, as we conceive, to the giving such Information to the Parliament, as we have Reason to believe they will expect from us, should create you so many Difficulties: For we ourselves are satisfied, without receiving any Information from our Clerks therein, That if the Accounts be kept in such a Method, as we doubt not Gentlemen of your Skill in Business would direct, there would be no other Tediousness or Difficulty, than the transcribing them into the Method we desired. Upon this Occasion, we cannot but observe to you, That more than Half the Time allowed us by Act of Parliament is now elapsed; and therefore we think ourselves obliged, again to press you for a Return to our Precept with all possible Expedition. We are, Gentlemen,

Your humble Servants,  
W. F. T. L. T. M. S. A.

To the Commissioners for Prizes.

13th. And, on the 13th, the following Letter was received from Mr. Paschall:

Gentlemen,

I received yours of the 11th Instant; and do assure you, all possible Care is, and shall be, taken to make a Return to your Precept: Which will be done with all imaginable Speed. I am, Gentlemen,

Your most humble Servant,  
John Paschall.

December 5th. Mr. Buckeridge ordered to attend.

7. Mr. Buckeridge, of the Prize Office, attended; and was put in Mind how far the Time was elapsed, in which it was expected their Accounts should have been brought in: To which he said, He had been very ill, otherwise they had been in great Forwardness; but that no Time should be lost; and he hoped they would be finished by Christmas.

Feb. 19th. The following Certificate was sent in a blank Cover to the Commissioners, &c.

I do hereby certify, That Mr. Buckeridge, who, I am informed, has been Accountant General to the Prize Office, is at present so very ill, that I look on him as unable to make up Accounts, which, he says, would have been completed in Three or Four Days; but still, I hope, that, in a Week's Time, he may be able to apply himself to Business, and to finish the before-mentioned Accounts.

Richard Blackmore.

And then the Commissioners of Prizes were heard.

And afterwards the Commissioners of Accounts, and Commissioners of Prizes, withdrew.

And John Parkhurst Esquire, a Member of this House, one of the Commissioners of Prizes, was heard in his Place.

And then he withdrew.

Censure on  
two of the  
Commissioners,  
being  
Members.

Resolved, That John Parkhurst Esquire, one of the Commissioners of the Prizes, having neglected to deliver in the Accounts of the said Commissioners, as required by the Commissioners, appointed by Act of Parliament, to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also, an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; hath been guilty of a Neglect of his Duty in the said Office, and of a Contempt of the said Act.

Resolved, That John Paschall Esquire, one of the Commissioners of the Prizes, having neglected to deliver in the Accounts of the said Commissioners, as required by the Commissioners, appointed by Act of Parliament, to

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take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also, an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; hath been guilty of a Neglect of his Duty in the said Office, and of a Contempt of the said Act.

Ordered, That the said John Parkhurst Esquire be, for his said Offence, committed Prisoner to his Majesty's Tower of London: And that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrants accordingly. Members committed to the Tower.

Ordered, That the said John Paschall Esquire be, for his said Offence, committed Prisoner to his Majesty's Tower of London: And that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrants accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Commissioners of Prizes do, by this Day Three Weeks, make up their Accounts, and transmit the same to the said Commissioners of Accounts, according to the Directions by them received from the said Commissioners of Accounts. Accounts of Prizes.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

Sabbati, 1° die Martii;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1700-1.

#### PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Gentlemen, and other the most substantial Inhabitants, of the Towns and Parishes of Milverton, Wellington, and Places adjacent, within the County of Somerset, as well on the behalf of themselves, and many Hundred more of the like Quality, as of the Serge-weavers, and Worsted-weavers, in those Parts, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Persons concerned in the said Callings are more numerous than any other; and many unskillful Persons, who, for a little Money, have just learned to weave, have not only brought a Discredit to the said Trade, but themselves and Families are become chargeable to their several Parishes, when their Masters turn them out of Employment, such Persons having never served Apprenticeships to the said Trade: And praying, That the House will redress their Grievances, in such Manner as shall be thought meet. Woollen Manufactures.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws in being, relating to the Woollen Manufactures.

Henry Portman Esquire, being chosen a Citizen for the City of Wells; and also a Burgess for the Borough of Taunton, in the County of Somerset; made his Election to serve for the City of Wells. Taunton Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of Taunton, in the room of the said Henry Portman Esquire.

A Petition of the Inhabitants within the respective Parishes belonging to the Tower Hamlets, in the County of Middlesex, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Hamlets abound very much with indigent Tradesmen, who are daily ruined, by being arrested, and thrown into Gaol, for inconsiderable Debts and Actions; whereby their Families become a Burden to their respective Parishes: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for a Court of Conscience, as it is in London, for the Recovery of small Debts under Forty Shillings. Tower Hamlets Small Debts.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Sir Rowland Gwyn, Mr. Taylor, Sir Cha. Duncombe, Mr. Neville, Sir Rob. Clayton, Mr. Crow, Mr. Clark, Lord Wm. Powlett, Mr. Bridges,

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Colonel

Colonel Stanley, Colonel Granville, Mr. Clayton, Sir Cha. Bloys, Mr. Owen, Sir Wm. Ashurst, Mr. Blofield, Mr. Williams, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Soames, Sir John Parsons, Mr. England, Sir Robert Marsham, Mr. Buller, Mr. Byrch, Sir John Phillips, Mr. Jervoise, Mr. Ashurst, Sir Jeffry Jeffries, Sir Richard Onslow, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Mountstevens; and all that serve for the City of London, County of Surry, and Borough of Southwark; and all of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, or Bills, for the setting the Poor on Work; and for the providing for such as are not able to work: And that Sir Rowland Gwyn, Sir Robert Clayton, Sir William Ashurst, Mr. Topham, Sir John Phillips, and Mr. Clark, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the said Persons, to inspect the Laws relating to the Poor: And that they do prepare, and bring in, a Bill, or Bills, for the Repeal of such of them as are proper so to be; and to reduce the Residue into one Law.

Grants from  
the Crown.

Mr. Lowndes, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of all Grants since the 7th Day of December 1699:

And the same was read, and is as followeth; viz.

April 1700.

A Grant unto Edward Ambrose and Thomas Row, in Trust for Sir Thomas Cook, and John Cass Esquire, of the Shares belonging to Sir John Friend in the *Phoenix* Brewhouse, with the Stock in Trade, Debts, Household Goods, Linen, Plate, Jewels, and other Things, forfeited to his Majesty upon the Conviction of the said Sir John Friend: This in Consideration of 1,000*l.* paid into the Exchequer, and of 4,900*l.* due from Sir John to the said Sir Thomas Cook and Mr. Cass.

A Grant to the Earl of Carlisle, of all the personal Estate forfeited to his Majesty, by the Attainder of Sir John Fenwick, in Consideration of 500*l.* paid by his Majesty's Direction; with a Clause, directing his Lordship, after Payment of 500*l.* and 260*l.* which was owing to himself, to apply the Remainder, all Charges deducted, to Debts owing by the said Sir John Fenwick before his Attainder.

A Grant unto the Mayor and Churchwardens of Windsor, of 50*l.* per Annum out of the Exchequer, in lieu of Lands inclosed by his Majesty, liable to the publick Rates and Taxes.

May 1700.

A Grant unto George Hadley, and others, Trustees in a certain Deed of Conveyance, made by Sir Stephen Fox and Sir Edward Hungerford, of the Manor of Farleigh, with its Appurtenances, in the County of Somerset and Wilts, of the legal Estate, which his Majesty has in the Premises by the Outlawry for Treason of John Caryll, who was another of the said Trustees.

A Grant and Confirmation unto Antony Sturt Esquire, and Daniel Neale, of the Shares which they had in Partnership with Sir John Friend, in the *Phoenix* Brewhouse; which Shares were, in Strictness, supposed to be forfeited by the Attainder of the said Sir John.

June 1700.

A Grant unto John Worth, and others, of the Arrears of the Profits of the Havenors Office of the Duchy of Cornwall, from May 1696, to the 18th of August 1698, the Date of the Lease granted to them: This was done to rectify a Mistake in their Lease.

July 1700.

A Lease to the Earl of Jersey, of a Lodge, now in his Possession, in Hyde Park, with Gardens and Lands thereunto belonging, for 51 Years from the Date, at 13*s.* 4*d.* per Annum Rent; with a Clause of Reassumption on Payment of what hath been, or shall be, expended on the Premises.

A Lease to John Viscount Fitzharding, of the Buildings and Lodgings, now in his Possession, in St. James's Parke,

for 50 Years from the Date, at 13*s.* 4*d.* per Annum; with a like Clause of Reassumption.

A Grant unto Henry Lowman and Mary his Wife, by Warrant under his Majesty's Sign Manual, of the Custody and Keeping of the Fields, and Pasture-grounds, within the Walls of his Majesty's Palace at Kensington, and the Herbage of the same, during Pleasure, without Account.

October 1700.

A Grant unto Nicolas Brady Doctor of Divinity, of an old Arrear of 2,572*l.* 2*s.* 9½*d.* remaining due to his Majesty from Sir Henry Brabant, and others, for the Rents of Excise Farms, which they held in 1665, and 1668.

December 1700.

A Grant unto Doctor Thomas Bray, of 2,242*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* which Ralph Hollingshead Esquire stands indebted to his Majesty, as Receiver General for the County of Chester, in the 30th Year of the Reign of King Charles the 2d: The Money to be recovered is to be employed to erect Libraries in Maryland.

A private Seal, directing a Defalcation, or Abatement, to be made to the Farmers of the Lotteries, of 1,000*l.* per Annum out of the Rent of their Farm, for the Remainder of their Term, which ends at Michaelmas 1703, in Consideration of their Loss by the late Act for suppressing of Lotteries; which takes away all Lotteries, except that of the Royal Oak.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

Mr. Lowndes also, according to Order, presented to the House, the Auditors Fees for the Accounts of the Navy Forces and Ordnance:

And the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

To the Honourable the Knights, Citizens, and Burghesses, assembled in Parliament.

In Obedience to an Order of this Honourable House, dated the 21 Instant; we do humbly lay before this House an Account of the Fees claimed by us, and allowed, for passing the annual Accounts hereafter mentioned: wherein we take Leave to set forth a short Scheme of the Method used by us, in examining and auditing the said Accounts; viz.

For auditing the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Navy, our Allowance is 25*l.* for every Hundred thousand Pounds accounted for by the said Treasurer; which abates or increases, according to the annual Charge of the Navy.

The said Allowance was granted to the Auditors, by Letters of Privy Seal of the late King Charles the Second, dated the 24th of December 1678, grounded on a Report thereof, made by the Honourable Charles Bertie Esquire, Sir Cha. Harbord Knight, and John Lawrence Esquire, to whom the Consideration thereof was referred by the Duke of Leeds, then Lord High Treasurer of England; and confirmed by Letters of Privy Seal of the late King James the 2d, dated the 23d December 1686.

In the examining and making up this Account for Declaration, we observe this Method; viz.

1st, We adjust the Charge, by transferring, and charging over all the Supers, from the Foot of the preceding Account, to the Account for the present Year.

2dly, We examine the Exchequer Charge, with an Imprest Certificate, signed by the Auditor of the Receipt, and Clerk of the Pells.

3dly, We examine and cast all the Rates of old unserviceable Stores, sold by the Navy Board, and other Parts of the voluntary Charge, signed by the Commissioners of the Navy.

In the Discharge is contained, all the Bills for Stores of all Kinds, bought for the Use of the Navy, being entered at large, and the Quantities and Rates thereof particularly set forth; which are all examined and cast by us: The said Leiger-book likewise contains the Salaries of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and principal Officers and Commissioners of the Navy, their Clerks, and others, attending the Business of the Navy in London, and the several Yards, together with the Wages of Ships and

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and Yards; all of which we examine, and compare with former Accounts, to prevent double Allowances.

Lastly, We take care to set *Insuper*, at the Foot of the Account, all Persons who have had any Money Imprested to them for the Service of the Navy; and discharge the said Supers, when they have cleared their Accounts; which done, the said Leiger is reduced under proper Heads, and drawn up in the Form of an Exchequer Account; and, after that, Three times ingrossed for Declaration.

For the annual Accounts of the Forces, is allowed us, ... virtue of his late Majesty's Letters of Privy Seal, and several Warrants under his now Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, 20s. for every Troop of Horse, and Company of Foot, with their Officers, which shall, from time to time, be mustered, and serving in his Majesty's Guards and Garisons, or otherwise, in his Majesty's Pay or Service.

In the stating, examining, and making up, of which Account for Declaration, we observe this Method; viz.

The Accountant's Leiger is signed only by himself; and therefore every Article of it to be vouched.

The Charge we compare with the Imprest-roll, and such other Authorities, by which any Money is issued to the Accountant.

The Discharge we compare with the several Muster-rolls, which are some Thousands, his Majesty's Warrants and Establishments; in examining whereof, besides the very great Trouble of computing the number of Officers and Soldiers in each Troop and Company, which are mustered at least Six times in a Year, we examine and compute each Man's different Pay with the Establishment; deduct all Respites, and compare the net Pay with his Majesty's Warrants, and the Acquittances of the Parties appointed to receive it: So that, besides the Trouble of computing each Man's Pay, and comparing it with the Establishments; there are few Articles in this Account, have less than Five Vouchers belonging to it, which are all examined: When the Account has been thus examined, it is then reduced under proper Heads, and drawn into the Form of an Exchequer Account, which is Three Times ingrossed for Declaration.

For the annual Accounts of the Treasurer, and Paymaster of the Ordnance, wherein is included the Accounts of the Armoury, and of the Tents and Toyls, our Allowance is 240*l.* per Annum; which has been annually allowed by the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury ever since the Year 1672: In the stating whereof, we examine the Quarter Books for Salaries of the principal Officers of the Ordnance, and their Clerks, of the several Store-keepers, Fire-workers, Gunners, Labourers, and others; and compare them with former Accounts, to prevent double Allowances: We likewise examine all Payments made upon Debentures, signed by the principal Officers of the Ordnance, for all Sorts of Stores relating to the Ordnance, for Workmanship, Repairs of Forts, &c. and cast the particular Rates therein; and take care, that the Payments be all duly executed; and, lastly, set *Insuper*, at the Foot of the Account, the several Persons that have had any Money imprested to them for the Service of the Ordnance, in order to their accounting for the same; and discharge the Supers standing out in former Years, and vacated in the present Year: And, when the Account has been thus examined, it is then reduced under proper Heads, and drawn into the Form of an Exchequer Account; and Three Times ingrossed for Declaration.

For Prizes, no Accounts have been brought to us; nor are any Allowances settled for taking these Accounts.

Herein we have humbly represented to this Honourable House a true Account of the Fees allowed to us for examining and auditing the Accounts before-mentioned; and humbly hope, your Honours will take into your Consideration the great Trouble, Care, and Trust, in the faithful Discharge of our Duties; as also, the great Charge we are at to our Deputies and Clerks, Rent of our Offices, Taxes, Stationary Wares, and all other Incidents borne by us out of the said Allowances: Which considered, we humbly hope the Allowances made us will not appear unreasonable.

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All which is humbly submitted to this Honourable House.

28th Feb. 1700.

B. Bridges,  
T. Done.

*Memorandum*: The Right Honourable the Earl of Orford, late Treasurer of his Majesty's Navy, has delivered into our Offices, Accounts to the last of December 1696; whereof the Two first Years are declared; the 3d lies before Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer for Declaration; and the rest, being but newly brought to us, are under Examination.

The Right Honourable the Earl of Ranelagh, as Paymaster of his Majesty's Forces, his Accounts to the 31st of December 1690, are declared: His Account, to the 31st of March 1692, is before the Chancellor, for Declaration: And no other Account of that Office is before us.

The Honourable Charles Bertie Esquire, late Paymaster of the Ordnance, has accounted to the 30th of June 1697: All which Accounts are declared: And no subsequent Accounts of that Office are yet brought to us.

B. Bridges,  
T. Done.

There is due, and claimed, for every intire Account declared at the Treasury, the Sum of Thirty Shillings; which, according to ancient Custom, is divided between the Secretary and his Clerks.

28 Feb. 1700.

Wm. Lowndes.

*Ordered*, That the same do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

*Ordered*, That all the Officers of his Majesty's Exchequer do lay before this House an Account of all Fees claimed by them, respectively, in the Execution of their Offices. Exchequer Fees.

*Ordered*, That the Auditors of the Imprest do, respectively, lay before this House the last Account, made up by them, of the Navy and Army. Navy and Army Accounts.

The House being informed of a Letter that was wrote down to *Bramber*, in the County of *Sussex*, to corrupt the said Borough in the last Election of Members of Parliament there; Bramber Election—Charge of Bribery.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to a Committee, to examine into the Matter of the said Letter; and report the same, to the House.

And it is referred to Colonel *Stringer*, Mr. *Townsend*, Sir *William Ellis*, Mr. *Gulston*, Sir *Wm. Scawen*, Mr. *Rayner*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Owen*, Lord *Powlet*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Topham*, Mr. *Anderton*, Mr. *Jercoise*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Blofield*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Moncton*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Arthington*, Mr. *Thynn*, Sir *Tho. Littleton*, Sir *Edw. Seymour*, Mr. *Crow*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Sir *Hump. Mackworth*, Sir *John Cotton*, Mr. *Eyres*, Sir *Tho. Mompesson*, Sir *John Mordant*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *Bridges*, Colonel *Granville*, Sir *Tho. Wagstaffe*, Mr. *Pelham*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Worsley*, Sir *Jacob Ashley*, Lord *Disert*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Ludgate Prisoners* is referred. Insolvent Debtors.

*Ordered*, That all Persons who have been Commissioners for Prizes, or have been Officers to them, be aiding and assisting to the present Commissioners of Prizes, in making up the Accounts required of the said Commissioners. Accounts of Prizes.

*Alexander Pendarvis* Esquire, being chosen a Burgess for the Borough of *Penryn*; and also, for the Borough of *Saltash*; in the County of *Cornwall*; made his Election to serve for the said Borough of *Penryn*. Saltash Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing

electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Saltash*, in the room of the said *Alexander Pendarvis* Esquire.

Publick Accountants.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more effectual obliging all Persons that receive publick Money, to pass their Accounts with expedition: And that Mr. *Harcourt*, and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Limitation and Succession of the Crown.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of that Part of his Majesty's gracious Speech which relates to the Succession, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of his Majesty's said gracious Speech be referred to the said Committee.

Then the House, according to Order, resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Monday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning next, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 3° die Martii;*

13° Willielmi Anno 1700-1.

#### PRAYERS.

New Way to Lincoln's-inn Fields.

A PETITION of *Cavendish Weedon* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the last Session, the Petitioner obtained an Act for making a new Way out of *Chancery-lane* into *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, instead of the old Way by *Jackanapes-lane*; which he has completed for the Service of the Publick; for which the Petitioner borrowed 3,000*l.* as, by the said Act, he had Liberty to do: But the said Act will be deficient above 1,000*l.* of raising the said 3,000*l.*; which will fall upon the Petitioner, unless relieved by the House: And

praying, That the Deficiencies of the Provisions for making the said Passage may be made good.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Foley*, Sir *Cha. Shuckborough*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Clark*, Sir *Chr. Hales*, Sir *John Wynn*, Mr. *Gulston*, Sir *Wm. Villers*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Sir *William Coriton*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Byrch*, Mr. *Jervise*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Sir *John Phillips*, Sir *Edmund Bacon*, Mr. *Winnington*, Mr. *Holmes*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Sir *Tho. Cock*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Mr. *Mounsteven*, Sir *Wm. Ellis*, Sir *Cha. Pye*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Onslow*, Mr. *Fuller*: and all that serve for *London* and *Westminster*; and all of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Mr. *Aylmer*, from the Commissioners of the Navy, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of the Monies expended in the Management of the Register Office; and of collecting the Six-pence per Menssem out of Seamen's Wages serving in Merchant Ships, for *Greenwich* Hospital, so long as the same was managed by the said Office.

And the Title thereof was read: And the Account is as followeth; viz.

The Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy, intrusted with the Management of the Register Office, and of the Sick and Wounded, in Obedience to a Vote of the Honourable House of Commons of the 24th of February past, requiring an Account of the Money expended in the Management of the Register Office, do humbly represent That the said Office of Register was settled by Orders, from the Lords Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, in pursuance of an Act of Parliament made in the 7th Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for the Increase and Encouragement of Seamen: And that the Expence in managing the said Office, and collecting Sixpence per Menssem for *Greenwich* Hospital, out of Seamen's Wages serving in Merchant Ships, according to the said Act, between the 25th March 1696, and the 16th of July 1699, at which time a Refrenchment was made of the said Charge, hath been as followeth; viz.

Salaries.		£.	s.	d.
To Two Commissioners, at 300 <i>l.</i> per Ann. each, joined to the Commissioners of the Navy employed therein		1,984	0	0
A Secretary, at 200 <i>l.</i> per Annum		611	6	9
Seven Clerks; viz. One at 100 <i>l.</i> One at 80 <i>l.</i> One at 70 <i>l.</i> and Three at 50 <i>l.</i> each, per Annum		1,106	0	8
A Door-keeper at 40 <i>l.</i> and House-keeper at 30 <i>l.</i> per Annum		213	19	4
A Porter and Messenger, at 20 <i>l.</i> each, per Annum		122	5	4
Receiver of the 6 <i>d.</i> per Menssem at <i>London</i> , at 100 <i>l.</i> per Annum		305	13	4
Comptroller of the said Receiver's Accounts, at 80 <i>l.</i> per Annum		244	10	0
Two Clerks to the said Receiver, one at 50 <i>l.</i> the other at 40 <i>l.</i> per Annum		275	2	0
An Officer employed at <i>Gravesend</i> to stop such Ships, whose Masters have not paid the 6 <i>d.</i> per Menssem out of their Seamen's Wages, at 30 <i>l.</i> per Annum		74	11	4
Allowances.				
To the Officers at the Out Ports, their Poundage for collecting the Six-pence per Menssem, and 12 <i>d.</i> for each Man they register		817	12	4½
House Rent.				
For the Two Commissioners above-mentioned, at 50 <i>l.</i> each per Annum		330	13	4
The Head Register Office at 80 <i>l.</i> per Annum		264	10	0
Contingencies.				
Taxes, Repairs, fitting and furnishing the Head Office, and the Receiver's Office, Printing, Stationers Ware, Allowance to Extra Clerks and Writers, the King's Duty for Stamps to Letters of Attorney given gratis to Seamen for empowering their Friends to register them, Fire, Candle, Postage of Letters, &c.		3,107	6	10
At the Cinque Ports.				
Salaries.				
Three Commissioners, at 100 <i>l.</i> per Annum each		680	18	5
A Secretary, at 100 <i>l.</i> per Annum		305	13	4
Two Clerks, at 40 <i>l.</i> per Annum each		244	10	8
A Messenger, at 16 <i>l.</i> per Annum		48	18	1
Eight Officers employed in registering and collecting the 6 <i>d.</i> per Menssem, at the several Ports, at 10 <i>l.</i> each per Annum		200	0	0
		House		



	House Rent.	£.	s.	d.
For the Head Office of the Cinque Ports	- - - - -	61	2	8
		viz. 10,998 14 9½		

From the said 16th of July 1699, when, by the said Retrenchment, the whole Business of the Register, and Sick and Wounded, was put into Management of the said Commissioners of the Navy only, to the 29th of September following, at which time a Second Retrenchment was made, the Expences were;

	Salaries.	£.	s.	d.
To Five Clerks, One at 100 l. Two at 60 l. each, and Two at 50 l. each, per Annum	- - - - -	61	17	4
A Housekeeper, at 30 l.; Messenger, at 20 l.; and Porter at 20 l. per Annum	- - - - -	13	10	8
A Receiver in London, at 100 l. per Annum	- - - - -	19	6	8
Comptroller of the Receiver's Accounts, at 80 l. per Annum	- - - - -	15	10	0
Two Clerks to the said Receiver, One at 50 l. and One at 40 l. per Annum	- - - - -	17	8	0
The Officer at Gravesend for stopping Ships, at 30 l. per Annum	- - - - -	5	16	0
	Allowances.			
To the Officers at the Out Ports for registering Seamen, and collecting the Sixpence per Menssem	- - - - -	90	8	0½
	House Rent.			
For the Head Register Office, at 80 l. per Annum	- - - - -	15	10	0
	Contingencies.			
Taxes, Repairs, Printing, Stationers Ware, Fire, Candle, Post Letters, and other incident Charges	- - - - -	176	0	7
Total	- - - - -	£. 415	7	3½

From the said 29th of September 1699, when the Charge of collecting the Six-pences for Greenwich Hospital, and other Expences relating thereto, were, by Orders from the Lords of the Admiralty, removed out of the Navy, and directed to be defrayed out of the Produce of the aforesaid Sixpences, to the 31st of December last, the Charge of the said Office of Register, and Sick and Wounded, hath been;

	Salaries.	£.	s.	d.
To Five Clerks, One at 100 l. Two at 60 l. and Two at 50 l. each, per Annum	- - - - -	402	10	0
A Housekeeper, at 30 l. a Messenger, at 20 l. and Porter at 20 l. per Annum each	- - - - -	80	0	0
	Allowances.			
To the Officers at the Out Ports for the registering Seamen	- - - - -	20	9	0
	House Rent.			
For the Head Register Office, at 80 l. per Annum	- - - - -	100	0	0
	Contingencies.			
Taxes, Repairs, Printing, Stationers Ware, Fire, Candle, Postage of Letters, and other incident Charges	- - - - -	345	11	10
Total	- - - - -	£. 948	10	10

M. Aylmer,  
John Hill,  
B. Tymewell.

	Abstract.			
Between the { 25th March 1696, and 16th July 1699	- - - - -	10,998	14	9
{ 16 July 1699, and 29th September 1699	- - - - -	415	7	3
{ 29 September 1699, and 31 December 1700	- - - - -	948	10	10
Total	- - - - -	£. 12,362	12	10

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Killiw's  
Estate.

Mr. Scobell, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the more speedy Payment of the Debts of Christopher Killiw Esquire; and for the raising Portions and Maintenance for his Brothers and Sisters, in pursuance of his Father's Will: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Bossiney  
Writ.

Francis Roberts Esquire, being chosen a Burgess for the Borough of Tregoney; and also for the Borough of Bossiney; in the County of Cornwall; made his Election to serve for the said Borough of Tregoney.

Resolved, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of Bossiney, in the room of the said Francis Roberts Esquire.

Passing  
Naval  
Accounts.

Mr. Lyddell, from the Commissioners of the Navy, according to Order, presented to the House an Account  
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of the Progress made in passing the Accounts of the Treasurer of his Majesty's Navy Royal, since the 13th Day of February 1688: And also,

An Abstract of the Defalcations for Slop-cloaths, dead Men's Cloaths, Tobbacco, Chest at Chatham, Chaplains Groats, and Surgeons Two-pences, collected from such Ships and Yard Books, and such other Accounts thereof, as remain in the Office, from the 12th Day of July 1673, to the 27th Day of March 1699.

And the Titles thereof were read:

And the said Account and Abstract are as follow:

The said Account of what Progress is made in passing the said Accounts.

The Lord Falkland was Treasurer of his Majesty's Navy, to the Third of April 1689; for which Time, all the Ships and Yard Books, paid by his Lordship, are made up and adjusted in order to be brought to Account; but the said Leiger is not yet brought to the Navy Board, to be examined and signed.

The Earl of Orford succeeded; and all his Lordship's Leigers are signed, and passed, by the Navy Board, from his Commencement, to the last of December 1696.

The Credit Part of his Lordship's Leiger for the Year 1697, is also signed by the Navy Board; and his  
5 B voluntary

Defalcations  
for Slop  
Cloaths.



voluntary Charge, for that Year, is under Examination, and will be adjusted in a little time.

All the Bills paid by his Lordship in the Year 1698, are brought to Account in his Lordship's Leiger for that Year, and signed by the said Board; and all his Lordship's Pay Books for Ships and Yards, for the said Year, are made up and adjusted, to be brought to Account in the said Leiger.

And all the Ships and Yards Books paid by his Lordship in the Year 1699, to the End of his Lordship's Treasurership, are likewise made up, and adjusted, to be brought to Account in his Lordship's Leiger for that Year.

Sir *Thomas Littleton* succeeded the Earl of *Orford*; and all the Ships and Yards Books paid by him, to the 31st of December last, are made up, adjusted, and signed, by the Navy Board, in order to be brought to Account in his Leiger: And they have likewise signed about one Third Part of his Leiger, for Bills paid within the aforesaid time.

*R. Haddock,*  
*Cha. Sergison,*  
*Dummer,*  
*John Hill,*  
*Tho. Willshaw,*  
*D. Lyddell, &c.*

The said ABSTRACT of Defalcations for Slop-Cloaths, &c.

Between what Time.		Slop Cloaths.		Dead Men's Cloaths.		Tobacco.		Chest at Chatham.		Chaplains Groat.		Surgeons Two-pences.	
Beginning.	Ending.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.
12 July -	1673.	50,832	3 3	0	0 0	0	0 0	13,426	13 10	8,295	15 4	4,578	11 7
1 January -	1674.	3,345	9 1	0	0 0	0	0 0	1,908	6 10	960	10 4	586	3 2
Ditto -	1675.	3,601	17 2	47	19 10	130	14 2	2,017	10 0½	1,082	14 7	617	1 0½
Ditto -	1676.	1,690	11 3	77	7 4	278	15 1	1,978	9 6	1,093	6 0	688	7 9½
Ditto -	1677.	598	18 10	29	13 4	313	12 3	1,221	18 1½	735	3 9	453	5 11½
Ditto -	1678.	4,915	13 6	618	6 2	2,263	4 3	4,336	14 9½	2,695	16 7	1,402	12 9½
Ditto -	1679.	2,954	13 8	616	19 2	1,350	9 1	3,294	18 4	1,896	13 4	1,057	7 4
Ditto -	1680.	716	13 10	49	11 0	179	17 5	1,284	14 3	665	12 6	890	1 6
Ditto -	1681.	2,907	17 8	227	19 5	678	9 3	3,691	0 8½	2,138	6 9	1,253	5 5½
25 June -	1682.	792	7 1	229	14 10	327	16 9	1,731	0 3	1,073	4 10	536	12 5
1st October -	1683.	1,790	3 0	386	14 2	555	9 10	2,778	5 3½	1,781	9 3	1,003	8 2½
1 January -	1684.	912	11 10	273	16 2	302	17 6	2,257	10 8	1,401	14 4	791	15 6½
Ditto -	1685.	1,111	7 3	314	11 2	916	8 8	2,525	7 8½	1,543	6 10	833	10 4½
Ditto -	1686.	298	4 6	378	14 6	252	10 6	1,660	17 5	956	5 0	502	6 9
Ditto -	1687.	227	9 8	192	15 9	178	19 7	1,069	6 1	663	12 8	415	12 9
Ditto -	1688.	£.											
		76,695	16 7	3,444	2 10	7,728	4 5	45,183	2 10	26,981	12 1	15,610	8 8

Note. That, the Navy Office being burnt down in the Beginning of the Year 1673, and most of the Accounts and Books burnt or lost, no Collection can regularly be made of the Defalcations from the Time preceding this Account.

Defalcations from the 13th of February 1688, to the 27th of March 1699.

Between what Time.		Slop Cloaths.		Dead Men's Cloaths.		Tobacco.		Chest at Chatham.		Chaplains Groat.		Surgeons Two-pences.	
Beginning.	Ending.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.
13 February -	1688.	1,076	18 6	310	7 3	1,334	2 7	1,932	14 5	1,238	11 7	733	11 7
1 April -	1690.	3,250	17 1	594	15 5	2,198	2 5	6,452	17 6½	4,179	2 3	2,223	15 11½
1 January -	1690.	6,709	8 10	1,451	14 1	3,926	14 11	8,966	10 4½	5,706	0 11	3,051	1 1½
Ditto -	1691.	7,645	6 11	1,519	10 3	4,177	19 3	8,834	0 7½	5,514	4 1	2,947	14 11½
Ditto -	1692.	12,863	11 2	1,331	10 10	5,335	10 9	18,210	18 11	7,798	19 0	4,176	3 9
Ditto -	1693.	16,452	13 8	1,543	3 1	8,271	9 6	17,319	16 11	8,586	1 2	4,469	13 8
Ditto -	1694.	15,837	2 5	2,276	14 10	11,704	8 6	16,179	2 11½	8,080	15 7	4,418	11 2½
Ditto -	1695.	11,624	8 8	2,152	7 9	6,244	15 9	8,183	1 4½	4,853	19 7	2,623	1 6½
Ditto -	1696.	16,929	12 6	1,036	15 10	9,560	1 10	11,407	7 9	6,997	12 4	3,626	11 10
Ditto -	1697.	23,995	18 1	3,171	10 4	11,063	18 10	14,853	13 6½	8,704	19 9	4,702	12 7½
Ditto -	1698.	3,357	5 0	795	6 10	2,280	8 2	3,673	7 4½	1,840	4 3	920	2 1½
Ditto -	1699.	£.											
		119,743	2 10	16,184	16 6	66,097	12 6	116,013	11 9½	63,536	10 6	33,893	0 4½

*Note,* That this Account contains the Defalcations made upon the Books of Ships and Yards, paid before the Vote of the Honourable House of Commons of the 27th of March 1699.

Navy Office, 3d March 1700.

This is a Copy of the Account of Defalcations presented to the Honourable House of Commons the 5th of March 1699; since which, all the Sea Books for the late Treasurer's time, which were not then made up, having been since made up, and adjusted, it appears;

	Slop Cloaths.	Dead Men's Cloaths.	Tobacco.	Chest at Chatham.	Chaplains Groats.	Surgeons Two-pences.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
There is to be added - - }	544 3 7	43 5 8	297 17 7	1,905 8 4	304 17 1	503 6 3
So that the Totals now are }	120,287 6 5	16,228 2 2	66,395 10 1	117,919 0 8½	63,841 7 7	34,396 6 7½

R. Haddock,  
Dummer,  
Sotherne,  
D. Lyddell,  
Cha. Sergison,  
Tho. Willshaw,  
John Hill.

*Ordered,* That the said Account and Abstract do lie upon the Table, to be perused by ... Members of the House.

Sir Thomas Littleton, according to Order, presented to

the House an Account of all Money received and paid by the Treasurer of His Majesty's Navy, between the 29th Day of May 1699, and the 24th Day of February 1700. Naval Receipts and Payments.  
And the Title thereof was read:  
And the said Account is as followeth:



Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

A Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* was, according to Order, read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Townsend*, Mr. *Gulston*, Sir *Robert Austin*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Fortescue*, Sir *Wm. Villers*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Jervice*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Walcott*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *John Phillips*, Sir *Fra. Child*, Sir *Fran. Masham*, Mr. *Yates*, Sir *John Kaye*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Mr. *Gorges*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Byrch*, Mr. *Eyre*, Sir *Tho. May*, Mr. *Sayer*, Sir *Edw. Hungerford*, Mr. *Folky*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Hoblyn*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Ordered, That the Petition of *William Lenthall* Esquire, which lies upon the Table, be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee.

Answers to  
Address.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, for the issuing his Royal Proclamation for a Day of publick Fasting and Humiliation; his Majesty had been pleased to give Order for a Draught to be made of a Proclamation for that Purpose, to be settled in Council upon *Thursday* next.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* also acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That he would please to order, That Mr. *Edward Martyn*, Mayor of *Winchelsea*, may be turned out of all Employments in his Majesty's Customs; his Majesty had been pleased to give Directions accordingly.

Charge of  
Bribery  
against Mr.  
*Shepherd*, a  
Member.

Ordered, That Mr. *Shepherd* be heard by his Counsel, upon the Charge against him, upon the Eleventh Day of March instant.

Ordered, That the Auditors of the Duchy of *Lancaster* do lay before this House an Account of all Grants in the said Duchy, since the 7th Day of December 1699.

Debtors  
Petition.

A Petition of the poor distressed Prisoners for Debt, in his Majesty's Gaol for the County of *Gloucester*, was

presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are many in Number; who, through Losses, and other Misfortunes, have suffered long Imprisonment, and must inevitably starve, if not relieved by some Bill to pass into a Law for their Enlargement: And praying the Compassion of the House therein.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Prisoners in *Ludgate* is referred;

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Commissioners appointed to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; do lay before this House the Warrants by which the Respites on the Musters of the several Regiments of the Army were taken off.

Respites on  
Musters.

Sir *Richard Onslow*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to resume the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick: And the same was received.

Supply Bill;  
Resumption  
of Grants.

The Bill was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Friday* Morning next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Edward Allen* Scrivener, and Mr. *Glover*, do attend this House, upon the Eleventh of March instant, when the Charge against Mr. *Shepherd* is to be heard.

Charge of  
Bribery  
against Mr.  
*Shepherd*, a  
Member.

Sir *George Rook*, from the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, according to Order, presented to the House an Abstract of the ordinary Estimate of the Navy for the Year 1701: And also,

Navy  
Estimate.

An Estimate of the Charge of the Extra Works proposed to be performed at his Majesty's several Yards in the Year 1701.

And the Titles thereof were read.

And the said Abstract and Estimate are as follow;

viz.

The said ABSTRACT of the ordinary Estimate of the Navy for the Year 1701.

		£.	s.	d.
1	Lords of the Admiralty, Commissioners of the Navy, with their Secretaries, Officers, Clerks, and Instruments; Rents of the Offices, and Contingencies relating thereunto, &c.	25,303	17	8
2	Pensions to the superannuated Officers, and to the Widows of others	11,968	15	1
		£.	s.	d.
3	Chatham	3,247	0	6
4	Deptford	2,836	8	10
5	Woolwich	2,273	18	8
6	Portsmouth	3,286	16	3
7	Sheerness	1,557	19	11
8	Plymouth	2,162	18	11
		15,365	3	1
9	Muster-masters, and other Officers of Out Ports	1,374	0	0
10	Wages to Ships and Vessels in Ordinary	28,177	6	5
11	Victualling for the Officers and Men serving therein	12,273	2	6
12	Charge of Harbour-moorings	39,521	0	0
13	Ordinary Repairs for the Ships in Harbour, and of the Docks, Wharfs, Store-houses, &c.	38,257	0	0
14	Allowances to Sea Officers on Shore, whilst out of Employment, according to an Establishment on that behalf	18,113	2	6
15	Charge of the Office for registering Seamen, and taking care of the Sick and Wounded	28,922	0	0

The total Sum is - - £. 219,275 7 3

*J. Bridgwater,*  
*Haversham,*  
*G. Rooke,*  
*D. Mitchell,*  
*Geo. Churchill.*

The



The said Estimate of the Charge of the Extra Works to be performed at his Majesty's several Yards in the Year 1701.

For carrying on the Works of his Majesty's Ships under Repair and Rebuilding; finishing such as can be finished; and taking in hand as many of the other Ships, wanting Rebuilding, or Extra Repairs, as can be taken in hand; and completing their Rigging, Ground Tackle, and Stores - - - - -	£. s. d. 120,000 0 0
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## At Deptford.

For rebuilding the Master Shipwright's House, which is ready to tumble down	£. s. d. 500 0 0
For making a single dry Dock, of about 190 Feet long, and 53 Feet wide at the Gates - - - - -	5,000 0 0

5,500 0 0

## Woolwich.

For enlarging the single Dock to render it capable to receive a First Rate - - - - -	990 0 0
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## Chatham.

For rebuilding a new Boat-house, or Houses, on the West Side of the Mast-dock, for Preservation of Boats for the Ships that lie up there - - - - -	1,120 0 0
For removing the remaining Part of the Bank against the lower Dock, for Deepening of the River - - - - -	2,000 0 0

3,120 0 0

## Portsmouth.

For rebuilding a Jetty Wharf on the North Side of the Yard - - - - -	2,300 0 0
For enlarging the Mast-dock for the better Preservation of Masts from Decay - - - - -	5,871 0 0
For building the Sheds to contain 44 Boats behind the Boat-houses, for the better preserving them from Decay - - - - -	992 0 0
For taking down the old Mast-house, which is ready to fall; and, erecting, in its room, a convenient House for the Joiners and Sail-makers to work in; and for a Mould-loft; all which are much wanted - - - - -	2,429 0 0
For erecting a Wall round the said Yard, of 3,114 Feet in Length, and 16 Feet in Height, to be of Stone or Brick; and for levelling the Banks for that Purpose, in case it be thought fit to have it done - - - - -	3,774 0 0

15,336 0 0

## Plymouth.

For building a new Store-house on the North Side of the Yard, which is greatly wanted - - - - -	1,523 0 0
For Setting up a Jetty-head and Six new Saw-houses - - - - -	823 0 0
For lengthening the Plank-yard towards the Water-side, and setting up Four new Houses, with a Shed for the Stowage of Planks, &c. - - - - -	260 0 0

2,606 0 0

## London.

For repairing the Victualling Office, which is very much gone to Decay, and ready to drop down - - - - -	945 0 0
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The total Sum is - £. 148,497 0 0

J. Bridgewater,  
Haversham,  
G. Rooke,  
D. Mitchell,  
Geo. Churchill.

**Ordered,** That the Consideration of the said Abstract, and Estimate, be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Accounts  
from Army  
and Navy  
Treasurers.

**Ordered,** That such of the Treasurers and Paymasters of the Navy, and Army, and Ordnance, as have not yet laid before this House the Abstracts of all Monies come to their Hands, since the Fifth Day of November 1688, and how the same hath been expended, and what remains in their Hands, and for what Uses; pursuant to the Order of the 24th of February last, do lay the same before this House by this Day Fortnight.

Accounts of  
Prizes.

**Ordered,** That an Account be laid before this House, of all Prizes taken in the *Mediterranean* during the late War; and the Produce thereof; and how the same have been disposed of.

**Ordered,** That an Account be laid before this House, of all Prizes taken by the several Packet Boats; and the Produce thereof; and how the same have been disposed of.

**Ordered,** That there be an Account laid before this House, of all Prizes taken during the late War; and how the same have been disposed of by the respective Persons concerned therein.

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Mr. Conyers, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of that Part of His Majesty's gracious Speech, which relates to the Succession, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Limitation  
and Succession  
of the  
Crown.

**Resolved,** That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, for the preserving the Peace and Happiness of this Kingdom, and the Security of the Protestant Religion, it is absolutely necessary, a further Declaration be made of the Limitation and Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line, after his Majesty and the Princess, and the Heirs of their Bodies, respectively.

**Resolved,** That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That further Provision be made for Security of the Rights and Liberties of the People.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, by adding, after "Religion," these Words, "by Law established:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

**Resolved,** That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That, for the preserving the Peace and Happiness of this Kingdom, and the

the Security of the Protestant Religion by Law established, it is absolutely necessary, a further Declaration be made of the Limitation and Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line, after his Majesty and the Princess, and the Heirs of his Bodies, respectively.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, by adding, after "be," the Word "first:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That further Provision be first made for Security of the Rights and Liberties of the People.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of that Part of his Majesty's Speech, which relates to the Succession.

Supply Bill;  
Exchequer  
Bills.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, after the Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill, for renewing the Bills of Credit, commonly called Exchequer Bills, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 4° die Martii;*

12° Willielmi, Anno 1700-1.

#### PRAYERS.

Deale Water-works.

A PETITION of *William Ryder* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the late King *James* the 2d, by Letters Patents, did grant unto *Edward Burdet* Esquire, and the Petitioner, the sole Power and Liberty to erect a Conduit-head, and other Buildings upon the Beach of *New Deale*; and to dig open the Highways, Streets, and waste Grounds, for laying Pipes, and bringing fresh Water to the said Town: The Interest of which Patent is also, by Mortgage, vested in the Petitioner; who hath been at Expence to Engineers, to view and contrive how to effect the said Work; which will be a great Advantage to the Town, and all Shipping coming to the *Downes*; but the same cannot be performed without breaking up some Grounds belonging to private Persons: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to enable him to proceed in so good and necessary an Undertaking.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that the Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, and Sir *Robert Davers*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Woollen Manufactures.

A Petition of the Serge and Worsted-weavers, or other Woollen-weavers, living in or near the Town of *Crediton*, in the County of *Devon*, on behalf of themselves, and others concerned in the said Woollen Manufacture; and also, of the Gentlemen and others inhabiting in or nigh the said Town and Parish; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That a great Number of poor People are solely subsisted by Employment in the said Manufactures; which are come to great Discredit abroad, by reason that Persons exercise the said Trades, who never served their Apprenticeships thereto; and, if not speedily remedied, the Loss of the said Trades may be endangered, the same being thereby much decayed, and the Number of the Poor increased: And praying, That Care may be taken to prevent

Persons from exercising the said Trades, who have not served Apprenticeships thereto, as a Means to restore and support the same.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws in being, relating to the Woollen Manufactures.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Schackerly*, Mr. *Dowdeswell*, Mr. *Godolphin*, Mr. *Carr*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *White*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Inhabitants of the *Tower Hamlets* is referred. Tower Hamlets Small Debts.

Colonel *Stringer* reported from the Committee appointed to examine into the Matter of a Letter wrote down to *Bramber*, to endeavour to corrupt the said Borough, in the late Election of Members of Parliament there, That he was directed by the said Committee to move the House, That they may have Power to inquire into any other Letters, sent to the said Borough, of the same Nature. Charge of Bribery at Bramber Election.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee have Power to inquire into any other Letters, of the same Nature, sent to the said Borough.

*Ordered*, That Major *Morgan* have Leave to go into the Country, for Three Weeks, for Recovery of his Health. Leave of Absence.

A Petition of *William Horton* Esquire, and *Samuel Treaplaud* Doctor of Physick, Trustees to *Thomas Ramsden* Esquire, deceased, and of *Samuel Ramsden* Gentleman, Brother of the said *Tho. Ramsden*; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth: That the said *Thomas Ramsden* died about 29th January 1697, leaving an Infant Heir, and an Estate of about 700*l.* per Annum, charged with Two Jointures, and about 5,000*l.* Debts; by his Will, directing his said Trustees by Mortgage, to raise Money to pay his Debts; but they cannot find any Person to lend such a Sum on the Security of the Estate, by reason of the Jointures, and Infancy of the Heir, about Four Years of Age; so that it is conceived most for the Heir's Advantage by the Petitioners, and all his Relations, to have some Part of the Estate sold to discharge the said Debts, which otherwise will eat out the whole Estate; but the same, by reason of the said Infancy, cannot be done without an Act of Parliament: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the Sale of such Part of the said Estate, as will raise Money to satisfy the said Debts. Ramsden's Estate.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Conyers*, and Sir *John Kay*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

The House being informed, That the Auditors of the Imprest attended, according to Order; Navy and Army Accounts.

They were called in; and at the Bar, presented to the House the last Accounts made up relating to the Navy and Army.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Petition of *John Conant* Doctor of Laws was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the late Election of a Burgess to serve in this Parliament for the Borough of *Northampton*, in the room of *William Thursby* Esquire, deceased, the Petitioner and Mr. *Andrews* stood Candidates; and that Mr. *Andrews*, by Bribes, Promises, and Entertainments, hath procured himself to be returned, in Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises. Northampton Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections; And

And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Supply Bill;  
Exchequer  
Bills.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for renewing the Bills of Credit, commonly called Exchequer Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning, at Eleven a Clock.

Partition  
Treaty.

Mr. Secretary Vernon presented to the House Copies of several Treaties, and Translations thereof.

And the Schedule or List of them was read; and is as followeth; viz.

1. A Copy of the French King's Ratification of the Treaty of Partition.

2. The Translation of the same.

3. A Copy of the Ratification of the separate Article.

4. The Translation of the same.

5. A Copy of the Ratification of the secret Article.

6. A Translation of the same.

7. A Copy of the French King's Declaration upon the Treaty of Partition.

8. A Translation of the same.

9. A Copy of the Dauphin's Declaration upon the said Treaty.

10. A Translation of the Dauphin's Declaration.

Ordered, That the said Copies do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

The Copies are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Conyers also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Mercurii, 5° die Martii;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1700-1.

PRAYERS.

Army  
Arrears.

A PETITION of divers Innkeepers, and others, Traders in the City of Coventry, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Troop of Horse, commanded by Colonel Roger Pope, of the Earl of Arran's Regiment, were, for about Two Years, quartered in the said City; from whence, about April last, they were

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removed into Ireland, without paying several considerable Sums, due to the Petitioners for Quarters, and other Necessaries: And praying Relief touching the same.

Ordered, That it be referred to the Commissioners appointed to take, examine and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also, an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War, to examine the Matter of the said Petition; and state the Fact to this House.

A Petition of divers Traders in and about Covent Garden was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are very sensible of the many Difficulties Trade lies under, by the ill Practices of the King's-Bench and Fleet Prisons; which is become a mere Licensing Office to all fraudulent Dealers; whereby all the Laws in being, to confine any Person, are insignificant; which manifestly tends to the Ruin of all personal Credit: That this House, the last Session, came to several good Resolutions for remedying those Abuses; but, by reason of the many Prorogations, did not perfect the same: And praying, That some Methods may be found out for the redressing of the said Grievances.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the King's-Bench and Fleet is committed: And that Mr. Colt, Mr. Gregory, Mr. Knowles, Mr. Clark, Mr. Bucknall, Mr. Crocker, be added to the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Treasurer or Receiver to the Commissioners of Prizes, do lay before this House an Account, in general, of what he has received; and a particular distinct Account of what he has paid, and to whom, by what Orders, and for what Service, since he first came into that Office.

Account of  
Prizes.

The House being informed, That Mr. Atkins, one of the Commissioners of Accounts, attended;

Respite of  
Musters.

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House, according to Order, Copies of the Warrants for Respite on the Musters of the several Regiments of the Army.

And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the said Copies do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

They are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Saturday Morning next, take into Consideration what has been done, in pursuance of his Majesty's most gracious Answer to the Address of this House, the last Session of Parliament, in relation to Justices of Peace and the Lieutenancy.

Justices of  
Peace, &c.

Sir Rowland Gwyn, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Confirmation and Performance of the Articles made for the Marriage of William Vaughan and Frances Vaughan, Infants: And the same was received.

Vaughan's  
Marriage  
Articles.

Mr. Conyers, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for renewing the Bills of Credit, commonly called Exchequer Bills, was committed, the Amendments made by the Committee, to the said Bill; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Supply Bill;  
Exchequer  
Bills.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments be ingrossed.

Mr. Conyers, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his

Supply.

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Majesty

Majesty; the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, for the Ordinary of the Navy, for the Year 1701, exclusive of the Charge for registering Seamen.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, for the extraordinary Repairs of the Navy, for the Year 1701.

The said Resolutions being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Dore's, &c.  
Petition.

A Petition of Lieutenant Colonel *Dore*, Captain *John Foulke*, Captain *Edward Rigby*, Captain *Joseph Hargrave*, Captain *Medburne Smith*, and Captain *Griffith May*, late of the Regiment of Foot commanded by Colonel *John Gibson*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That \* \* \* \*

That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, to examine the Matter of the said Petition; and state the Fact to this House.

Commissions  
of Lieutenancy, &c.

*Ordered*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, That he will please to direct, That a List may be laid before this House, of such Persons as are in the Commissions of Lieutenancy in the several Counties, and of the Alterations that have been made therein, pursuant to his Majesty's gracious Answer to the Address of this House, the last Session of Parliament.

*Ordered*, That the Chancellor of the County Palatine of *Lancaster* do lay before this House a List of the Justices of Peace in the said County Palatine.

*Ordered*, That a List be laid before this House, of all the Justices of the Peace in the other respective Counties of *England* and *Wales*.

*Ordered*, That the said List be laid before this House, by the Clerk of the Crown.

Limitation  
and Succession  
of the  
Crown.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of that Part of his Majesty's gracious Speech which relates to the Succession.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of that Part of his Majesty's gracious Speech which relates to the Succession.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 6<sup>o</sup> die Martii;*

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1700-1.

PRAYERS.

Vaughan's  
Marriage  
Articles.

A BILL to enable *William Vaughan* Esquire, and *Frances Vaughan*, his intended Wife, being both under the Age of Twenty-one Years, to perform Articles made for their Marriage, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Sir *John Leveson Gower*, according to Order, pre-

sented to the House a Bill for vesting the Estate of Sir *John Bowyer* Baronet in Trustees, to enable him to make a Settlement, in order to his Marriage: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Thomas Stringer* Esquire, being chosen a Burgess for the Borough of *Clitheroe*, in the County of *Lancaster*; and also a Burgess for the Borough of *Bramber*, in the County of *Sussex*; made his Election to serve for the said Borough of *Clitheroe*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Bramber*, in the room of the said *Thomas Stringer* Esquire.

Sir *Christopher Musgrave* Baronet, being chosen a Burgess for the University of *Oxford*; and also a Knight of the Shire for the County of *Westmoreland*; made his Election to serve for the said County of *Westmoreland*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said University of *Oxford*, in the room of the said Sir *Christopher Musgrave* Baronet.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dore* and Mr. *Rigby* have Leave to attend the Lords, as Witnesses, if they think fit, in a Matter before the Lords.

An ingrossed Bill for renewing the Bills of Credit, commonly called Exchequer Bills, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for renewing the Bills of Credit, commonly called Exchequer Bills.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Conyers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* presented to the House, according to Order, Copies of several Treaties.

*Ordered*, That the said Copies do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

The Copies are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

The House being informed, That there was a Person attended, from the Trustees for the Sale of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*;

He was called in; and, at the Bar, acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Trustees to attend this House, with a Report of their Proceedings in their Commissions: And he presented the same to the House, under their Hands and Seals.

And then he withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday* next.

The House being informed, That the Auditor of the Duchy of *Lancaster* attended;

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House an Account of all Grants in his Majesty's Duchy of *Lancaster* since the 17th of December 1699.

And then he withdrew.

And the Title of the said Account was read.

And the Account is as followeth; viz.

1699. December 5th.

A Patent to *John Haynes* junior, Gentleman, of the Office of Clerk of the Markets, within the Honour of *Tutbury*, in the Counties of *Stafford*, *Derby*, *Nottingham*, *Leicester*, and *Warwick*, quam diu se bene gesserit. Ult<sup>o</sup> Februarii.

A Patent to *Francis Wyndham* Esquire, of the Office of Steward of his Majesty's Courts, within his Majesty's said Duchy, in the Counties of *Norfolke*, *Suff.* and *Cambridge*, during his Majesty's Pleasure.

20 January,

20 January.

A Patent to *Richard Woollaston* Esquire, of the Office of Steward of the Wapentages of *Salford* and *West-Derbyshire*; and Office of Master Forester of *Symons-Wood*, and *Crattath*, during his Majesty's Pleasure.

14 December.

A Lease to Sir *Henry Bellasys* Knight, of several Incroachments lying to, or lately enjoyed with, his Lodge, called *South-Baily* Lodge, in his Majesty's Chase of *Endfield*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for 94 Years, from *Lady-day* then last past, at the yearly Rent of 5*l.* per Annum.

14 December.

A Lease to *Christopher Lyster* Esquire, of several Incroachments, lying to, or lately enjoyed with, his Lodge, called *East-Baily* Lodge, in the said Chase of *Endfield*, for 94 Years, at the yearly Rent of 5*l.* per Annum.

*Memorandum*, These following are Farms or Leases for 31 Years, or for a less Number of Years, in Reversion, to make the present Terms in being up 31 Years, at the ancient Rent, and for Fines paid for the same.

Ult' Februarii.

A Lease to the said Mr. *Windham*, of the Offices of Bailiff, Feodar, Escheator, &c. with the Profits of Court, and Wrecks at Sea, within the Liberty of the Duchy, in the Counties of *Norfolk*, *Suffolke*, and *Canterbury*, for 24 Years in Reversion, at the yearly Rent of 29*l.* per Annum.

Ult' Februarii.

A Lease to Sir *Nathanael Curzon* Baronet, of Tythes within the Wards of *Belper Chcoin* or *Holland*, in *Derbyshire*, for 27 Years in Reversion, at the yearly Rent of 2*l.* per Annum.

1700, April the 15th.

A Lease to Mr. *Bennet*, of the Office of Bailiff of *Salford*, and of Cottages and Incroachments in the County of *Lancaster*, for 8 Years in Reversion, at the yearly Rent of 11*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.* per Annum.

2d August.

A Lease to Mr. *Flamstead*, of the Hundred of *Griesly*, in the County of *Derby*, for 31 Years, at the yearly Rent of 4*l.* 10*s.* per Annum.

*Jo. Bennett*, Auditor.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Kidd's  
Piracies.

*Ordered*, That the Examinations, Instructions, and also all other Papers, transmitted from the Earl of *Bellmont*, relating to Captain *Kidd*, be laid before the House, by the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*.

Great Grims-  
by Election.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to hear the Merits of the Election for the Borough of *Great Grimsby*, in the County of *Lincolne*, upon the Petition of *Arthur Moor*, Esquire: And the Counsel and Witnesses, on both Sides, were called in, and heard.

And the Counsel for the Petitioner, in the proceeding in the Evidence, offering to produce Witnesses to prove the Confession of several Voters, that they had Money given them for their Votes;

The Counsel for the Sitting Member objecting against such Evidence;

The Counsel withdrew upon that Point, Whether Evidence shall be given of such Confessions.

*Resolved*, That the Counsel be permitted to give Evidence of the Voters Confession of Bribery.

And the Counsel were called in again: And they proceeded with their Evidence: Which being gone through on the Petitioner's Side;

The Counsel for the Sitting Member proceeded with their Evidence.

And Mr. *Clayton*, the Mayor of *Grimsby*, being offered as a Witness on his Part; who being objected against by the Petitioner's Counsel, as being a Person, charged in the Petition, and proved to be concerned in paying Money to the Voters;

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The Counsel withdrew upon the Point, Whether the Sitting Member's Counsel shall be permitted to examine the said Mr. *Clayton*.

And the Question being put, That the Counsel be permitted to examine the said Mr. *Clayton*;

It passed in the Negative.

And the Counsel were called in again, and heard.

And the Counsel withdrew.

And the Question being put, That *William Coatsworth* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Great Grimsby*, in the County of *Lincolne*.

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That it appears to this House, That *Wm. Coatsworth* Esquire hath been notoriously guilty of Bribery, and other indirect Practices, in order to procure himself to be returned a Member of this present Parliament for the Borough of *Great Grimsby*, in the County of *Lincolne*.

*Ordered*, That the said *William Cotesworth* Esquire be, for the said Offence, committed Prisoner to his Majesty's Tower of *London*: And that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrants accordingly.

Then the Question being put, That *Arthur Moor* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Great Grimsby*;

It passed in the Negative.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That it appears to this House, That *Arthur Moor* Esquire hath, by Bribery, and other indirect Practices, endeavoured to procure himself to be elected a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Great Grimsby*;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *Persons* *Clayton*, Mayor of the said Borough of *Great Grimsby*, is guilty of Bribery, and other indirect Practices, in procuring *William Cotesworth* Esquire to be elected a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *Perks* is guilty of indirect Practices, in relation to the electing *William Cotesworth* Esquire, to be a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Great Grimsby*.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *Story* is guilty of distributing Money, and other indirect Practices, in order to the electing *William Cotesworth* Esquire to be a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Great Grimsby*.

*Resolved*, That Mr. *Jeffries* is guilty of distributing Money, and other indirect Practices, in order to the electing *William Cotesworth* Esquire to be a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Great Grimsby*.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *Bourman*, is guilty of distributing Money, and other indirect Practices, in order to the electing *William Cotesworth* Esquire to be a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Great Grimsby*.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Perks*, Mr. *Story*, Mr. *Jeffries*, and Mr. *Bourman*, be, for their said respective Offences, taken into the Custody of the Sergeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Rogers*, Merchant of *Hull*, be summoned to attend this House, to give an Account, touching the Money that was sent down to the Borough of *Grimsby*, in order to the Election there.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, Candles. That Candles be brought in;

It passed in the Negative.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Ordered into  
Custody.



Veneris, 7<sup>o</sup> die Martii;13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1700-1.

## PRAYERS.

Thetford  
Writ.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a Letter from the Right Honourable Sir Joseph Williamson, who is ill at his House, That he, being chosen a Citizen for the City of Rochester; and also a Burgess for the Borough of Thetford, in the County of Norfolk; made his Election to serve for the City of Rochester.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of Thetford, in the room of the said Sir Joseph Williamson.

Tower  
Hamlets  
Small Debts.

Ordered, That Sir Humph. Briggs, Lord Cheine, Mr. Pynnett, Mr. Gott, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Inhabitants of the Tower Hamlets is referred.

Members  
double re-  
turned, and  
abroad,  
making their  
Election.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a Letter from the Honourable William Howard Esquire, at Paris, That he, being elected a Knight of the Shire for the County of Northumberland; and also a Burgess for the Borough of Morpeth, in the said County; made his Election to serve for the County of Northumberland.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to search Precedents, in relation to what has been done where Members have been absent in foreign Parts:

And it is referred to Sir Henry Bellasis, Sir Samuel Barnardiston, Mr. Dolben, Sir Jacob Ashley, Sir Richard Cocks, Sir Robert Cotton, Mr. Boyle, Mr. Howard, Sir

Edward Seymour, Mr. Lowther, Sir Robert Davers, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Woodroffe, Mr. Birch, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Scobell, Mr. Boscawen, Sir Tho. Meers, Sir Chr. Musgrave, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Stonehouse, Sir John Bolles, Mr. Clerk, Mr. Bridges, Sir Rich. Onslow, Mr. Pagitt, Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Woollaston, Mr. Cook, Mr. Soames, Mr. Cox; or any Five of them: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And are to sit *de die in diem*.

The House being informed, That the Secretary of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of England attended, with several Papers, according to Order;

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House several Papers relating to Captain Kidd; and a Schedule of them.

And then he withdrew.

The House being informed, That several Officers of the Exchequer attended, according to Order;

They were called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House an Account of the Fees taken by the Clerk of the Pipe, and the Officers there, for passing the Accounts of the Receivers of the several Aids and Taxes granted to his Majesty by Act of Parliament, and for other publick Accounts: And also,

An Account of Fees taken by the First Secondary in the King's Remembrancer's Office in the Exchequer, upon passing publick Accounts: And also,

A Certificate of Fees taken by the First Secondary in the Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office in the Exchequer, upon passing publick Accounts.

And then they withdrew.

And the Titles of the said Accounts were read.

And the Accounts are as follow; viz.

The said Account of Fees taken by the Clerk of the Pipe, and other Officers there, for passing the Accounts of Receivers General.

	Clerk of the Pipe.			Comptroller and Clerk.			Attorney.			Writing Clerk.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
For the several Aids and Taxes aforesaid, where the Receipt is under 20,000 <i>l.</i>	0	10	0	0	6	8	1	0	0	0	6	8
Receipts between 20 and 30,000 <i>l.</i>	0	13	4	0	10	0	1	5	0	0	10	0
Receipts between 30 and 40,000 <i>l.</i>	0	13	4	0	10	0	1	10	0	0	10	0
Receipts between 40 and 60,000 <i>l.</i>	0	16	8	0	13	4	1	15	0	0	13	4
Receipts between 60, and 80,000 <i>l.</i>	1	0	0	0	16	8	2	0	0	0	16	8
Receipts above 80,000 <i>l.</i>	1	6	8	1	0	0	2	10	0	0	16	8
As for the Tax upon Houses, as likewise on Births, Burials, &c. the several Receivers pay to the aforesaid Officers, as followeth;	0	6	8	0	3	4	1	0	0	0	6	8
Except York, which pays in the Whole, for the said Tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	13	4
London, Middlesex, and Westminster, which pay in the Whole	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	4

*Memorandum*: Besides the Fees aforesaid, the Secondary of the said Office takes 12*d.* for examining and allowing each Tally in the said Accounts; and the Bagman of the said Office takes Sixpence for each Tally, for Portage of the same to Westminster, to be joined to the Deputy Chamberlain, and for bringing them back again; and each Accounting City or Town, being Sixteen in Number, payeth 3*s.* 4*d.* where no particular Receiver is appointed to receive the same.

Peter Frowde, Dep. Cler. Pipæ.  
J. Potenger, Comptroller.

Fees taken by the Clerk of the Pipe, Secondary, and Attorney, upon other publick Accounts; viz.

	Clerk of the Pipe.			Attorney and Writing Clerk.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Upon the Cash Account of the Customs	10	0	0	32	0	0
The Three Cash Accounts of the new Impositions	6	0	0	20	0	0
The Cash Account of the Excise	3	6	8	12	0	0
The Account of the General Letters and Penny Post Office	5	0	0	21	6	8
The Account of the Duties upon Paper, Parchment, &c.	2	0	0	6	0	0
The Account for Linen, Hawkers, and Pedlars	1	0	0	3	0	0
The Account for Licensing Hackney Coaches	1	0	0	3	0	0

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The Number of Tallies upon the said Accounts are uncertain.

But there is taken by the Secondary for examining the Tallies with the Accounts, and allowing them upon Record for each Tally, 12 *d.*

For the Portubag of the Office there is likewise taken, Exchequer for Portage of Tallies to *Westminster*, to be joined by Fees. the Deputy Chamberlain, and for bringing them back to the Office, 5, 10, 20, or 30 *s.* according to the Number of Tallies.

	Clerks of the Pipe.			Attorney and Writing Clerk.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Upon the General Account of the Customs	-	6	0	20	0	0
the Three General Accounts of the New Impositions	-	6	0	20	0	0
the General Account of the Excise	-	3	6	12	0	0
the Account of the Treasurer of the Ordnance	-	3	6	15	0	0
the Treasurer of the Navy	-	5	0	20	0	0
the Victuallers of the Navy	-	3	6	11	10	0
the Paymaster of his Majesty's Guards, Garisons, and Land Forces	-	9	0	28	0	0
the Cofferer of his Majesty's Houshold	-	2	0	4	0	0
the Account of the Master of the Great Wardrobe	-	3	6	11	13	4
the Gentleman of his Majesty's Robes	-	2	0	4	0	0
the Treasurer of her late Majesty Queen <i>Mary</i>	-	3	6	10	0	0
the Treasurer of the Chambers	-	3	6	10	0	0
the Paymaster of his Majesty's Works and Buildings	-	2	0	4	0	0
the Master Worker of his Majesty's Mint	-	2	0	4	0	0
the Coinage Duty	-	1	0	2	0	0
the Account of the Wine Licences, when brought into the Office	-	3	0	7	0	0
the Account of the Million Lottery	-	1	10	4	0	0

*Peter Frowde*, Dep. Cler. Pipæ.

Pipe Office, 6 March 1700.

The said ACCOUNT of Fees taken by the First Secondary of the King's Remembrancer's Office.

	£.	s.	d.
Receipts above 80,000 <i>l.</i>	-	1	10
Receipts for above 40,000 <i>l.</i> to 60,000 <i>l.</i>	-	1	0
Receipts from above 30,000 <i>l.</i> to 40,000 <i>l.</i>	-	1	0
Receipts from above 20,000 <i>l.</i> to 30,000 <i>l.</i>	-	0	13
Receipts from above 10,000 <i>l.</i> to 20,000 <i>l.</i>	-	0	10
Receipts under 10,000 <i>l.</i>	-	0	6

Where any Receiver desires a Commission to take his Account.

Commission to the King's Remembrancer, for his Fee to the Attorney, and for Stamp and Seal of such Commission	-	0	19	8
Drawing, Ingrossing, and Stamp, of the Affidavit, and Return annexed to each Commission	-	0	2	6
Inrolling the Commission, Affidavit, and Return	-	0	6	8
For carrying the Accounts and Tallies to the other Offices	-	0	1	0

Fees taken by the said Secondary, for drawing out and entering other publick Accounts, with all the Sums set *Insuper* therein.

	£.	s.	d.
Treasurer of the Navy	-	10	0
Victuallers of the Navy	-	5	0
Treasurer of the Ordnance	-	20	0
Master and Gentleman of his Majesty's Robes	-	1	1
Treasurer of his Majesty's Chamber	-	1	6
Paymaster of his Majesty's Works and Buildings	-	2	0
Receiver of the Revenues of the Honour of <i>Windsor</i> , and Paymaster of the Works there	-	2	10
Paymaster of his Majesty's Guards and Garisons	-	10	0
Master of the great Wardrobe	-	2	0
Clerk of the Hamper	-	1	6
Master and Worker of his Majesty's Mint	-	3	0
Cofferer of his Majesty's Houshold	-	3	4
Cash Account of the Customs	-	6	9
General Account of the Customs	-	20	0
Treasurer and Receiver to the late Queen <i>Mary</i> , per Annum	-	2	14
Malt Tickets and Benefits	-	2	3
Three Cash Accounts of new Impositions	-	9	13
Three General Accounts, ditto	-	20	0
Account of Coinage Duty	-	2	0
Cash Account of Excise	-	10	0
General Account of Excise	-	2	0
General Letter Office, and Peny Post Office	-	10	0
Wine Licence Account	-	3	0
Stamp Duty	-	5	7
Duty on Hackney Coaches	-	4	0
Million Lottery Account	-	1	10
Duty on Hawkers and Pedlars	-	1	10

*Geo. Watts.*

Exchequer  
Fees.

The said Certificate of Fees taken by the First Secondary in the Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office; viz.

## Upon Account of Taxes and Assessments.

	£.	s.	d.
For drawing out and entering any Tax Account, where the Receipt is			
Above 80,000 <i>l.</i>	-	-	1 0 0
Between 40 and 60,000 <i>l.</i>	-	-	0 13 4
Between 30 and 40,000 <i>l.</i>	-	-	0 13 4
Between 20 and 30,000 <i>l.</i>	-	-	0 10 0
Between 10 and 20,000 <i>l.</i>	-	-	0 6 8
Under 10,000 <i>l.</i>	-	-	0 5 0

## Upon other publick Accounts.

For drawing out and entering an Account of the Treasurer of the Navy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	9	0
Victuallers of the Navy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0	0
Treasurer of the Ordnance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	8
Master and Gentleman of his Majesty's Robes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	10	0
Treasurer of his Majesty's Chamber	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0
Paymaster of his Majesty's Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	10	0
For an Account of										
Receiver of <i>Windsor</i> Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	10	0
Paymaster of the Guards and Garisons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	0
Master of the great Wardrobe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	0
Clerk of the Hamper	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0
Master and Worker of the Mint	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0	0
Cofferer of his Majesty's Household	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	0
For the Cash Account of the Grand Customs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	9	0
For the General Account of the Grand Customs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	9	0
For Three Cash Accounts of new Impositions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	9	0
For Three General Accounts, ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	9	0
For the Account of the Coinage Duties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	6
For the General Account of Excise	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	0	0
For the Cash Accounts, ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	0	0
For the General Letter, and Penny Post Offices	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	9	0
For the Account of Commissioners for Wine Licences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0	0
For the Account of the Stamp Duties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	10	0
Duty on Hackney Coaches	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	10	0
Duty on Hawkers and Pedlars	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	10	0
For the Account of										
Million Lottery Payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	10	0
Treasurer and Receiver to the late Queen	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	13	6
Malt Tickets and Payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	10	0

John Tayleur, *Secundar' ex parte, Remem' Thesaur'.*

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Agmondisham  
Election.

A Petition of several Inhabitants of the Borough of *Agmondisham*, in the County of *Bucks*, was offered to the House, relating to the Election there.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Petition be brought up to the Table; It passed in the Negative.

Hertford  
Election.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the Borough of *Hertford*, in the County of *Hertford*, in behalf of themselves, and several other Inhabitants of the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Mayor of *Hertford* did, at the late Election of a Burgess to represent the said Borough, in the room of *Tho. Filmer* Esquire, deceased, permit several pretended Freemen, who were arbitrarily, and contrary to their Charter, made so in the First of the late King *James* the 2d, to poll at the said Election; by means whereof, although *Wm. Monson* Esquire had the Majority of legal Voters for him, he hath unduly returned *Richard Goulston* Esquire; in Prejudice to the Rights of the Petitioners; who complained to the Parliament held in the First Year of his Majesty's Reign, of the like Proceedings: But the then Mayor, and several of the Aldermen, promising to desist from those Practices for the future, the Petitioners prosecuted their Petition no further: Yet the now Mayor, and some of the said Aldermen, have again violated the Rights and Privileges of the said Borough: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and Relief therein.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof;

Resolved, That it appears to this House, upon the Evidence given Yesterday at the Bar, upon the Hearing the Merits of the Election for the Borough of *Great Grimsby*, That Mr. *John Newark*, Agent to *Arthur Moor* Esquire, is guilty of distributing Money, and other indirect Practices, in order to procure the said Mr. *Moor* to be elected a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Great Grimsby*.

Great  
Grimsby  
Election.

Resolved, That it appears to this House, upon the said Hearing, That Mr. *Bransby* is guilty of distributing Money, and other indirect Practices, in order to procure *Arthur Moor* Esquire to be elected a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Great Grimsby*.

Persons  
guilty of  
Bribery  
ordered into  
Custody.

Ordered, That the said Mr. *John Newark*, and Mr. *Bransby*, be, for their said Offences, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, attending this House.

A Letter from Mr. *H. Mason*, to Mr. *William Bransby*, which was produced Yesterday, upon the Hearing touching the Election for the said Borough of *Great Grimsby*, being read; which is as followeth; viz.

Mr. *Bransby*,

I suppose Mr. *Moor* is not well approved on above; but I cannot desire you to be so dirty to your Friend, as to vote against him; but I would advise you not to stickle too much for him, lest you get yourself worse Enemies: I suppose the Lord *William Powlett*, and Sir *Wm. St. Quintin*, recommend one Mr. *Cotesworth* to oppose him; but do as you think fit, and accept of this seasonable Hint from a Friend, and burn it when you have read it: Extremes never do well. You will have a Surveyor General shortly, to inspect your Port, and what

Books

Books you keep for Coal, and other Accounts. I wish Mr. Jefferys and you were kinder, that Business might go on better, and that you might jointly sign his Accounts, which you do not; and pray send a *nihil* Account for Cinders, and likewise your Customs, and in and out; and let me see you when you can spare time, the sooner the better, that I may give you some Instructions against . . . Surveyor comes: I design to desire a Salary for you: I am, in Haste,  
Yours, H. M.

*Resolved*, That the said Mr. Mason, an Officer of the Custom-house at Hull, hath endeavoured, by Threats and Promises, to procure Mr. Bransby to influence the Election of William Cotesworth Esquire to be a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of Great Grimsby.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. Mason be, for his said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Tuesday come Fortnight, take into further Consideration, what hath appeared to this House, in relation to the Election for the said Borough of Great Grimsby.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Rogers, who was yesterday ordered to be summoned to attend this House; and also the Persons who are ordered to be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms; do attend this House upon Tuesday come Fortnight.

*Ordered*, That no Warrant do issue, this Session of Parliament, for any new Writ for the said Borough of Great Grimsby.

Prosecution to be instituted for tampering with Evidence.

*Resolved*, That, it having appeared to this House, that there has been an illegal and indirect Practice, at the Borough of Great Grimsby, to examine Persons upon Oath, and take Affidavits, in relation to the Evidence they were to give at the Bar of this House, touching the Election at the said Borough;

*Ordered*, That Mr. Attorney General do prosecute all Persons who took the said Examinations and Affidavits, or were concerned in the Procuring the same.

Duty on Stone, &c.

A Petition of several Persons, on the Behalf of themselves, and many others, who advanced to his Majesty the Sum of 464,700*l.* upon the Credit of an Act of Parliament, made in the Sixth and Seventh Years of his Majesty's Reign, for granting to his Majesty certain Rates and Duties on Stone, Glass, and Earthen-wares, Coals, and Culm, for the Term of Five Years, for carrying on the War against France, empowering his Majesty to borrow the said Money; with a Clause in the said Act, That whatsoever should fall short, or be deficient for Repayment of Principal and Interest, in the time limited, should be transferred to, and made good out of, the first Aids and Supplies to be granted to his Majesty by Parliament, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Sum was accordingly advanced by the Petitioners at 7*l.* per Cent.; but the next Session of Parliament, their said Fund, which undoubtedly was sufficient to have repaid them, was quite taken away, without the Petitioners Consents; and the next Session after, a Duty was laid upon Leather, &c. for Three Years, to repay the said Debt; which Duty expired in April last, leaving above 500,000*l.* Principal, and above Twelve Months Interest, Deficiency: That, in the Session of the 9th and 10th Years of the King, a Duty was again laid on Coals and Culin, for raising 500,000*l.* more, at 8*l.* per Cent.; and then the Petitioners prayed to be restored to their said first Fund, but their Petition was not received by the House: Wherefore the Petitioners now pray, That the House will take their deplorable Case into Consideration, and restore them to their first Security, or make some other effectual Provision for Payment of the said just Debt; wherein, as they conceive, the Honour and Justice, as well as Credit, of the Nation are highly concerned.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who

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are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

A Bill to resume the Grants of Lands and other Revenues, since the Sixth Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick; was, according to Order, read a Second time.

Supply Bill; Resumption of Grants.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Monday come Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider farther of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Supply.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Sabbati, 8<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1700-1.

#### PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Wool-combers, in and about the City of Peterborough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That great Numbers of Persons of all other Trades have intruded into the Petitioners said Trade, so that they cannot get a Livelihood, as they formerly used to do; many of such Intruders taking 14 or more Apprentices to work for them a Year or Two, and then they work as Journeymen, to the Ruin of such as have legally served Apprenticeships to the said Trade: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for regulating the said Trade of Wool-combing, under such Penalties as the House shall think fit.

Woollen Manufacture.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws in being, relating to the Woollen Manufactures.

A Petition of the Masters and Workmen of the Art and Trade of Wool-combing within the City of London, and Bills of Mortality, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That divers Persons, for many Years last past, got a good Livelihood by the said Trade; but, of late, vast Numbers of unskilful Persons have intruded into the said Trade, made bad Goods, and then are forced to sell them at an under Rate; whereby they have impoverished themselves, many of them falling to their respective Parishes for a Maintenance; which Mischiefs, if not timely prevented by some Law, will be the Ruin of the Petitioners, and the said Trade: And praying, That a Bill for regulating the said Trade may pass into a Law; whereby Multitudes of poor Families, within the Bills of Mortality, may receive Employment.

Ditto.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws in being, relating to the Woollen Manufactures.

A Petition of Lewis Girard Gentleman, and several others concerned with him, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have, at great Cost, Pains and Hazard, made Discoveries of several Estates and Revenues, to a good Value, within this Kingdom, applied to the Maintenance of foreign Seminaries, and other Popish superstitious Uses; which the Petitioners are not only ready to discover, but to prosecute the Recovery thereof, at their own Charge; a certain Proportion thereof, such as the House shall judge fit, being allotted the Petitioners; the Remainder to be disposed as the House shall appoint; the Petitioners also offering to submit to such Provisions as shall be thought reasonable, for paying of

Estates given to superstitious Uses.

of Costs, in case the Defendant, upon such Prosecution, shall be acquitted: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee; and that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinions therein to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Dolben*, Sir *Jo. Molesworth*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Boyle*, Earl of *Ranelagh*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Portescue*, Sir *Hen. Goff*, Captain *Dyott*, Sir *Rowland Gwyne*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Jennings*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Hump. Mackworth*, Mr. *Bere*, Mr. *Ekins*, Lord *Cheine*, Sir *William Ellis*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Duke*, Colonel *Stringer*, Mr. *Pagitt*, Mr. *Ash*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Sir *Robert Jenkinson*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Taylor*, Mr. *Harroy*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Townesend*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Carter*, Sir *Edward Hungerford*, Mr. *Moncton*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

St. Albans  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *St. Albans*, be made upon *Monday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock.

Droitwich  
Election.

A Petition of *Robert Steymer* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Proprietors of the several Freehold Estates within the Borough of *Droitwich*, in the County of *Worcester*, have ever had a Right of electing Members to Parliament for the said Borough; the Majority of whom did, at the last Election there, offer their Votes to the Petitioner; but the Bailiffs of the said Borough refused to take them, and have returned *Philip Foley* Esquire as a Burgess, to the Petitioner's great Wrong: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Workhouse  
Offences.

A Petition of the Twelve Governors, Assistants, and Guardians, for the better Relief of the Poor of the Town of *Crediton*, alias *Kirton*, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there are many lewd and disorderly idle Persons in this Kingdom, and particularly in *Crediton*, who commit small Thefts, under 12*d.* Value, and other Misdemeanors, and on Examination, confess the same; and then they are committed to *Bridewell*, or the common Gaol, where they continue several Months; during which time their Families are wholly maintained by the Parish where they live; and commonly such Offenders return out of Gaol greater Thieves than before, the Parish fearing to prosecute them, because of bringing a further Charge upon themselves: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to empower Corporations, constituted by Acts of Parliament, to call before them such Persons as shall have committed small Thefts and Misdemeanors, and punish and keep them to Labour.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more speedy Punishment of certain Offences in Workhouses, or Houses of Correction, erected, or to be erected, by Act of Parliament, for the better Relief of the Poor: And that Mr. *Hoblyn* and Mr. *Northmore* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Frauds in  
Excise.

A Petition of *Joseph Bruxby* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the great Fall of

the Revenue of Excise has chiefly been occasioned through the Want of Skill and Judgment of the late and present Commissioners for Management thereof, who know not how to instruct or contradict their inferior Officers in the . . . . relating to the Brewing Trade; insomuch that the King has been frequently cheated of the Excise of 50 Barrels in 70 of Strong Drink, Three times a Week, in many Brewhouses: That the Petitioner can demonstrate how the Excise may be improved at least 100,000*l.* per Annum, if not Two; which will be advantageous to the Government.

*Resolved*, That the Petition be rejected.

The House being informed, That the Secretary of the Chancellor of the Duchy of *Lancaster* attended; Justices of Peace, &c.

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House a List of the present Justices of the Peace for the County Palatine of *Lancaster*:

And the Title thereof was read.

The List is bound up with the Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That the said List do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Twitty*, one of the Officers in the Exchequer, attended; Exchequer Fees.

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House an Account of all Fees claimed by such of the Officers of the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer, therein particularly mentioned; and as the same was given in to the Barons of the Court of Exchequer, and by them certified to be ancient and legal.

And then he withdrew.

And the Title of the Account was read:

And the Account is as followeth: viz.

*Termino sancti Michaelis; Anno Quarto Regis & Reginae Wilhelmi & Mariae.*

*Martis, 25<sup>o</sup> Octobris.*

Whereas, in and by an Act of this present Parliament, made in the Third Year of the Reign of their present Majesties King *William* and Queen *Mary*, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to their Majesties, of 1,651,702*l.* 18*s.* towards the carrying on a vigorous War against *France*, it is Provided and Enacted, That no Fees should be demanded or taken by any Officer of the Exchequer, or of any Officers thereof, for the Receiving or Issuing any of the Monies granted by the said Act, or any other Act of this present Parliament, for the Aids and Supplies to their Majesties, but such ancient and legal Fees, as shall be allowed by the Lord Chief Baron, and Barons of the Coif of the Court of Exchequer, to be such, and not otherwise: And that the said Chief Baron, and other Barons, are thereby required to present a Table or Schedule of the said Fees to the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, at the next Sessions to be holden for this or the next succeeding Parliament.

In pursuance therefore of the said Act of Parliament, we have called before us the Officers of the Receipt of Exchequer, and received Informations of the Fees demanded or taken by the said Officers, for the Receiving and Issuing the aforesaid Monies; and upon Hearing of them, and Consideration of the whole Matter, we do allow the Fees mentioned in the Tables or Schedules hereunto annexed, and no other, to be ancient legal Fees; and from henceforth to be demanded and taken, by the said Officers, for the receiving and issuing any of the Monies aforesaid: And we do present a Table or Schedule of the said Fees, so allowed, as aforesaid, to the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, according to the said Act of Parliament.

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## The Auditor :

A Table or Schedule of the ancient and legal Fees allowed by the Lord Chief Baron, and Barons of the Coif of the Court of Exchequer, to be demanded and taken by the Auditor of the Receipt of Exchequer, for the receiving and issuing any of the Monies granted by an Act of Parliament, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to their Majesties, of the Sum of 1,651,702 *l.* 18 *s.* towards carrying on a vigorous War against *France*; or any other Act of this present Parliament, for Aids and Supplies to their Majesties.

		For the Receiving of Money :			£.	s.	d.
For every Tally upon Land Taxes, or Polls, be the same more or less		-	-	-	0	0	4
For every 1,000 <i>l.</i> paid in for Excise by Tally, being the like Fee which hath been paid for Monies paid in for Customs		-	-	-	0	0	6

*Memorandum* : That all Aids and Supplies are comprehended under these Two Heads.

## For the Issuing of Money :

For 3,100,000 *l.* expressly, by the said Acts, appropriated to the Navy; and for all other Sums that have been issued, or shall hereafter be issued, to the Navy - Nil.

	Auditor, per Cent.			His Clerk, per Cent.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
For all Monies arising by these Aids and Supplies, which have been appropriated or issued to the Land Forces, according to an Agreement made in the Year 1697, by the then Lord Treasurer, Lord General, and Chancellor of the Exchequer, by and with the Consent of the Officers of the Exchequer, attested by the Right Honourable Sir <i>Steph. Fox</i> Knight, one of the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury; by which Agreement, the Auditor's Fees are lessened from 2 <i>d.</i> in the Pound, which amounts to 16 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> per Cent. and were the ancient legal Fees for Services of this Nature, to 1 <i>d.</i> 16 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> per Pound; which is his Share of 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ per Pound, settled by the aforesaid Agreement, for all the Officers of the Exchequer; so that his and his Clerk's Share amount to -	0	3	6	0	0	0
<i>Memorandum</i> : That these Fees are deducted from the Soldiers out of their Pay, and are not placed upon the King's Account.						
For all Pensions, Annuities, Rewards, Free-gifts, Salaries, Fees, &c. without Account, if the same be paid, by Order, or Debenture	1	0	0	0	5	0
For the same, if the same were paid by Tally of Assignment, <i>de recordo</i>	0	16	8	0	2	6
For Money issued under the Title of secret Service; by which many Pensions, Free-gifts, &c. have been paid; but, under this Head, the Services being not known, the Fee could not be reduced to a proper Head; and therefore, by Agreement, were abated to Half Fees	0	10	0	0	2	6

The Fees hereafter mentioned are attested by a Table of Fees received from Mr. *Wm. Burgis*, in the Year 1676, who had been a long time Clerk in the said Office, asserted upon the Oath of Mr. *Geo. Ranson*, now a Clerk in the said Office; which Fees were anciently brought under the Head of Pensions, Salaries, Wages, &c. the Officers hereafter mentioned making divers Payments to those Uses, and then paid the Fee, at 25 *s.* per Cent. as before; but, for many Years last past, were brought under particular Heads; and the Fees were, by Agreement or Usage in the Exchequer, lessened according to several Proportions; viz.

	Auditor, per Cent.			His Clerk, per Cent.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
To the Keeper of the Privy Purse	-	-	-	Nil.	-	-
To the Cofferer	-	-	-	Nil.	-	-
To the Treasurer of the Chamber	-	-	-	Nil.	-	-
To the Master of the Robes	-	-	-	Nil.	-	-
To the Master of the Wardrobe	-	-	-	Nil.	-	-
To the Paymaster of the Works	-	-	-	Nil.	-	-
The Office of the Ordnance	-	-	-	Nil.	-	-
The Master of the Horse	-	-	-	0	5	0
The Lieutenant of the <i>Tower</i> , per Quarter, for his Bill	-	-	-	0	13	4
Ambassadors, and Envoys, for Equipage, and Extraordinaries	-	-	-	0	15	0
Ambassadors, and Envoys, for their Entertainments	-	-	-	0	10	0
Judges and Barons	-	-	-	Nil.	-	-
Judges of <i>Wales</i>	-	-	-	0	10	0
Goldsmith, for Plate	-	-	-	0	5	0
The Jeweller	-	-	-	0	10	0
The Mint	-	-	-	0	1	6
The Coal-farmers Defalcations	-	-	-	1	0	0
Service upon Account, except Navy and Forces	-	-	-	0	10	0
The King's Barber, for barbing Linen	-	-	-	0	10	0
The Usher of the Receipt	-	-	-	Nil.	-	-
The Usher of the Court of Exchequer	-	-	-	0	10	0
<i>Windsor Walks</i>	-	-	-	0	4	0
Repairs of Lodges and Parks	-	-	-	0	10	0
Surveyors of the Highways	-	-	-	0	10	0
Messengers Bills	-	-	-	1	0	0
Tents and Toils	-	-	-	0	4	0
New Year's Gifts from the King	-	-	-	0	10	0
The Queen Dowager's Treasurer	-	-	-	0	10	0

Table of  
Exchequer  
Fees.

## Clerk of the Pells :

A Table or Schedule of the ancient and legal Fees allowed by the Lord Chief Baron, and Barons of the Coif and Court of Exchequer, to be demanded and taken by the Clerk of the Pells, in the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer, for the receiving or issuing any of the Monies granted by an Act of Parliament, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to their Majesties, of the Sum of 1,651,702*l.* 18*s.* towards carrying on a vigorous War against *France*; or any other Act of this present Parliament, for Aids and Supplies to their Majesties.

## For Receiving of Money :

	£.	s.	d.
For every Tally upon Land Taxes, or Polls, be the same more or less	-	-	4
For every Thousand Pound, upon Tallies for Excise or Customs	-	0	6

*Memorandum* : All Aids and Supplies are comprehended under these Two Heads.

## For issuing of Money :

For 3,100,000 <i>l.</i> expressly, by these Acts, appropriated to the Navy ; and for all other Sums that have been issued, which are much more, or what shall hereafter be issued to the Navy	Nil.
For all Monies arising by these Aids and Supplies, which have been appropriated or issued to the Land Forces, $\frac{7}{100}$ of a Farthing per Pound, per Cent	0 1 7
For all other Monies arising by these Aids and Supplies, which have been issued to other Uses than before-mentioned, the Clerk of the Pells have received Fees, according to the Heads of the Uses for which they were issued : A Particular of which Heads with Fees, belonging to them, are as follow ; viz.	

	£.	s.	d.
For all Pensions, Annuities, Rewards, Free-gifts, Salaries, Fees, &c. without Account to the Master per Cent.	0	10	0
To the Clerk, per Cent.	0	2	6
For the same Causes, if paid by Tally of Assignment <i>de recordo</i> , per Pound	0	0	2
To the Clerk, per Cent.	0	2	6
There hath been, for many Years last past, an Issue out of the Receipt, under the Title of secret Service ; by which many Pensions, Salaries, and Free-gifts, have been paid ; but had their Salaries been known and specified, then the Fees had been due, according to their proper Heads ; but now by this Method and Agreement, they pay only, per Cent.	0	7	6
Surveyor of the Highways, per Cent.	Nil.		
The Privy Purse, per Cent.	0	1	0
The Cofferer	Nil.		
The Treasurer of the Chamber	Nil.		
The Master of the Robes	Nil.		
The Wardrobe, per Cent.	0	1	0
The Paymaster of the Works, per Cent.	0	1	0
Treasurer of the Navy	Nil.		
Victualler of the Navy	Nil.		
Office of Ordnance	Nil.		
Master of the Horse, per Cent.	0	2	8
Lieutenant of the <i>Tower</i> , for Quarterly Bills, per Quarter	0	6	6
Embassadors, and Envoys, for Equipage, Extraordinaries, and Entertainments	0	7	6
Judges and Barons	Nil.		
The Goldsmith, for Plate, per Cent.	0	1	0
The Jeweller, per Cent.	0	5	0
The Mint, per Cent.	0	1	0
Sea-coal Farmers Defalcations, per Cent	0	5	0
The Usher of the Court of Exchequer, for every Order, being Three in a Year	1	2	6
The Usher of the Receipt	Nil.		
Messengers Bills, per Bill	0	1	0
Tents and Toils	Nil.		
The Queen Dowager's Treasurer, per Cent.	0	6	8
The Lord Privy Seal's Diet, per Cent.	0	7	6
Repairs of Lodges and Parks, per Cent.	0	5	0

## The Four Tellers :

A Table or Schedule of the ancient and legal Fees allowed by the Lord Chief Baron, and Barons of the Coif and Court of Exchequer, to be demanded and taken by the Four Tellers of the Receipt of Exchequer, for receiving or issuing any Money granted by an Act of Parliament, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to their Majesties, of the Sum of 1,651,702*l.* 18*s.* towards carrying on a vigorous War against *France*; or any other Act of this present Parliament, for Aids and Supplies to their Majesties.

## For Receiving of Money :

	£.	s.	d.
Upon receiving in the Money for all Aids and Supplies granted to their Majesties, the Tellers receive	Nil.		
But their Clerks have, for some time last past, taken for every Bill, for which a Tally is struck for Land Taxes or Polls, be the Sum more or less, 1 <i>s.</i> ; which is now reduced to	0	0	8
For every 1,000 <i>l.</i> paid in for Excise, being the like Fee which was anciently paid for Customs	0	1	4

## For Issuing of Money :

	To the Four Tellers, per Cent.	To their Clerks, per Cent.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
For all Money appropriated or issued to the Navy	0 0 8	
For all Monies appropriated or issued to the Land Forces, according to an Agreement made in the Year 1667, by the then Lord Treasurer, Lord General, and Chancellor of the Exchequer, by and with the Consent of the Officers of the Exchequer, attested by Sir <i>Stephen Fox</i> , one of the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury, by which Agreement, the Tellers Fees are lessened from 16 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> per Cent. to $\frac{1}{16}$ per pound ; which is 7 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> $\frac{1}{16}$ per Cent. ; which is their Share of the 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ <i>d.</i> per Pound, settled by the aforesaid Agreement, for all the Officers of the Exchequer, so that the Four Tellers, and their Clerks, Share amounts to	0 5 7 $\frac{3}{4}$	0 1 9 $\frac{1}{2}$

*Memorandum* :

*Memorandum:* That these Fees are deducted from the Soldiers, out of their Pay, and are not placed to the King's Account.

For all Monies arising by the said Aids and Supplies, which have been issued to other Uses than before-mentioned, the Four Tellers have anciently received Fees, according to the Heads of the Uses for which they were issued.

Table of  
Exchequer  
Fees.

A Particular of which Heads, with the ancient and legal Fee belonging to them, are as followeth; viz.

	To the Four Tellers, per Cent.			To their Clerks, per Cent.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
The Master of the Horse	0	10	0	0	2	6
The Keeper of the Privy Purse	0	3	0	0	1	0
The Master of the Wardrobe	0	1	6	0	0	6
The Master of the Robes	0	2	6	0	1	0
The King's Cofferer	0	0	8	0	0	4
The Treasurer of the Chamber	0	1	0	0	0	6
The Paymaster of the Works	0	0	0	0	0	6
The Lieutenant of the Tower, for Wages	0	1	0	0	0	6
The Lieutenant of the Tower, for Diet of Prisoners	1	0	0	0	10	0
The Lieutenant of the Ordnance	0	2	0	0	1	0
The Queen's Treasurer	0	3	4	0	1	8
The Prince's Cofferer	0	1	6	0	0	6
The Paymaster of the Band of Pensioners	0	1	4	0	0	4
The Warden of the Mint	0	2	0	0	0	6
The King's Goldsmith	0	2	0	0	0	6
The King's Jeweller	0	4	0	0	1	0
Gun-powder, and such-like Emptions	0	2	6	0	1	0
The Master of the Ceremonies	0	10	0	0	5	0
Farmers of Sea-coal, and Defalcations	0	1	6	Nil.		
Ambassadors, and Agents, on their Ordinary	0	10	0	0	5	0
On their Extraordinary	1	0	0	0	10	0
The Secretaries of State, for their Intelligence	0	10	0	0	5	0
The Knight Harbinger	0	10	0	0	5	0
Annuities, Rewards, Free-gifts, and such-like	2	10	0	0	10	0
For Money issued under the Title of secret Service, by which many Pensions, Free-gifts, &c. have been paid; but under this Head, the Services not being known, the Fees could not be reduced to a proper Head; and therefore, by Agreement, were abated to Half Fees	1	0	0	0	10	0
Repayment of Loans, and Interest	Nil.			Nil.		
The Judges and Barons	Nil.			Nil.		

#### Tally Cutter:

A Table or Schedule of the ancient and legal Fees allowed by the Lord Chief Baron, and Barons of the Coif, of the Court of Exchequer, to be demanded and taken by the Tally Cutter, in the Receipt of their Majesties Exchequer, for striking of Tallies for the receiving or issuing any of the Monies granted by an Act of Parliament, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to their Majesties, of the Sum of 1,651,702*l.* 18*s.* towards carrying on a vigorous War against *France*; or any other Act of this present Parliament, for Aids and Supplies to their Majesties.

	£.	s.	d.
For Tallies struck upon Customs, for every 1,000 <i>l.</i>	0	0	6
For Tallies upon Duties laid on Wine, Vinegar, Tobacco, <i>East India</i> Goods, and other Merchandizes, for every 1,000 <i>l.</i>	0	0	6
This is the Establishment taken <i>Anno</i> 1638.			
And it also appears, by a Table of Fees, writ at the Beginning of the Reign of Queen <i>Elizabeth</i> ,			
For Tallies struck upon Excise of Beer, Brandy, and other Liquors, for every 1,000 <i>l.</i>	0	0	6
Excise is the like great Revenue with Customs; and, for that Reason, the same Fee hath been paid ever since it was granted.			
For Tax Money upon Land, and for Polls for every Tally	0	0	4

*R. Atkins, Jo. Turton,  
N. Lechmere, John Powell.*

*Memorandum:* The aforesaid Report was only for the Aids granted *Anno* 1694: Therefore the following Officers received, after that time, the usual Fees which were taken before the said Report was made; viz.

The Auditor, for every Tally upon Land Taxes or Polls, be the same more or less	0	0	2
Clerk of the Pells, for the like	0	0	2
Tally Cutter, for the like	0	0	2

#### For issuing Money:

	Master.			Clerk.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
The Auditor. { The Master of the Robes	0	5	0	0	1	3
{ Wardrobe	0	2	0	0	0	6
{ Paymaster of the Works	0	2	0	Nil.		
Clerk of the Pells. Master of the Robes	0	4	0	Nil.		

There are divers other Services performed by the said Auditor, and Clerk of the Pells, likewise omitted in the aforesaid Account; viz. for Inrolments of Patents, making out Certificates for any body demanding them; making and ingrossing Imprest Accounts; for all Accountants to the King; which may, *communibus annis*, in each Office, amount to Thirty Pounds.

March 8th, 1700.

Ordered,

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Tythe of  
Lead-ore:

A Petition of divers Ministers of the County of *Derby* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners residing on their Benefices in that Part of *Derbyshire* where there are Lead-mines, have a just Right to a Tythe of Lead-ore gotten in their respective Parishes; which Right hath been tried and adjudged in all the Courts of Law and Equity, and confessed by the Body of Miners upon Oath: And the Petitioners Predecessors did, for many Ages past, until very lately, receive Tythes of Lead-ore, or Composition for it; and divers Noblemen, Gentlemen, and Clergymen, the Petitioners Neighbours, having the same general Right, do all of them, at this Day, receive the like Tythes; notwithstanding which, and the many Records the Petitioners can produce of their said Right, the said Miners joining in one common Purse, have, upon all Opportunities, . . . to promote Multitudes of chargeable and vexatious Suits against the Proprietors of this Tythe, sometimes taking Occasion, from the Death, Change, or Poverty, of the Incumbent, to with-hold the same from the Successor, whose Predecessor, at great Expence, had recovered the same, and by creating as many Suits as there are Parishes, Places, or Proprietors; by which, and such-like vexatious Methods, the Petitioners are kept out of their just Rights, and are not able to follow so many chargeable vexatious Suits: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for preventing Multiplicity of vexatious Suits; and

for settling and ascertaining the said customary Tythe, according to the Tenor, Equity, and Establishment of divers Decrees in Chancery, grounded on solemn Tryals at Common Law.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for preventing Multiplicity of vexatious Suits; and for settling and ascertaining the Tythes of Lead-ore in the County of *Derby*: And that the Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, Sir *John Cotton*, and Mr. *Dolben*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

*Ordered*, That the Affidavit which was taken at *Great Grimsby*, relating to the Evidence to be given at the Bar of this House, upon hearing of the Merits of the Election for the said Borough of *Great Grimsby*, be laid before this House.

Great  
Grimsby  
Election—  
Affidavit  
relating to  
the Evidence.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Preservation of the Protestant Religion; and for preventing the Translation of Bishops from one See to another: And that Sir *John Packington* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Preservation  
of Protestant  
Religion.

Colonel *Mordaunt*, according to Order, presented to the House an Abstract of all Monies received and paid by him, as Treasurer and Paymaster to the Office of his Majesty's Ordnance, between the 30th of June 1699, and the 24th of February 1700.

Ordnance  
Receipts and  
Payments.

And the Title thereof was read.

And the Account is as follows; viz.

An ACCOUNT of all Monies, &c. received and paid by the Honourable *Harry Mordaunt*, Esquire, Treasurer and Paymaster to the Office of his Majesty's Ordnance for Land and Sea Service, between the 30th of June 1699, and the 24th of February 1700: As also an ABSTRACT of the Debt of the said Office; what Tallies, &c. remain in the said Treasurer's Hands, and for what Uses.

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Ordered,

This Accountant,		Dr.		£.		s.		d.		Per Contra,		Cr.		£.		s.		d.			
To the Balance transferred from the precedent Treasurer } to this Account per Privy Seal, amounting to - }										-		-		-		-		-		-	
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*Ordered*, That the said Abstract do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Justices of Peace, &c.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, take into Consideration what has been done in pursuance of his Majesty's gracious Answer to the Address of this House, the last Session of Parliament, in relation to the Lieutenancy, and Justices of Peace.

Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House will, Two Days next Week, and Three Days every succeeding Week, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Irish Forfeitures.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, take into Consideration the Report from the Trustees for Sale of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Kidd's Piracies.

*Ordered*, That the several Papers mentioned in a Schedule, delivered in by the Commissioners of the Admiralty, to be delivered over to the Persons to whom they were directed, be laid before this House.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee. That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Mr. Conyers also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move the House, That a Scheme may be laid before the House, of what is proposed to be done for the better securing of those Places where his Majesty's Ships are laid up in the Winter; together with an Estimate of the Charge.

*Ordered*, That a Scheme be laid before this House, of what is proposed to be done for the better Securing of those Places where his Majesty's Ships are laid up in the Winter; together with an Estimate of the Charge.

*Ordered*, That the said Scheme, and Estimate, be laid before this House by the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*.

Mr. Conyers also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning next, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 10° die Martii;*

13° Willielmi; Anno 1700-1.

#### PRAYERS.

Dr. Hooper to preach on 4th April.

**ORDERED**, That Dr. Hooper, Dean of *Canterbury*, and Prolocutor of the Lower House of Convocation, be desired to preach before this House, at *St. Margaret's Westminster*, upon the 4th Day of April next, the Day appointed by his Majesty's Royal Proclamation for public Fasting and Humiliation: And that Sir *Edward Seymour*, Mr. *Dolben*, and Mr. *Taylor*, do acquaint him with the Desire of this House.

Servants Wages, &c.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the speedy Discovery and Suppression of Vagabonds; and the better regulating disorderly Servants; and for the more easy Recovery of Servants Wages: And that

the Lord *Cornbury* and Sir *John Phillips* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

*James Herbert*, Esquire, Treasurer, or Receiver General, to the Commissioners of Prizes, according to Order, presented to the House his Account of his Receipt and Payments:

And the Title thereof was read.

The Account is in a Book by itself.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

The House being informed, That one from the Clerk of the Crown, the Clerk of the Crown himself being very ill, attended, according to Order;

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House Lists of the Justices of Peace of the several Counties of *England* and *Wales*.

*Ordered*, That the said Lists do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

The said Lists are bound up, with other Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That the Hearing at the Bar To-morrow, touching the Charge against Mr. *Shepherd*, be adjourned until *Friday* Morning next: And that all Persons, who are ordered or summoned to attend this House To-morrow, do attend this House upon *Friday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Guy*, of *Grave's Inn*, do attend this House upon *Friday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Sambrooke*, Mayor of *Andover*, do attend this House upon *Friday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thomas Allen*, Clerk of the Innholders Company, do attend this House upon *Friday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That *Roger Mompesson* Esquire, do attend this House, in his Place, To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That To-morrow be one of the Days this Week, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty: And that the House do, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House accordingly.

A Message from the Lords, by Dr. *Newton* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for renewing the Bills of Credit, commonly called Exchequer Bills, without any Amendment.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Mr. Conyers, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Three hundred thousand Pounds, be granted to his Majesty, for maintaining Guards and Garisons for the Year 1701.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Sum, not exceeding Three hundred thousand Pounds, be granted to his Majesty, for maintaining Guards and Garisons for the Year 1701.

*Ordered*, That the principal Officers of the Ordnance do lay before this House, a Scheme of what is proposed to be done for the better securing those Places where his Majesty's Ships are laid up in Winter.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Report from the Trustees for Sale of the Forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

And

And the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.  
To the Honourable the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses,  
in Parliament assembled:

May it please your Honours,

1. We the Trustees, appointed for putting in Execution Part of an Act of Parliament made in the 11th and 12th Years of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to his Majesty, by Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and by a Land Tax in *England*, for the several Purposes therein mentioned, in Obedience to the last Clause of another Act, made the same Session, intituled, An Act for the appointing Commissioners, to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; do humbly lay before your Honours a summary Account of our Proceedings.

2. As soon as the Act was printed, we had several Meetings in *London*, to consider of the necessary Preliminaries for the due Execution of our Trust; and nominated such Officers as we thought fit to carry over with us: And because the Act required many Things, under several Penalties, to be done and performed at or before certain Days therein prefixed, that all Persons might have due Notice thereof, we drew up a Memorial, containing an Abstract of the several Clauses thereunto relating; and presented the same to the Right Honourable the Earl of *Jersey*, then Principal Secretary of State; by whose means we procured a Proclamation to be issued by the Lords Justices here, for that Purpose.

3. Having made this Entrance on our Business, we agreed to meet in *Dublin* with all possible Expedition; which we did on the First of June, and qualified ourselves by taking the Oaths appointed by the Act.

4. This done, we immediately gave Notice, in Print, of the Time limited for receiving Claims; and to all Tenants and Occupiers of any of the forfeited Estates, to deliver in true Particulars of the Quantity, Quality, and real Value, thereof, pursuant to the Act; and required the Sheriffs of this Kingdom to publish the same throughout their several Counties: We gave our constant Attendance to the last Hour of the Time limited by the Act, and received every Claim that was tendered; the Whole amounting to Three thousand Ninety and Two.

5. Such of the Tenants and Occupiers of the said Estates, as delivered in their own Particulars, were sworn to the true Quantity, Quality, and real Value, of the Lands and Tenements by them severally possessed, in order to set the same to the best Advantage: Most of the Tenants, who lived in the remote Counties, we rather think out of Ignorance than Willfulness, have not herein complied with the Act; and many others sent them up by Post, or Persons that knew nothing of the Values, and so could not be sworn to any Purpose: Upon which, we generally continued the Tenants in Possession on Account without any Agreement; but to pay such Rent, as, upon Inquiry, the Lands should appear to be worth: Thereupon we appointed Receivers throughout the several Counties in this Kingdom; and gave them Instructions in Writing, to inquire into, and return up, the true Values of all the said Estates in their several and respective Districts, and under what Rents, Covenants, and Contracts, they are held and enjoyed; and, with our Approbation, to lett, and set the same; and to take Security from the Tenants for their true answering and paying their Rents: We have printed, and supplied the Receivers with all necessary Forms and Particulars, and Bonds for the Purposes aforesaid; and have taken Security from them, for the faithful Discharge of their Trust.

6. To make a better Estimate of the Quantity and Value of the Lands, we have appointed Surveyors in the several Parts of the Kingdom: And have already had so good an Effect of their Endeavours, that we promise ourselves this Service will abundantly recompense the Expence of it: And if the Surveyors were impowered to administer an Oath, for the better ascertaining the Meers and Bounds, it would save a great Expence to the

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Country People, who must otherwise be frequently summoned up to *Dublin*, to be examined; and be a great Satisfaction to the Purchasers.

7. By these methods, we humbly conceive, we shall come to the Knowledge of the Value of the Lands: But, by Reason of the great Rains that have fallen here this Winter, the Survey has been much delayed; and the Districts of the Receivers are so large, and their Instructions so particular, that we cannot, as yet, expect from them such an Account as we may rely upon, and consequently fit to be laid before your Honours: But, according to our best Observation, the Lands per Acre, will answer the Return of the last Commissioners: But the Claims upon them are so many, a great Part of which could not appear upon the former Inquiry, that we can make no probable Estimate what will be the net Produce.

8. The Claims on the private Estate are already heard, and we believe will answer in the Sale the Valuation in the last Report: though a great Part of the Lands in the Duke of *York's* Grant was never in his Possession.

9. Notwithstanding all our Care, we doubt, we shall not be able to raise the Rents, during our time, to the full Value: Most of the private Estate is in Lease to May next, at small Rents, and some Part of it longer: A great Part of the forfeited Estates is under beneficial Leases: A great deal more is either under Extents or Creditors, or in Possession of Mortgagees; some, of Persons who claim it as their own Inheritance; and a considerable Quantity is held in Dower and Jointure. Most of these we have continued in Possession, upon giving Security to answer the mesne Profits, in case their Claims should be dismissed: Besides this, we found it difficult to prevail with the Tenants, who had taken Leases from the Grantees, to advance their Rents: Most of them, being Protestants, and having made Improvements on their Lands, deserved all the Compassion we could justify: And further, we were afraid, That, if we used any Extremities, we should drive them off the Lands, and give ill Impressions to the rest of the Tenants, who were under great Apprehensions at our first coming over; the Consequence of which might be, to leave the Lands waste; it being impossible to get Tenants to remove their Stock and Families upon so short a Lease as our Time: So that we were obliged to continue the present Tenants in Possession, and raise them as high as we could: Therefore, we humbly conceive, we ought to make no Estimate of the Valuation of the Lands from the present Rents; and yet we hope they will answer more than double the whole Expence of our Commission, which, in Salaries, Survey, and Incidents of all kinds, we compute at near about 40,000 *l.* per Annum.

10. We set no Value upon the forfeitable Estates, having received Information, That Thirty-two Persons, active in the late Rebellion, and of a long time past, and now, resident in *France*, that were possessed of Estates in this Kingdom, who were lately indicted in the City of *Dublin*, upon the Statute of foreign Treason; and a Grand Jury, of as equal and indifferent Men as could be found, were impanelled; and though the Evidence against most of them, as appeared by the Examination laid before us, was clear and positive, yet they were all acquitted.

11. We have heard and determined all the Demands of the several Purchasers of Inheritance, from the Grantees, to the 21,000 *l.* allowed by the Act before the 10th of August last; and have directed Certificates to be given out of each Man's Share and Proportion, pursuant to the Act: A List containing the Names of the several Purchasers; the Sums by them respectively proved paid; the Grantees from whom each Purchase was made; with the particular Sum or Share of the 21,000 *l.* each Purchaser is intitled to, is hereunto annexed.

12. On the 20th of July we gave publick Notice, That we would sit on the 15th of August, to hear and determine Claims in the Order they were entered; and that all Claims should be posted Fifteen Days before the Hearing: And in this Method we continued, till we could get all the Claims abstracted: Then, for the greater Ease of

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of the Country, and Expedition of our Business, we did, on the 9th of December last, further publish, That we would from the 7th Day of January, hear and determine all Claims on the same Estate together; beginning with the private Estate: By which means we shall dispatch more Claims in less time; they depending much on the same Title, and frequently the same Deeds and Witnesses; And as we clear Estates, we may thereby put them into a Method of Sale: We have and do sit Four Days every Week on hearing Claims; the Multiplicity of other Business being more than sufficient for the other Two Days: There has been posted already 1,133 Claims, about 800 whereof are heard and determined, many of which we found to contain several distinct Claims on different Titles and Estates: Those posted, and not heard, are postponed for want of Prosecution, or at the Claimant's Request: So that it will be impossible, with our utmost Industry and Application, to determine all the Claims within the Time limited.

13. Several of the Grantees of Debts have not complied with the Act, in paying the Monies by them received into the Exchequer, on or before the 24th Day of August; whereby they have forfeited double the Value.

14. Several other Grantees have neither paid the Rent-charges, or other Rents, issuing out of the Estates granted, nor the Interest of Mortgages, or other Securities, affecting the same, pursuant to the said Act, on or before the First of November; by which means, the Debts are increased to double the Money lent, and lie as an heavy Charge on the Lands, every Day giving fresh Instances of this kind: We therefore think it our Duty, humbly to lay this Matter before your Honours, for your Directions herein.

15. The Number of Discoveries already lodged amount to 600; but we are not able to make any Conjecture how valuable they are, not having time to hear them till after the 25th of March.

16. We have made Inquiry into the Wastes committed on the forfeited Woods in this Kingdom; which we find very considerable: The Trespassers, that are able, we shall punish; but most of the Destruction has been by the ordinary People of the Country, who are unable to make Satisfaction, or so much as answer the Expence of our Witnesses.

17. Great Arrears of Rent out of the forfeited Estates and Interests not granted, have incurred since the 13th of February 1688; and before the 2d of November 1699; which are neither paid to his Majesty, nor are we intitled to demand them; and which will never be discovered, unless invested in us, with due Encouragement to such as shall discover and pay them.

18. We hope it will not be thought presuming, if we humbly represent to your Honours some Instances, wherein, we conceive, we are not impowered to execute our Trust to the best Advantage of the Publick: By the present Provision of the Act, all Arrears of Rent due from the 2d of November, or which shall hereafter become due; all Penalties, Fines, and Forfeitures; all Debts due to forfeiting Persons; and all Bonds entered into for Security; are to be sued for in the Name of the King's Attorney General: We apprehend, many Debts of this kind may become due near the Expiration of our Commission, when there will not be time left us to recover them: Besides, we do humbly acquaint your Honours, That so many of the People of this Kingdom are so interested in the Forfeitures, that we have not hitherto thought it advisable to submit any thing to their Determination: We therefore do, with all Submission, lay it before your Honours, whether the Placing the last Result and Determination of these Matters in the Trust be not for the publick Service.

19. There is one other Part of the Act, which though we apprehend may not want Explanation; yet because we find an Opinion industriously spread here, which may tend to the Discouragement of Purchasers, we think it our Duty to mention it to your Honours: The Construction put upon the Vesting Clause, Fol. 8. is, That nothing

is vested in us, but what the forfeiting Person had; so that he that has any Demand to, or out of, any of the said forfeited or other Estates or Interests, expects to be at Liberty, when our Commission is ended, to prosecute that Demand in the Courts here, though they have entered no Claim: Which Construction, we humbly conceive, may make the Claiming Clause of little Use: And, lest it should, in some Measure, frustrate the Ends of the Act, we lay it before your Honours; and submit it to your Consideration, how far the Validity of our Sales in general shall be left to be controverted any where, under any Pretence whatsoever.

20. We conceive also, that our not having Power, by the Act, to punish the Contrivers, Aiders, and Abettors, of false Claims, as well as the Claimants themselves, has been an Encouragement to Persons of Interest and Wealth, to procure Claims to be entered in the Names of insolvent People; whereby the Intention of the Act is defeated.

21. We do, further, humbly crave Leave to represent to your Honours, That if some Provision was made for enabling the Persons, having the Remainders, after the forfeited Estates for Lives, to mortgage their Interests, for the purchasing such Estates for Lives, they would become the best Purchasers; and that, in case such Persons, so in Remainder, were restrained from barring the forfeited Reversions vested in us, that the said Reversions would be more valuable than now they are; by reason of some Opinions prevailing here, that such Reversions may be barred by common Recoveries: And that if we had Power to accept and take Assignments, or Discharges of Incumbrances, claimed and allowed, as so much Monies for the Purchase of other Lands, most of the Persons having such Incumbrances would be the fairest Purchasers; which may increase the Number of Bidders, lessen the Burden of Interest, and expedite the Sales.

22. We were of Opinion, That the Quit and Crown Rents, issuing out of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests, vested in us, were, by Unity of Possession in his Majesty, extinguished; and that, in our Hands, they were not liable to such Rents, by the Words and plain Construction of the Act, that they shall be sold discharged of all Arrears: But the Commissioners of his Majesty's Revenue being advised, that the said Estates were chargeable with Quit and Crown Rents, during their Continuance in our Hands; we were willing, and did, for the Ease and Quiet of the Tenants, permit them to collect the said Rents in the usual Manner, and deposit them in the Exchequer: We do therefore most humbly represent this Matter to your Honours, for further Directions, whether these Rents shall be applied towards the Discharge of the publick Expence of this Kingdom, or go in Ease of the Subjects of *England*; and be applied, as Part of the Fund allotted by the said Act, to the Uses therein mentioned; such Rent amounting to about 5,000 *l.* per Annum.

23. We think it incumbent on us to lay some few Cases before your Honours, as Objects of Compassion; and wherein the Provisions of the Act are, as we conceive, short of your Intentions.

24. The Lady Baroness Dowager of *Upper-Ossory* did claim the Benefit of a Clause in the Act, for confirming a Grant from his Majesty, of a Maintenance to her, out of her late Husband's Estate, not exceeding 80 *l.* per Annum; And there being no Grant; but only a Letter from his Majesty, in order to a Grant; we humbly conceive, she is not so within the Letter of the Act, as to have an Allowance of her Claim: We have continued her in Possession, and chose rather to represent her Case, than disallow her Claim.

25. Captain *James Roch* is under the same Circumstance; only with this Difference, That, since the Act, his Grant is passed the Seals; and, as we humbly conceive, may want Confirmation.

26. The Grant of *Francis de la Rue*, made upon the most valueable Consideration, and intended to be 400 *l.* per Annum, by reason of the Adjudication of some Persons within Articles, whose Estates were comprised in his Grant,

Grant, and by the Loss of a Diminicle, or original Minutes, which warrants the making up the Inquisition of some other forfeited Lands in the County of *Galway* within his Grant, he is like to be defeated of the greatest Part of his Majesty's gracious Intentions towards him.

27. We humbly crave Leave to acquaint your Honours, That Colonel *Thomas Dungan*, commonly called Lord *Lymerick*, did not enter any Claim to his Brother's Estate within the time limited; whereby he is intitled to the 8,000*l.* given him by the Act: And that he hath since offered to produce a Settlement, and to relinquish his Interest in the 8,000*l.* if he might be admitted to claim, of which we could take no Cognizance: And here we ought to take Notice, That all the Claims on the said Estate are heard and determined, and that the Grantee thereof hath sold to several Purchasers, to the Value of 8,113*l.*; one Third-part whereof is charged, by Act of Parliament, as a Debt on the said Estate.

28. There is a great Estate forfeited for Life, by the Attainder of *John Bourk*, late Lord *Bophin*; whose Wife and Nine Children have no Subsistence during the Father's Life: If some Provision were made before the Sale of the Estate, to enable them to treat with us for the Disposal of their reversionary Interest for Lands in Possession, it might be a present Relief to the Family, and an Advantage to the Sales: All which is humbly submitted to your Honours Commiseration.

29. We presume humbly to lay before your Honours one further Object of Compassion: There are about 150

Families of *English* and *French* Protestants planted on the Lands of *Portarlinton*, the Forfeiture of the late Sir *Patrick Trant*; who have laid out their whole Substance in purchasing small Leases now in being: Which Lands were Part of the Grant of the Right Honourable the Earl of *Galway*; who hath thereon erected and founded an *English* and *French* Church, and School; and endowed them with Pensions, amounting to near 100*l.* per Annum, which have been constantly paid till the said Lands were vested in us.

30. Having, according to our Duty, laid before your Honours the best Account we can at present give of our Proceedings; we most humbly beseech your favourable Interpretation of them: We are not insensible, That in so large a Trust, ungrateful to so many, that there may be some Misrepresentations of our Actions; which we hope will make no Impression upon your Honours, till we have an Opportunity to vindicate ourselves: And we doubt not, but we shall so justify our Endeavours for the publick Service as to deserve your Protection: And we crave Leave further to assure you, That as we esteem the great Trust reposed in us to be the highest Honour that can be conferred; so we shall spare no Pains or Industry in the faithful Execution of it.

*Cyrill Wich* ○, *John Isham* ○, *H. Shere* ○, *John Trenchard* ○, *J. Baggs* ○, *Hen. Langford* ○, *James Hooper* ○, *T. Harrison* ○, *John Cary* ○, *Wm. Fellowes* ○, *Fr. Annesley* ○, *Tho. Raulins* ○.

Dublin, 15th February 1700-1.

A List of the several Purchasers of Inheritance under the Grantees of forfeited Estates, and their respective Proportions of the One-and-twenty thousand Pounds allowed them by Act of Parliament made in *England*, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to his Majesty, by Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and by a Land Tax in *England*, for the several Purposes therein mentioned.

Purchase Money.	Purchasers.	Proportion of the 21,000 <i>l.</i>
<i>£. s. d.</i>	From the Earl of <i>Albemarle</i> .	<i>£. s. d.</i>
300 0 0	<i>Mark Baggott</i> Esquire - - - - -	105 17 6½
2,500 0 0	<i>Francis Burton, James M'Donnell, and Nicholas Westby</i> , Esquires -	882 6 5½
3,000 0 0	<i>William Connelly</i> Esquire - - - - -	1,058 5 9
900 0 0	<i>Walter Delamer</i> - - - - -	317 12 8½
733 6 8	<i>Sir Thomas Domoile</i> Baronet - - - - -	258 16 3½
80 0 0	<i>Nehemiah Donnelan</i> Esquire - - - - -	28 4 8½
45 0 0	<i>John Forster</i> Esquire - - - - -	15 17 7½
600 0 0	<i>John Kent</i> Esquire - - - - -	211 15 1½
1,000 0 0	<i>Sir Richard Leving</i> Knight - - - - -	352 18 7
2,000 0 0	<i>Robert Pakenham</i> Esquire - - - - -	705 17 2
1,250 0 0	<i>Edward Riley</i> Esquire - - - - -	441 3 2½
400 0 0	<i>Wm. Robinson</i> Esquire - - - - -	141 3 5
90 0 0	<i>Wm. Smith</i> Esquire - - - - -	31 15 3½
1,500 0 0	<i>Edmund Stafford</i> Esquire - - - - -	529 7 10½
1,750 0 0	<i>John French Deane</i> - - - - -	617 12 6
582 6 8	<i>Frederick French</i> Esquire - - - - -	205 17 6½
	From the Earl of <i>Abercorn</i> .	
133 18 0	<i>James Hamilton</i> Merchant - - - - -	47 5 1½
328 3 10	<i>Robert King</i> Gentleman - - - - -	115 16 6½
100 0 0	<i>Thomas Maxwell</i> Merchant - - - - -	35 5 10½
	From the Earl of <i>Athlone</i> .	
257 0 0	<i>Timothy Armitage</i> Esquire - - - - -	90 14 1
1,197 13 0	<i>Rich. Bamber</i> Merchant - - - - -	422 13 8½
600 0 0	<i>Robert Bray</i> Gentleman - - - - -	211 15 1½
423 0 0	<i>Robert Brown</i> Gentleman - - - - -	149 5 9½
540 0 0	<i>Wm. Burgh</i> Esquire - - - - -	190 11 7½
615 0 0	<i>Charles Campbell</i> - - - - -	217 1 0½
1,560 0 0	<i>Nehemiah Donnelan</i> Esquire - - - - -	550 11 4½
2,000 0 0	<i>Samuel Dopping</i> Esquire - - - - -	705 17 2
106 0 0	<i>Norman Gustin</i> Gentleman - - - - -	37 8 2½
1,486 10 0	<i>John Graham</i> Alderman - - - - -	524 12 7
221 0 0	<i>Bryan Guning</i> Gentleman - - - - -	77 19 11½
68 10 0	<i>Edward Leidger</i> - - - - -	24 3 6
55 0 0	<i>John Leigh</i> Esquire - - - - -	19 8 2½
318 0 0	<i>Arthur Meredith</i> Esquire - - - - -	112 4 7½
140 0 0	<i>Cha. Meredith</i> Esquire - - - - -	49 8 2½
1,000 0 0	<i>Doctor Tho. Molyneux</i> - - - - -	352 18 7
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Proportion of the  
21,000*l.*

<i>£.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>		<i>£.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
121	0	0	<i>Wm. Newstead Esquire</i>	42	14	1
452	0	0	<i>Henry Ogle Alderman</i>	159	10	5½
65	0	0	<i>Tho. Park Gentleman</i>	22	18	9½
330	0	0	<i>Peter Partington Gentleman</i>	116	9	4
140	0	0	<i>Abel Ram Esquire</i>	49	8	2½
20	0	0	<i>Jeremiah Roscoe Gentleman</i>	7	1	2
300	0	0	<i>Anderson Saunders Esquire</i>	105	17	6½
870	0	0	<i>Richard Shinton Gentleman</i>	307	0	11½
1,470	0	0	<i>Edward Singleton Alderman</i>	518	16	1½
208	0	0	<i>Robert Smith Esquire</i>	73	8	2½
425	0	0	<i>Wm. Southby Esquire</i>	149	19	10½
420	0	0	<i>Laurence Steel Esquire</i>	148	4	7½
352	13	0	<i>Nic. Toller Gentleman</i>	124	9	2½
80	0	0	<i>Tho. Twigg Esquire</i>	28	4	8½
900	0	0	<i>Barth. Vanhomugh Esquire</i>	317	12	8½
550	9	0	<i>Henry Westnea Esquire</i>	194	2	2½
105	0	0	<i>Richard Wilding Merchant</i>	37	1	1½
88	6	0	<i>Robert Willson Gentleman</i>	31	3	3½
			From Colonel <i>Hen. Lutterell.</i>			
730	0	0	<i>Robert Molesworth Esquire</i>	257	12	9
			From <i>O Malan and M'Veagh.</i>			
70	0	0	<i>William French Esquire</i>	24	14	1½
			From the Earl of <i>Romney.</i>			
200	0	0	<i>Captain John Bayly</i>	70	11	8½
346	0	0	<i>James Barry Esquire</i>	122	2	3½
158	13	7½	<i>Captain Tho. Bellew</i>	56	0	0½
273	14	1	<i>Francis Bernard Esquire</i>	96	11	11½
168	0	0	<i>Peter Bedsworth Gentleman</i>	59	5	10
238	12	0	<i>Allan Broderick Esquire</i>	84	4	2
478	2	5	<i>Richard Burgh Clerk</i>	168	14	10½
2,000	0	0	<i>Benj. Burton Alderman</i>	705	17	2
2,935	0	0	<i>Tho. Carter Esquire</i>	1,035	16	11
57	7	8	<i>Wm. Chaunders Gentleman</i>	20	5	0½
410	6	4	<i>Benj. Chetwood Esquire</i>	144	16	3
616	0	0	<i>Daniel Connor Merchant</i>	217	8	1
348	10	0	<i>John Cook Esquire</i>	122	19	11
1,623	19	0	<i>Sir John Dillon</i>	573	2	9½
1,444	0	0	<i>Abraham Dixon Gentleman</i>	509	12	7
174	16	0	<i>Lanc. Dowdall Esquire</i>	61	13	10
342	3	4½	<i>Sir Cha. Fielding</i>	120	15	2½
1,469	14	6	<i>Edw. Ford Esquire</i>	518	14	2
105	10	4	<i>Daniel Forrest Esquire</i>	37	4	9½
1,031	1	6	<i>Colonel Peircy Freak</i>	363	17	11
144	12	9	<i>Edm. Graham Gentleman</i>	51	11	0½
14	0	0	<i>Otwell Hayes</i>	4	18	9½
16	6	8	<i>Edw. Hoare Alderman</i>	5	15	3½
128	4	2	<i>Lewis Jones Gentleman</i>	45	4	11½
316	6	4	<i>James Kierman Gentleman</i>	111	11	8½
459	13	0	<i>David Low</i>	162	4	5½
291	9	0	<i>Sir John Mead Knight</i>	102	17	2½
142	4	8	<i>Cha. Meredith Esquire</i>	50	3	11½
429	3	4	<i>Joshua Mitchell</i>	151	9	3½
95	0	0	<i>Abraham Morris Gentleman</i>	33	10	6½
921	7	6	<i>John Newenham Gentleman</i>	325	3	7
394	13	2	<i>John Pacy Gentleman</i>	139	5	8½
768	0	0	<i>Wm. Palmer Esquire</i>	271	0	11½
34	0	0	<i>Thomas Pembroke</i>	11	19	11½
426	2	0	<i>Captain Steph. Piper</i>	150	7	8
317	18	10	<i>Sir Rich. Pyne Knight</i>	112	4	2½
128	16	0	<i>Robert Pooley Esquire, in Trust for Lady Hull</i>	45	9	1½
2,382	0	5½	<i>Major Edm. Riggs</i>	840	13	8½
272	0	0	<i>William Smith Gentleman</i>	95	11	11½
300	0	0	<i>Laurence Steel Esquire</i>	105	17	6½
839	15	4	<i>John Wade Esquire</i>	296	7	6½
177	6	8	<i>William Wakeham Esquire</i>	62	11	8½
315	6	8	<i>James Walsh Esquire</i>	111	5	9½
188	0	3	<i>Wallis Warren Gentleman</i>	66	7	1½
			Totals of this Account.			
16,731	13	4	<i>Earl of Albemarle</i>	5,905	1	9½
17,484	12	0	<i>Earl of Athlone</i>	6,170	16	4½
362	1	10	<i>Earl of Abercorne</i>	198	7	6½
730	0	0	<i>Colonel Henry Lutterell</i>	257	12	9

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Purchase-money.			Purchasers.										Proportion of the 21,000 <i>l</i> .		
<i>£</i> .	<i>s</i> .	<i>d</i> .											<i>£</i> .	<i>s</i> .	<i>d</i> .
70	0	0	<i>O Malan and M<sup>c</sup>Veagh</i> - - - - -										24	14	1½
23,923	14	7½	<i>Earl of Romney</i> - - - - -										8,443	7	5½
59,502	1	9½											21,000	0	0

*Ordered*, That Two of the said Trustees do forthwith attend this House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Annesley*, who brought over the said Report, be discharged from his farther Attendance.

St. Albans' Election.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared, touching the Election for the Borough of *St. Albans*, in the County of *Hertford*; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the Petition of *John Gape* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of *Joshua Lomax* Esquire, to serve for the Borough of *St. Albans*:

That the First Question, between the Petitioner and Sitting Member, was, the Right of Election; the Petitioner insisting, That the Right of Election was in the Mayor, Aldermen, Freemen, and such Housholders only as paid Scot and Lot; the Sitting Member insisting, That the Right of Election was in the Mayor, Aldermen, Freemen, and all Housholders, whether they paid Scot and Lot, or no.

And thereupon the Committee proceeded to examine several Witnesses.

The First Witness examined to that Point was,

Mr. *Edmund Aylworth*, the Town Clerk: Who said, That he had lived in *St. Albans* about Thirty Years, and had known the several Elections for Twenty Years: He said, He believed that those who did not pay Scot and Lot had, during that time, voted; but the Reason was, That they were so tumultuous, that there was no opposing them, and they had always been marked with a *Quære*: But the same had never been contested, because of the great Majority of one Side: However, he acknowledged, That Freemen had a Right to vote, whether they paid Scot and Lot, or no.

That, to maintain the Right of the Housholders at large, several Witnesses were produced on behalf of the Sitting Member; viz.

*John Tisdale*: Who had known *St. Albans* above Fifty Years.

*John Lee*: Who had known *St. Albans* Forty Years.

*John Howard*: Who had known *St. Albans* Sixty Years, and had been at several Elections: Who testified, That not only those who did pay Scot and Lot, but those that received Alms, have all along, to their Knowledge, voted without any Exception: But Mr. *Lee* said, They had been excepted to.

That the Counsel for the Petitioner did not think fit to call any other Witnesses, as to the Matter of Fact; but insisted upon it, That, by the Law of the Land, and in reason, those that did not contribute to the Charge of the Borough ought not to elect Representatives in Parliament for the same.

Whereupon the Committee came to this Resolution;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Right of electing Burgesses to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *St. Albans*, is in the Mayor, Aldermen, and Freemen, and such Housholders only as pay Scot and Lot.

That the Committee having come to this Resolution, the Sitting Member's Counsel yielded the Majority to be with the Petitioner; but insisted, That, by Bribes and Treats he had procured the Majority; and was thereby rendered unqualified to sit in the House: And thereupon, they called several Witnesses; viz.

*John Beeson*, *Jos. Eaton*, *Nath. Tibbs*, *Tho. Chandler*:

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The Substance of whose Evidence was, That *Beeson*, *Eaton*, and *Tibbs* were at *Chandler's* House the Monday before the Election, the Election being on Wednesday then following, and there were Mr. *Thomas Gape*, the Petitioner's Brother, and *John Bernard*, who desired their Votes for the Petitioner: That *Beeson* had 5*s*. given him by Mr. *Tho. Gape*: That *Eaton*, on condition he would vote for the Petitioner, was promised, That my Lord should give him what he should desire in Reason: That *Tibbs* had Two Sixpences of Mr. *Gape*: That they staid at *Chandler's* till next Morning; and that Mr. *Gape* and Mr. *Bernard* paid the Reckoning, which came to Eight or Nine Shillings: However, they voted for Mr. *Lomax*: At the same time *Chandler* acknowledged, That, about a Week before the Election, he had drawn Drink to the Value of Forty Shillings, at twice, for Mr. *Tho. Lomax*, the Sitting Member's Brother, who was a Candidate at the said Election: That he did not know, That Mr. *Tho. Lomax* made an Interest for his Brother; but said, That *Beeson*, *Eaton*, and *Tibbs*, and others, drank of it; of whom some voted for one Party, and some for another.

*Mary Bouton*, *Thomas Lee*, testified, That Mr. *Fothergill*, Mr. *Gape's* Nephew, made an Interest for Mr. *Gape*; and that Mr. *Fothergill* told the said *Mary Bouton*, That, if her Husband would vote for Mr. *Gape*, he would deliver up an old Lease of a House which her Husband's Father had bought of one *Pooley*: However, her Husband voted for both the *Lomax's*.

*Thomas Somerfield* said, That, the Night before the Election, Mr. *Gape's* Nephew, Mr. *Marson*, came to his House, and asked him, Who he was for? That he answered, He was for Mr. *Lomax*; but the said *Marson* replied, He had better poll for his Uncle, and then demanded a Guinea for a Gun, that the said *Somerfield* had of Mr. *Marson's*: But withal, told him, That if he would not poll at all, he, the said *Marson*, would have nothing for it: That accordingly he did not poll; and he met Mr. *Marson* afterwards; who told him, he was very well satisfied.

*Mary Springatt* said, Mr. *Fothergill* came to her House and told her, if her Husband would vote for Mr. *Gape*, her Husband should have as great a Share of *Gawen's* Charity as any: And accordingly, he did vote for Mr. *Joshua Lomax* and Mr. *Gape*, but had not voted for Mr. *Gape* but for that Promise: She acknowledged her Husband had received nothing, and did not pay Scot and Lot.

*Jos. Packer* said, That Mr. *Fothergill* spake to him to be for Mr. *Gape*; and that he received 10*s*. Charity Money given to the Town; which he did, as he guessed, receive upon the Account of his Vote: That he did vote for Mr. *Gape* and Mr. *Lomax*; but he acknowledged, That he did not pay Scot and Lot, nor was free of *St. Albans*.

*Anne Harrop* said, That she was, about a Week before the Election, with Mr. *Gape*, for some Part of the Charity Money: That Mr. *Gape's* Son told her, there was some left in the Mayor's Hands; and asked her Husband's Vote for Mr. *Gape*; to which she replied, she did not know but her Husband might vote for him: And thereupon, he went and told his Father, who sent her Half a Crown by his Son; and afterwards, he sent his Son to her not to speak of it; for there was no more left: And the said *Harrop* said, That one *Townsend's* Wife had it at the same time: And *Townsend's* Wife, being called in, confirmed the same: But it appeared, That *Harrop's* Husband was admitted to live in the Parish by Certificate; and that *Townsend* did not pay Scot and Lot.

*Henry Beech* said, That he went to *Richard Martin*; and told him he would vote for Mr. *Gape*, if he could pick

pick up 20 s. and *Martin* said, His Business should be done: And that old *Mr. Gape* asked his Voice for his Son; and said, If he would give his Son a Voice, he should have Part of the Charity Money: And, accordingly he ordered him 10 s. which he received of the said *Martin*; and afterwards told him, That *Mr. Lomax* could do him no Kindness, but we can: But he acknowledged he did not pay to Scot and Lot.

*Wm. Butler* was examined: Who said little more, than that the Earl of *Marlborough* was present at the Election; but he did not observe, that he meddled in it.

For the Petitioner, it was insisted, That there was very irregular and indirect Practices, on the other Side: And called,

*Mr. John Fothergill*, a Clergyman: Who said, That the Mob were so rude, they were ready to pull off his Gown, and insulted him in the Streets, when he went to speak on the behalf of *Mr. Gape*: That *Mr. Gape's* Friends, upon the Scrutiny, proved Twelve who voted for *Mr. Lomax* to have no Right; but the Mayor said, Those Things ought to be tried above: That the Mob threatened the Mayor in case he returned *Mr. Gape*; and put up these Verses on his House:

"If you return *Lomax*, we'll be still as a Mouse:

"If you return *Gape*, then down comes your House.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Joshua Lomax* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *St. Albans*, in the County of *Hertford*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *John Gape* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *St. Albans*.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Declared*, That the said Election for the said Borough of *St. Albans* is a void Election.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Speaker* do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *St. Albans*, in the County of *Hertford*, in the room of *Joshua Lomax* Esquire, whose Election is declared to be void.

Limitation  
and Succession  
of the  
Crown.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of that Part of his Majesty's Speech, which relates to the Succession.

*Mr. Speaker* left the Chair.

*Mr. Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair.

*Mr. Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of that Part of his Majesty's gracious Speech, which relates to the Succession.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 11° die Martii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1700-1.

#### PRAYERS.

A BILL for vesting the Estate of *Sir John Bowyer* Baronet in Trustees, to enable him to make a Settlement, in order to his Marriage, was read a Second time.

Bowyer's  
Marriage  
Settlement.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Lord *Wm. Powlett*, *Sir Edward Norreys*, *Sir John Mordant*, *Sir John Leveson Gower*, *Sir Chr. Hales*, *Sir Hen. Goff*, *Mr. Freeman*, *Mr. Dyet*, *Mr. Chetwyn*, *Mr. Rowney*, *Mr. Weston*, *Mr. Calthrop*, *Mr. Stonehouse*, *Sir Fra. Massam*, *Sir Wm. Ashurst*, *Mr. Townsend*, *Mr. Birch*, *Mr. Stringer*, *Sir Rowland Gwyn*, *Mr. Gorge*, *Mr. Freke*, *Mr. Dolben*, *Mr. Gwyn*, *Mr. Mounsteven*, *Mr. Greville*, *Mr. Clayton*, *Mr. Freeman*, *Sir Tho. Wagstaffe*, *Mr. Verney*, *Mr. Scobell*, *Sir Robert Jenkinson*, *Mr. Taylor*, *Mr. Chandler*, *Mr. Blofield*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Stafford* and *Warwick*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Bill for the more speedy Payment of the Debts of *Kelliow's* *Christopher Kelliow* Esquire; and for the raising Portions, and Maintenance, for his Brothers and Sisters, in pursuance of his Father's Will, was read a Second time.

Kelliow's  
Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Mr. Scobell*, *Mr. Freeman*, *Mr. Mounsteven*, *Sir Godfrey Copley*, *Mr. Conyers*, *Mr. Courtney*, *Mr. Dolben*, *Mr. Gulston*, *Sir John Leveson Gower*, *Mr. Prideaux*, *Sir Hump. Mackworth*, *Mr. Williams*, *Sir Tho. Cook*, *Sir Wm. Coriton*, *Mr. Hamond*, *Mr. Clark*, *Sir William Hustler*, *Lord Wm. Powlett*, *Mr. Pitfield*, *Mr. Gwynn*, *Mr. Henley*, *Sir Rushout Cullen*, *Mr. Yates*, *Mr. Boscawen*; and all the Members that serve for the Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Charles Bertie* Esquire, according to Order, presented to the House an Account, as he was late Treasurer and Paymaster of the Office of his Majesty's Ordnance, of all Monies by him received, paid, and transferred, for his Majesty's Service, in the said Office, by Land and Sea, between the 5th of November 1688, and the 30th of June 1699.

Navy Treas-  
urer's Ac-  
count.

And the Title thereof was read:

And the Account is as follows; viz.

AN ACCOUNT of the Honourable Charles Bertie Esquire, late Treasurer and Paymaster to the Office of his Majesty's Ordnance, of all Monies by him received and paid, for his Majesty's Service in the said Office, by Land and Sea, from the 5th of November 1688, to the 30th of June 1699; and so annually continued to the 30th of June 1699, being the Time of his Removal from the said Office.

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ACCOUNTANT, Dr.	Land Service.		Sea Service.		Total of both.		PER CONTRA, Cr.	Land Service.		Sea Service.		Total of both.	
	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.		£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.
To Money remaining in Cash the 5th November 1688 - -	2,000	0 0	1,925	8 1½	3,925	8 1½	From the 5th of November 1688, to the 30th June 1689 - -	46,337	0 4	27,168	9 0	73,505	9 4
From the 5th of November 1688, to the 30th June 1689 - -	51,960	15 7	25,980	7 0	77,941	2 7	From the 30th June 1689, to the 30th of June 1690 - -	136,000	0 0	100,562	7 10½	236,562	7 10½
From the 30th June 1689, to the 30th of June 1690 - -	193,884	9 2½	108,443	2 7½	302,327	11 9½	From the 30th June 1690, to the 30th of June 1691 - -	200,000	0 0	160,417	3 1½	360,417	3 1½
From the 30th June 1690, to the 30th of June 1691 - -	134,910	12 10½	162,243	6 8½	297,153	19 7	From the 30th June 1691, to the 30th of June 1692 - -	170,078	10 4½	107,000	0 0	277,078	10 4½
From the 30th June 1691, to the 30th of June 1692 - -	204,806	10 7½	106,958	0 9½	311,764	11 5	From the 30th June 1692, to the 30th of June 1693 - -	160,204	7 2	151,962	9 9½	312,166	16 11½
From the 30th June 1692, to the 30th of June 1693 - -	182,876	9 8½	177,575	7 7½	360,451	17 4	From the 30th June 1693, to the 30th of June 1694 - -	140,050	17 1½	104,000	2 0	244,050	19 1½
From the 30th June 1693, to the 30th of June 1694 - -	148,890	1 0½	113,250	0 0	262,140	1 0½	From the 30th June 1694, to the 30th of June 1695 - -	187,060	14 4½	170,505	3 2	357,565	17 6½
From the 30th June 1694, to the 30th of June 1695 - -	186,436	9 7½	170,007	13 8	356,444	3 3½	From the 30th June 1695, to the 30th of June 1696 - -	129,504	5 4	99,420	4 6	228,924	9 10
From the 30th June 1695, to the 30th of June 1696 - -	184,583	8 4	175,367	1 10	359,950	10 2	From the 30th June 1696, to the 30th of June 1697 - -	236,227	17 0	210,330	2 0½	446,557	19 0½
From the 30th June 1696, to the 30th of June 1697 - -	218,065	3 10½	197,500	0 0	415,565	3 10½	From the 30th June 1697, to the 30th of June 1698 - -	76,025	14 4	74,025	3 4½	150,050	17 8½
From the 30th June 1697, to the 30th of June 1698 - -	86,892	13 10½	102,278	9 10½	189,171	3 8½	From the 30th June 1698, to the 30th of June 1699 - -	78,636	13 7	113,365	17 5½	192,002	11 0½
From the 30th June 1698, to the 30th of June 1699 - -	34,485	12 6½	21,248	14 0½	55,734	6 7½	By Monies transferred to the succeeding Treasurer per Privy Seal - - - -	69,066	7 7½	44,020	10 0	113,086	17 7½
Total received within Ditto time, and remaining in Cash, as above - - -	1,629,792	7 3½	1,362,777	12 4	2,992,566	19 7½	Total paid and transferred within Ditto time is - - -	1,629,792	7 3½	1,362,777	12 4	2,992,569	19 7½

Memorandum: The several Years Accounts above-mentioned, to the 30th of June 1697, have been annually made up, examined, and passed, by the Office of the Ordnance; and the same, with the proper Vouchers, all delivered up to the Auditors; and the said Accounts declared by the Lords of the Treasury; and the Accountant's *Quittus* had thereupon for his Discharge, without any Privy Seal obtained to supply the Wants of due and regular Vouchers, as may be certified by the Auditors.

The Two other Accounts, for the Years ending the 30th of June 1698, and the 30th of June 1699, are made up, and lie before the Board of Ordnance for their Examination; and to be sent to the Auditors, with the Vouchers thereunto belonging, to be by them examined, in order for a *Quittus* to be had for the full Discharge of this Accountant.

Charles Bertie.

Ordered.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Vaughan's  
Marriage  
Articles.

A Bill to enable *William Vaughan* Esquire, and *Frances Vaughan* his intended Wife, being both under the Age of One-and-twenty Years, to perform Articles made for their Marriage, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Sir *Joseph Jekill*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Freeman*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Taylor*, Mr. *Rigby*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Blofield*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Harris*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Mr. *Townsend*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Markes*, Mr. *Chandler*, Mr. *Bulkley*, Sir *Jeffery Jefferyes*, Mr. *Clark*; and all that serve for the County of *Hereford*, and for the Principality of *Wales*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Steyning  
Election.

A Petition of *Charles Goreing* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, and Sir *Robert Fagg*, stood Candidates at the late Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Steyning*, in the County of *Sussex*, in the room of Sir *John Fagg*, deceased: That the said Sir *Robert*, by Bribery, and many illegal Practices, did endeavour to get a Majority of Voices for him; but the Petitioner had the Majority of legal Votes for him, and he ought to have been returned; yet the Constable of the said Borough, being threatened and over-awed by the said Sir *Robert Fagg*, hath returned him, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do appoint the Matter of the said Petition to be heard upon this Day Fortnight.

Committee  
of Privileges.

*Resolved*, That in case, upon the Days the Committee of Privileges and Elections is to sit, there shall be a Debate in the House held till Four a Clock, the said Debate shall be then adjourned till a further Day.

Lieutenants  
of  
Counties.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had been pleased, pursuant to their Address, to give him Directions to lay before the House several Lists of the Lieutenancy in the several Counties: And he presented the same to the House accordingly; and a Scheme of them:

And further acquainted the House, That the said Lists are as perfect as they can be made from the Council Books; and that, in order to make them more perfect, his Majesty had been pleased to direct circular Letters to be written to the Lord Lieutenants for their Lists of the Lieutenancy; and that as soon as the same come to him, they will also be laid before the House.

The said Lists are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That the said Lists do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Barrington's  
Estate.

A Petition of Sir *Charles Barrington* Baronet was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner hath lately intermarried with the only Daughter of *William Lord Fitz Williams*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*; who, before Marriage, agreed to give 10,000*l.* Portion with his Daughter, and the Petitioner was to settle a suitable Jointure; who, being only Tenant in Tail, cannot do it without an Act of Parliament: That the Petitioner having also incurred some Debts, which were also agreed to be paid off with his said intended Portion; the said Lord *Fitz Williams*, knowing the Petitioner's pressing

Occasions for the said Portion, refuses to pay the same, but upon such unreasonable Terms, as would be a great Wrong to the Petitioner, and his Posterity: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to enable him to charge Part of his Estate, for securing the Payment of his Debts; until his Lady's Portion be paid in; and also to settle a Jointure on his Lady, in lieu of her Portion.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Conyers* and Mr. *Gwyn* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Double Return for the Borough of *Banbury*, in the County of *Oxford*, be made upon Thursday Morning next.

Banbury  
Election.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, presented to Poor. the House a Bill for the setting the Poor on Work; and for the providing for such as are not able to work: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of that Part of his Majesty's gracious Speech, which relates to the Succession.

Limitation  
and Succession  
of the  
Crown.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 12° die Martii;*

13° Willielmi Tertii, Anno 1700-1.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Clothiers of his Majesty's Army was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by a late Act of Parliament for Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and by a Land Tax in *England*, there was 300,000*l.* appropriated for discharging the Subsistence, Off-reckonings, and Clearings, of his Majesty's Guards and Garisons, for One Year, to the 25th of December 1700: That the Petitioners are intitled to the Off-reckonings, there being Six Months Cloathing of the said Year in Arrear to them; and the Subsistence and Clearings are fully paid off, and the whole 300,000*l.* paid away, without any Satisfaction to the Petitioners: And praying, That some Part of the Funds that shall be given this Session, may be applied to discharge the said Debt due to the Petitioners.

Army  
Arrears.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

A Petition of *Tregonell Luttrell*, of *Dunstar Castle*, in the County of *Somerset*, Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Harbour of *Minehead*, in the *Severn* Seas, is of great Benefit to the Western Parts of *England*, and all Seafaring Men, and founded at the private Costs of *George Luttrell* Esquire, the Petitioner's Ancestor, Anno 1616, at the Expence of above 10,000*l.*; and was afterwards constituted, by Act of Parliament, a staple Port, which hath ever since been yearly

Minehead  
Harbour.

yearly supported at the great Expence of the Petitioner's Family; but, within these few Years, the violent Alteration of the Tides hath so choaked up the old Pier, that, unless some speedy and effectual Care be taken to stop the growing Beach, that rises at the Mouth of the Harbour, the same will become useless; the Petitioner, who is at a constant yearly Charge to maintain the old Work, being unable to bear the Expence which the necessary new Works will require: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the better Reparation and Maintenance of the said Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *John Trevillian*, Sir *Geo. Rooke*, Sir *John Mordant*, Sir *Jacob Banks*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Blotfield*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Mountstevens*, Sir *Wm. Phippard*, Sir *Tho. Wagstaffe*, Sir *Humph. Mackworth*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Rolt*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Somerset*, *Devon*, and *Cornwall*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Verney*, Sir *Theoph. Oglethorpe*, Mr. *Wilkins*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Humphry Mackworth*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Russell Roberts*, Mr. *Rayner*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Lewis Girard*, and others, is referred.

A Petition of *John Oates*, in behalf of himself and many others, who served his Majesty in the Regiment commanded lately by the Honourable Brigadier *Hugh Windham*, being 60 in Number, or upwards, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there are considerable Sums due to the Petitioners for Subsistence, and Clearings; which, as they are informed, has been received by the said Brigadier, to the Amount of about 100*l.* a Man; the which has been often demanded of the said Brigadier, but he refuses to pay the same: And praying, That the said Brigadier may be brought to an Account with the Petitioners, and pay them their just Dues.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, to examine the Matter of the said Petition; and state the Fact to the House.

Sir *Robert Davers*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the furnishing the Town of *New Deale* with fresh Water: And the same was received.

A Petition of the Company of Goldsmiths, in the City of *Norwich*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by a Clause in a late Act of Parliament, for encouraging the bringing in of wrought Plate to be coined, there is but One Mark to be put upon all Silver Wares, upon Forfeiture of the same; which Mark is appropriated to the Company of Goldsmiths of *London* only; whereby the Petitioners are rendered incapable of exercising their Trades, to their utter Ruin: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee to whom the Petition of the Goldsmiths of the City of *Exon* is referred: And that Sir *Jacob Banks*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Chetwyn*, Mr. *Blotfield*, be added to the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations do lay before this House an Account of their Proceedings for Improvement of Trade, since the 21st of March 1699, being the time of the Delivery of their last Account.

A Petition of the Proprietors of the Malt Lottery Tickets yet unpaid was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have been pos-

sessed of the said Tickets near Four Years, without receiving any Part of the Principal, or Interest, which amounts to above 700,000*l.* and is deficient: That the said Tickets are now at a Discount of above 30*l.* per Cent.; and must be a great Loss to the Petitioners, unless the House make some effectual Provision for their Credit and Payment: And praying, That the Deficiency of the said Tickets may be taken into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. *Hoblyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better Ease of Sheriffs in passing their Accounts: And the same was received.

Mr. *Stringer* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to examine into the Matter of a Letter that was written down to *Bramber*, to corrupt the said Borough in the last Election of Members of Parliament there, That they had examined into the said Matter accordingly; and had directed him to report the same to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

That the Committee having taken the Examination of several Persons, the same is as followeth:

Mr. *Thomas Waller*, attending, according to Order, produced a Letter, dated the 17th of December 1700, from one *William Clifton*, his Uncle; wherein, amongst other Things, is written;

"I have a Person that is suitable for a Member to serve for your Town of *Bramber*: I will fling away 100*l.* or such a Thing, unknown to him: If you can be his Friend, I can fling 200*l.* into the River of *Bramber*."

Mr. *Waller* said, He never answered the said Letter; nor ever asked *Clifton* who the Person was he had recommended; he looking upon him to be a dangerous Man.

That *Clifton* was present and busy about the Election, and told him he took it unkindly he had never answered his Letter.

That the said *Clifton* being summoned to attend the Committee, the Serjeant's Messenger, who went to serve him with the Order, acquainted the Committee, That Mr. *Clifton's* Landlady told him, That Mr. *Clifton* had left his Lodgings the *Friday* before; and that she had heard since, that he was gone into *Scotland*.

Mr. *Harvey* said, That he, being at *Bramber* at the Election, was in Mr. *Clifton's* Company there; and that *Clifton* shewed him a Letter, which he said he had received from Mr. *Millman*, by the Hands of one Mr. *Alexander Cutting*; which said *Cutting* was directed, by the said Letter, to apply himself to *Clifton* for 10*l.*; and *Clifton* was to place it to the Account of Mr. *Shepherd*.

Mr. *Cutting* said, That he did receive a Letter from Mr. *Millman*, the Week after *Christmas* last, to carry to Mr. *Clifton*; and that he was to apply himself to *Clifton* for 10*l.* for which Sum he had given Mr. *Millman* a Note, when in Town; and believes the Money was to be placed upon Mr. *Shepherd's* Account, had it been paid; but *Clifton* pretending he had not Money, the said *Cutting* brought back the Letter to Mr. *Millman*, and had his Note delivered to him again:

That *Clifton* told him, That Mr. *Millman* was to have 100*l.* for his Interest in the said Election.

Mr. *William Millman*, attending the Committee, said, He did write a Letter to Mr. *Clifton* at *Bramber*, and sent it by Mr. *Cutting*, who was to have received 10*l.* of *Clifton*, *Cutting* having given him a Note for so much here; but that there was no Direction to place the same to the Account of Mr. *Shepherd*.

And, being asked to produce the said Letter, he said, That one Mr. *Perris*, of the Six Clerks Office, advised him to burn the same; which he did do about the beginning of last Week, because there was an Indorsement thereupon, which, he believes, was written by *Clifton*, and signed

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signed S. S.; which Indorsement he thought would have done Mr. *Shepherd* a Prejudice; but that he had kept a Copy of the Letter without the Indorsement; and produced a Paper, which he said imported such Letter.

But the said Mr. *Harvey* confronting him, said, That Letter was not a true Copy of the Letter he saw *Clifton* had from *Cutting*, because the Direction of placing the 10*l.* to the Account of Mr. *Shepherd* was omitted.

Mr. *Millman*, upon his further Examination, said, That, upon the 27th Day of December last, Mr. *Martin*, a Member of this House, came to him, and desired him to go with him to a Coffee-house; which he did: And in a private Room up Stairs in the Coffee-house, was Mr. *Samuel Shepherd*; which Mr. *Shepherd*, applying himself to Mr. *Millman*, told him, He knew the great Interest he had at *Bramber*; and therefore desired he would recommend a Gentleman he should propose to him; but refused then to name him, but desired the Recommendation might be by Letter, and that he would leave a Blank for the Name therein; which he did do: And Mr. *Shepherd* afterwards told him, the Gentleman he had his Recommendation for, was one Mr. *Paschall*, and his Name was put into the Blank of the Letter which was sent to Mr. *Clifton*:

That Mr. *Shepherd* told him, he had hired the said *Cutting* a Coach to go down to *Bramber* about the said Election, and had put 20 Guineas into his Pocket:

But that *Clifton* having written to *Dalby Thomas*, who communicated the same to Mr. *Shepherd*, That he found there was Money to be spent, and that it would cost 2 or 300*l.* more; Mr. *Shepherd* said, That as he had given *Clifton* Money already, he would not send him any more, nor go on any further in the Election.

Mr. *Millman* said further, That he having an Account from *Cutting* of the said Election, who told him, That Mr. *Asgill* had not fair Play; and that the Town would petition the House against the said Election; and that he had gotten a Petition drawn;

Upon which Mr. *Shepherd* came to Mr. *Millman*, and desired he would put a Stop to the Petition, because, he said, it would make a Clamour; and that Mr. *Millman* did stop the same accordingly:

That, upon *Saturday* the 1st of March, at Night, he was sent for to meet Mr. *Shepherd* at the *Blue Posts*; where was Mr. *Shepherd*, his Two Sons, Mr. *Martin*, *Dalby Thomas*, and one Mr. *Lawton*; which Mr. *Lawton* proposed a Method of Interrogation and Answers, upon a Supposition there should be an Examination of the said Letter; and told him, That he might say, That as he was sitting in a Coffee-house, a Gentleman came to him, a Stranger, and told him, He had heard of what Interest he had at *Bramber*; and therefore desired he would give him such Letter of Recommendation:

To which Mr. *Millman* making Answer, That Mr. *Clifton* would be able to contradict such Proposition;

He was told, *Clifton* could not come in; for he was gone upon a Commission into *Yorkshire*:

And Mr. *Shepherd* several times desired him not to mention his Name upon any Examination; and that, if he would stand Buff, they could make nothing of the said Letter:

That when he told them, He must speak the Truth, if he was examined, they upbraided him with being fearful and timorous:

That they had several Meetings upon Mr. *Shepherd*'s Desire; and was to prevail upon Mr. *Millman* not to take Notice of Mr. *Shepherd*'s Name upon any Examination:

That, upon Mr. *Millman*'s applying himself to Mr. *Dodd* for Advice in the Premises, in case of an Examination, Mr. *Dodd* advised him to tell the whole Truth.

That, upon the Examination of other Letters, produced to the said Committee, there appeared to be one from the said Mr. *Cutting* to Mr. *Millman*, dated the 2d January 1700; whereby, among the rest that stood for Candidates, he writes, "And your Friend, which is not here;" and

further writes, "Here is Money brought down, and, I believe, delivered amongst your Tenants."

And Mr. *Cutting*, who wrote the Letter, being asked to explain the said Letter; he said, He believed the Contents to be true, because those Tenants refused to vote for Mr. *Stringer*, but did so for Mr. *Owen*, who was a perfect Stranger to the Borough; which occasioned his Supposition of their being bribed.

That, by another Letter from the said *Cutting* to Mr. *Millman*, dated January the 4th, Twelve a Clock at Night, 1700; wherein is written, "I have Two Votes promised, which is their own Houses: I have promised them 10*l.* a piece to mend their Houses: It has cost me 13*l.* already: I hope you have returned me Money: It is too late to send a Messenger on purpose."

Mr. *Cutting* said, The Meaning of that Letter was, that Mr. *Millman* told him, That, if he sent a Messenger, he would return him 100*l.* to repair the Tenants Houses; and that was no Bribery; but that Money was not sent, because Mr. *Millman*'s Interest miscarried.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That there hath been many indirect and corrupt Practices, in order to procure an Election at the said Borough of *Bramber*.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That there hath been Endeavours and tampering with Witnesses, in relation to the Evidence to be given, concerning the corrupting the Electors for the said Borough of *Bramber*.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Lawton*, named in the said Report, was at the Door, and desired to be heard concerning the Matter that was charged upon him;

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Lawton* be called in, and heard.

Mr. *Lawton* was called in; and, at the Bar, acquainted with what was charged upon him in the said Report.

To which he was heard.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *Lawton* is guilty of tampering with Witnesses, and endeavouring to suppress the Evidence to be given concerning the corrupting the Electors for the said Borough of *Bramber*.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Lawton* be, for the said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House. Persons ordered into Custody &c.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dalby Thomas*, named in the said Report, be summoned to attend this House To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Millman*, named in the said Report, be summoned to attend this House To-morrow Morning.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *Alexander Cutting* hath endeavoured, by Bribes, and other indirect Practices, to corrupt the Electors for the said Borough of *Bramber*.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Alexander Cutting* be, for the said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, take the said Report into further Consideration.

*Ordered*, That *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, *Samuel Shepherd* junior, Esquire, *Francis Shepherd*, Esquire, and *Joseph Martin* Esquire, do attend this House in their Places, To-morrow Morning. Members to attend in their Places.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of that Part of his Majesty's gracious Speech, which relates to the Succession, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

1. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That all Things relating to the well Governing of this Kingdom shall be transacted in Council; and all Resolutions

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Resolutions taken thereupon shall be signed by the Privy Council.

2. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That no Person whatsoever, that is not a Native of *England, Scotland, or Ireland*, or of the Dominions thereunto belonging; or who is not born of *English* Parents beyond the Seas; although such Person be naturalized, or made Denizen; shall be capable to be of the Privy Council, or a Member of either House of Parliament, or to enjoy any Office or Place of Trust, either Civil or Military.

3. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That no Person whatsoever, that is not a Native of *England, Scotland, or Ireland*, or of the Dominions thereunto belonging; or who is not born of *English* Parents beyond the Seas; although such Person be naturalized, or made Denizen; shall be capable of any Grant of Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, from the Crown, to himself, or any other in Trust for him.

4. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, upon the further Limitation of the Crown, in case the same shall hereafter come to any Person not being a Native of this Kingdom of *England*, this Nation be not obliged to engage in any War for the Defence of any Dominions or Territories not belonging to the Crown of *England*, without the Consent of Parliament.

5. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That whosoever shall hereafter come to the Possession of this Crown, shall join in Communion with the Church of *England*, as by Law established.

6. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That no Pardon be pleadable to an Impeachment in Parliament.

7. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That no Person who shall hereafter come to the Possession of this Crown, shall go out of the Dominions of *England, Scotland, or Ireland*, without Consent of Parliament.

8. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That no Person who has an Office under the King, or receives a Pension from the Crown, shall be capable of serving as a Member of the House of Commons.

9. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That further Provision be made for the Confirming of all Laws and Statutes for Securing our Religion, and the Rights and Liberties of the People.

10. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Judges Commissions be made *quam diu se bene gesserint*, and their Salaries ascertained and established; but, upon the Address of either House of Parliament, it may be lawful to remove them.

11. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Princess *Sophia*, Duchess Dowager of *Hanover*, be declared the next in Succession to the Crown of *England*, in the Protestant Line, after his Majesty and the Princess, and the Heirs of their Bodies, respectively: And that the further Limitation of the Crown be to the said Princess *Sophia*, and the Heirs of her Body, being Protestants.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

Several Amendments were proposed to be made thereto; *viz.*

After "Kingdom," to insert "which are properly cognizable in the Privy Council;" and to leave out "in Council," and insert "there:"

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That all Things relating to the well Governing of this Kingdom, which are properly cognizable in the Privy Council, shall be transacted there; and all Resolutions taken thereupon shall be signed by the Privy Council.

The 2d, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9th Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

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The 10th Resolution being read a Second time; An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, by leaving out "but, upon the Address of either House of Parliament, it may be lawful to remove them:"

And the Question being put, That those Words do stand Part of the said Resolution;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Judges Commissions be made *quam diu se bene gesserint*, and their Salaries ascertained and established; but, upon the Address of either House of Parliament, it may be lawful to remove them.

The 11th Resolution, being read a Second time, was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions:

And it is referred to Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Tho. Littleton*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Sir *John Bolles*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, to prepare, and bring in, the same.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for setting the Poor on Work; Poor. and for providing for such as are not able to work; be read upon *Tuesday Morning* next, in a full House.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

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PRAYERS.

MR. *Birch*, according to Order, presented to the Corrupting House a Bill to prevent the Corrupting of Jurors: Jurors. And the same was received.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Halifax*, Halifax Poor. in the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are very much oppressed with poor People; and the Charge will further increase, without some speedy Care; to prevent which, the Petitioners have undertaken to employ such as are able to work, and provide for the Impotent; but cannot proceed therein without an Act of Parliament: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for making the said Town a Corporation for regulating their Poor.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that the Lord *Fairfax*, and Sir *John Kay*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

A Petition of *Mary Stout* Widow, was presented to the House. Stout's Petition.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be read in a full House.

A Bill for furnishing the Town of *New Deal* with fresh Water was read the First time. Deal Water-works.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon this Day Sevensnight.

Mr. *Carter* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report

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to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some Amendments made to some of them, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

And the Account is as followeth; viz.

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For a Search of the Inrolment or Record being in the Office, 3 s. 4 d.; if lodged at <i>Westminster</i>	-	0	10 0
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For the Inrolment of any Warrant, or Order of Court	-	0	13 4
For drawing and ingrossing a Particular of a Rent-charge, or Fee-farm Rent, to be passed away	-	1	6 8
For the Inrolment of every Patent Lease of One Farm, Commission, or Institution	-	0	13 4
For Inrolment, or other Grant of Perpetuity	-	1	6 8
For entering and examining the several Duplicates of any Tax granted to his Majesty by Act of Parliament; making out brief States; drawing and ingrossing the Account, and attending the Baron therewith; for Declaration at 6 d. per Pound, out of the Receivers Poundage-money; which, for each 1,000 l. granted to the Crown, and paid into the Exchequer, is	-	0	4 2
For entering and examining the several Duplicates for the Tax granted to his Majesty on Houses; making out brief States; drawing and ingrossing the Account, and attending the Baron therewith; for Declaration, 5 l. per Annum for each County	-	5	0 0
For Copies of any Record, by the Sheet	-	0	0 8
To the Two Auditors, who make up the Cofferers Account yearly	-	30	0 0
All which is most humbly submitted to this Honourable House.			

*Ant. Parsons*, Auditor.

*Henry Shales*, Auditor.

*Cha. Chetwynd*, D. Auditor.

To the Auditor of *Wales*, for calculating, examining, and passing, every Sheriff's Account; ingrossing the same with a *Quietus est*; and all Things thereunto belonging

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*Cha. Chetwynd*, D. Auditor.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Marsham's Estate.

A Message from the Lords, by Doctor *Newton* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Sir *Robert Marsham* Knight and Baronet, to dispose of Lands in *Hertfordshire*; and to settle other Lands, of better Value, in *Kent*, to the same Uses as the Lands in *Hertfordshire* are settled: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Banbury Election.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, upon the Double Return for the Borough of *Banbury*, in the County of *Oxon*; and the Resolution of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

That the Committee have inspected and examined the Matter of the Double Return for *Banbury*.

That, upon Inspection of the Record, they find, That *Charles North* Esquire is returned by one Indenture; and that *John Dormer* Esquire is returned by another Indenture.

That, in *Banbury*, at present, and at the time of the Election, and for about Two Years last past, there have been Two contending Mayors; and which of them Two was the proper Officer to make the Return, was the Question before the Committee.

That this Fact was agreed on by both Parties, That Mr. *Thorp* was Mayor of *Banbury*, and died before his Year was up; viz. the 25th of February 1698; but the Question in Dispute was, which was his lawful Successor.

That the Corporation, by Charter, consists of Twelve Aldermen, Six Capital Burgesses, and Thirty Assistants; and the Mayor is to be chosen out of the Aldermen; that is to say, upon the annual Choice of a Mayor, the Aldermen, Capital Burgesses, and Assistants, have a Right to

The House being informed, That one of the Auditors of his Majesty's Land Revenue was at the Door; He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House an Account of all such Fees and Allowances as belong to the several Auditors of his Majesty's Land Revenue.

And then he withdrew.

And the Title thereof was read:

vote; but if a Mayor die within a Year, then his Successor for the remaining Part of the Year is to be chosen by the Aldermen and Burgesses only.

That Mr. *North*'s Return being affixed next to the Writ, his Counsel first began to maintain his Return, which was by *John West* senior; whose Succession to *Thorp* they derived thus: That, after the Death of Mr. *Thorp*, one *Welshman* was chosen Mayor for the succeeding Part of the Year; to him succeeded *John West* junior; and to *John West* junior succeeded *John West* senior; who made the Return of Mr. *North*.

That to make out Mr. *West* senior's Title of Mayor, the Counsel for Mr. *North* first proceeded to make out who had the Right of electing the Mayor of *Banbury*: And, for that, they produced their Charter of Confirmation, 6<sup>o</sup> *Jacobi*; which says, That the Mayor, Aldermen, Capital Burgesses, Chamberlain, and Assistants of the Borough of *Banbury*, sive major pars eorum, de tempore in tempus, in perpetuum, perpetuis futuris temporibus, auctoritatem et potestatem habeant, et habebunt, annuatim, et quolibet anno, in die *Lunæ*, qui primo et proxime evenerit, acciderit, et contigerit, in mense *Septembris*, eligendi et nominandi, et quod eligere et nominare possint et valeant unum de aldermannis burgi prædicti fore et esse majorem burgi prædicti, to continue from *Michaelmas* Day following for One whole Year; and that the Mayor, so elected, before he be admitted to execute his Office, sacramentum corporale coram ultimo majore prædecessore suo, seu ejus deputato, aut seniore aldermanno, et cæteris aldermannis, et capitallibus burgensibus burgi prædicti, vel tot eorum, qui ad tunc interesse voluerint, in et supra quodlibet festum sancti *Michaelis* Archangeli, proximum post electionem et nominationem suam, præstabit: And the Charter further provides, That if the Mayor shall die within a Year, or, for just Cause, be removed, Quod tunc et toties bene liceat et licebit residuis de aldermannis burgi prædicti, et capitalibus burgensibus burgi prædicti, ad tunc superviventibus vel remanentibus, pro tempore existentibus, vel majore parte eorundem, unum alium de aldermannis prædicti burgi in locum et officium ipsius majoris burgi prædicti sic mori, vel amoveri, contingentis, eligere et præficere, secundum ordinationem et provisionem in his præsentibus declaratas; et

et quod ille sic electus et præfectus in officio majoris burgi prædicti, officium illud habeat et exerceat, durante residuo ejusdem anni, sacramentum coporale in forma prædicta prius præstante; et, si nullum deputatum fecerit tunc succedat in ejus locum, officium, et authoritatem, senior aldermannus dicti burgi, pro tempore domi existens, ad faciendum et exequendum omnia et singula, quæ dictus major, si præsens fuerit, exequeretur aut faceret. The Charter also grants, That the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses, shall for ever have and hold a Court of Record, in every Week throughout the Year, coram majore burgi prædicti, vel ejus sufficiente deputato, ac uno alio aldermanno burgi prædicti, necnon recordatore ejusdem burgi pro tempore existente, vel ejus sufficiente deputato, et duobus capitalibus burgensibus burgi prædicti, vel aliquibus tribus eorum, quorum major, vel ejus deputatus pro tempore existens, unum esse volumus.

That the Counsel for Mr. North also produced a Copy of By-laws, made, amongst other Things, for the regulating the Elections of Mayors; by which By-laws it is provided, That, at the Choice of every Mayor, the Mayor for the Time being, or his Deputy, or senior Alderman, shall call unto him the next senior Alderman, and junior Alderman, and senior and junior Burgess, who shall separate themselves from the rest of the Company, and go into the little Chamber, and, by most of their Voices, shall agree upon One of the Aldermen to stand to succeed to be Mayor for the Year following; which Alderman, so agreed upon, shall depart into the minor Chamber, and there remain till he be called: Whereupon the Mayor for the Time being, and all the Aldermen and Burgesses, Chamberlain, and Assistants, shall proceed by Voices to the allowing, or disallowing, the said Choice, in manner following; viz. Every one of the said Mayor, Aldermen, Burgesses, Chamberlain, and Assistants present, shall openly give his Voice to the said Choice affirmatively, or negatively, to be taken by the Chamberlain, or Town Clerk; and if the more Part of the said Assembly shall dislike of the said Alderman proposed, then the Mayor, Two Aldermen, and Two Burgesses shall, proceed to the Naming of some other Alderman, who shall be tried in like manner; and so continuing the same Course, until One shall be agreed upon to be one of the Aldermen to stand in Election to be Mayor of the said Borough for One whole Year, from the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel then next following; which being done, the like Course shall be taken for the Naming of One other Alderman, One of which shall be elected Mayor for the Year following, as aforesaid: And then the Mayor, Aldermen, Burgesses, Chamberlain, and Assistants present, shall openly give their Voices which of the Two shall be Mayor for the Year following, according to the Letters Patents, upon the Penalty of forfeiting 20s.

That the Right of electing Mayor being thus made out by the Charter, and By-laws; Mr. North's Counsel proceeded to the making out of the Fact; That Mr. John West was, at the time of the Return, rightful Mayor: And, for that, they called,

Mr. Philip Styles senior, the Town-Clerk: Who testified, That Mr. Thorpe died on Saturday the 25th of February was Two Years; and that the eldest Alderman, upon the Death of a Mayor, has Power to act; who summoned the Aldermen and Burgesses to meet together the same Day; and about Ten of them did meet; amongst others, Mr. Reynolds, who was for going to an Election that Night; but at last it was agreed to meet next Night, at Five a Clock; and it was then ordered, That all who had a Right to elect, should be summoned to attend; and accordingly Eight of them met at the eldest Alderman's, Mr. Richard Wheatly's, in Gowns; and then they went to the Town Hall, and rung the Bell, to give Notice: That some were out of the Way, and some would not come: That after they had stayed some time, they went to an Election, and had Five Nominators, according to the By-laws, and did elect Mr. Welshman for the remaining Part of the Year, who was sworn by the senior Alderman: That Eight voted for Mr. Welshman, and Nine kept away: But, however, he conceived the

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major Part appearing to have Power to elect; and, upon Search in the Books, had found 16 or 17 Instances of a Mayor elected without the Majority of all that had a Right to elect: That, the first Monday in the Month of September following, they sent the like Summons, and elected and swore John West junior; and, the First Monday in last September, they did, in like manner, elect and swear John West senior; who returned Mr. North: And that the Ensigns belonging to the Office of Mayor have, ever since Mr. Thorp's Death, been in their Possession successively.

Mr. Styles senior further said, That after the Aldermen and Burgesses are summoned, and meet, to elect a Mayor, he never knew them depart without making an Election; and the Reason they proceeded to elect Mr. Welshman on the Sunday following the Death of Mr. Thorp, was, because a Court was to be held next Day, which ought to be held by the Mayor; and though the senior Alderman does act in Court as Deputy Mayor, he never knew him act upon the Death of a Mayor.

Thomas Welford, Serjeant at Mace, said, That the same Day that Mr. Thorp died, there were Ten or Eleven met at his House; and some of them proposed to go to an Election immediately, but some of the Seniors thought it would be better next Day, but agreed it must be then, because of the Court; and that was to be held on Monday; and accordingly, some of them said, They would take Notice of it: However, he went to every one of their Houses afterwards, and summoned them as at all other times; and in like manner summoned them upon the Choice of Mr. West junior, and Mr. West senior.

That the Counsel for Mr. Dormer insisted, That where there is a Corporation aggregate, every Act of the Corporation that is obliging, must be done, not only by the major Part present, but by the major Part of the Whole; and instanced in the Case of Dean and Chapters; and that the By-laws could not alter the Manner of Election appointed by Charter, which says, shall be by the Majority of the Corporation; and that Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Samuel West were elected by such a Majority; and that it was not pretended, that the Mayors, under which Mr. North's Return was made, had such a Majority: They further insisted, That the senior and junior Alderman and Burgess was always understood of such as appeared: That the Matter of Welshman's Election was heard before the Council; and another Election directed by them, and called

Mr. Styles junior, who acted as Town Clerk under Mayor Sam. West, and Mr. Clark: Who said, after Mr. Thorp's Death, Mr. Reynolds was elected for the remaining Part of the Year; Nine appearing at that Election; and he was sworn before the Recorder, and other Aldermen: And that, the First Monday in September following, Mr. Samuel West was elected Mayor by 26 present; and, last September, the said Mr. West was again continued Mayor, by the Votes of 11 Aldermen and Burgesses, and 18 Assistants; but the senior Alderman was not present; and that Mr. Sam. West had also his Officers, and kept Courts; and had the Books of the Corporation, and the Seal of the Corporation: And Mr. Styles said further, That, upon the Choice of a Mayor to succeed another dying within the Year, he never knew them make use of Nominators.

John Stokes said, That he had known several Elections, at which the senior Alderman has not appeared, and the next senior Alderman has acted.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to this Resolution following; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Charles North Esquire is duly returned a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Banbury, in the County of Oron.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Charles North Esquire, is duly returned a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Banbury, in the County of Oron;

The House divided.

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The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir Jo. Leveson Gower, } 211.  
 Mr. Bridges :  
 Tellers for the Noes, { Sir William Strickland, } 111.  
 Colonel Mordaunt :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Crown do attend this House To-morrow Morning, to amend the Return for the Borough of *Banbury*, by taking off the Return of *John Dormer* Esquire.

Royal Assent  
to a Bill.

A Message from his Majesty, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :

Mr. Speaker,

The King commands this Honourable House to attend him, immediately, in the House of Peers.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend his Majesty.

And, being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That his Majesty had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the Bill, intituled, An Act for renewing the Bills of Credit, commonly called Exchequer Bills.

Huntington  
Election.

Ordered, That the Hearing the Merits of the Election for the Borough of *Huntington*, in the County of *Huntington*, be adjourned till *Saturday* Morning next.

Charge of  
Corruption  
at Bramber  
Election.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to examine into the Matter of a Letter that was written down to *Bramber*, to corrupt the said Borough, in the last Election of Members there.

And Mr. *Stringer* acquainted the House, That, since the Report made, there was come to his Hands the Original of a Letter, a Copy whereof is mentioned in the Report; and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

To Mr. *Thomas Waller*, at *Bramber* near *Steyning*, in *Sussex*.

Mr. *Waller*,

I writ to you last Night, to desire you and the Tenants not to oppose Mr. *Asgill*, if he stands; but I likewise desire my Tenants would give me their Votes for the other Representative: I understand the Houses are much out of Repair, and I have desired the Bearer to view them, in order to make them tenantable, to the liking of the Tenants. As to the approaching Election; if you find that Mr. *Asgill* is not like to prevail; then I desire you will promote my Interest, and the Interest of my Friend, who Mr. *Clifton* shall name unto you, being *John Paschall* Esquire, so that he and myself may be chosen; wishing you, and all my Tenants a happy *Christmas*, and merry New Year, and expecting to hear from you: And am

Your Friend at Command,

Inner Temple,

Wm. Milman.

27 December 1700.

And Mr. *Samuel Shepherd* senior, and Mr. *Samuel Shepherd* junior, Mr. *Francis Shepherd*, and Mr. *Martin*, attending in their Places, according to Order; the Report was again read; and they were heard thereupon.

And Mr. *Milman* was several times called in; and examined.

And then withdrew.

And one Mr. *Holland* was called in; and examined.

And then he withdrew.

Also Mr. *Dalby Thomas* was called in; and examined; and heard, as to the Charge against him.

And then he withdrew.

Afterwards Mr. *Milman* and Mr. *Thomas* were called in together; and heard.

And then withdrew.

After which Mr. *Shepherd* senior was heard in his Place.

And then withdrew.

Resolutions  
against  
Members  
concerned.

Resolved, That it appears to this House, That *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, is guilty of several unwarrantable and indirect Practices, in order to obtain an Election

of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bramber*, in the County of *Sussex*.

Resolved, That *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, is guilty of sending out of the Way a Witness, and endeavouring to suppress Evidence, touching Matters under the Examination of this House.

Ordered, That the said Mr. *Shepherd* do attend this House in his Place, To-morrow Morning.

Ordered, That Mr. *Richard Sherwood*, Mr. *Peter Bolton*, and \* *Perkins* of *Foster-lane*, do attend this House To-morrow Morning, with the Books of Account.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 14° die Martii;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1700-1.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Masters and Workmen of the Art and Trade of Wool-combing, of the Borough of *Leicester*, and Parts adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, for many Years past, got a good Livelihood for themselves and Families, by their said Trade; which, of late, is very much prejudiced, by ignorant Persons falling into this Trade, who make ill-wrought Goods, and are constrained to put them off at under Prices; which Mischiefs, if not timely regulated by some good Act, will shortly ruin the said Trade: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws in being, relating to the Woollen Manufactures.

A Petition of the Masters and Journeymen of the Ditto. Mystery, Art, or Occupation, of Wool-combing, of the Town and Borough of *Cirencester*, in the County of *Gloucester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That many Thousands of Persons have been well maintained by the said Employment, which is much fallen to Decay of late, by reason that many who were never bred up in the said Trade, it not being within the Statute, intermeddle therein, upon Pretence of setting the Poor on Work; though it is only to put off their own Commodities to them at their own Prices, instead of Money, to the Ruin of the said Trade, and the poor People so employed: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill, that none may use the Trade of Wool-combing, but such as have served Seven Years Apprenticeship to the same; or that their Grievances may be otherwise redressed, as the House shall think meet.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws in being, relating to the Woollen Manufactures.

A Bill to prevent the Corrupting of Jurors was read the First time.

Corrupting  
Jurors.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time upon this Day Sevensnight.

A Petition of *Nathanael Gould* Esquire, a Member of this House, serving for the Borough of *New Shoreham*, in the County of *Sussex*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That through Inadvertency, and a mistaken Apprehension of the Law, he had done that, before the Teste of the Writ, which may justly render him liable to the Displeasure of this House; and that the Thoughts thereof are so afflicting, that he rather chose to acknowledge his Error, than seem to justify the same by a Defence; and therefore, with the greatest Humility, submits himself to the Justice and Favour of the House, humbly professing, that the Expence which he so unfortunately made, was entirely on his own Account.

A Member  
discharged  
on his own  
Petition,  
confessing  
Bribery.

Resolved, That the said Mr. *Gould* be discharged from being a Member of this House.

Whereas there is to be a Hearing at the Bar of this House To-morrow, against the said Mr. *Gould*, upon the Petition



Petition of several of the Inhabitants of the said Borough of *New Shoreham* :

*Ordered*, That the said Hearing be discharged.

*Ordered*, That no Warrant do issue this Session for a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess for the said Borough of *New Shoreham*, in the room of the said Mr. *Gould*.

Banbury  
Return  
amended.

The Clerk of the Crown attended, according to Order ; and amended the Return for the Borough of *Banbury*, in the County of *Oxon*, by taking off the Indenture, by which *John Dormer* Esquire, was returned.

Kidd's  
Piracies.

*Ordered*, That the Papers which were laid before this House, from the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, relating to Captain *Kidd*, do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

They are in a Bag by themselves.

*Ordered*, That the Journals of the Council for *New England* and *New York* which have been transmitted to the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations, since the Government of the Earl of *Bellomont* there, be laid before the House.

Journals of  
New Eng-  
land, &c.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Dodington*, Paymaster to the late Treasurer of the Navy, attended ;

Navy  
Treasurer's  
Accounts.

He was called in ; and, at the Bar, presented to the House the Abstract of the Accounts since the 5th Day of *November* 1688, of the Lord Viscount *Falkland*, late Treasurer of the Navy : And also,

The Abstract of the Account of the Earl of *Orford*, late Treasurer of the Navy : And also,

The Earl of *Orford*'s Account, relating to *Greenwich* Hospital.

And then withdrew.

And the Titles of the said Accounts were read :

And the Accounts are as follow ; viz.

The said ABSTRACT of the Lord *Falkland*'s Accounts.

	£.	s.	d.
To Receipts from the Exchequer, for the Service of the Navy, and Victualling thereof - - - - -	197,852	19	11
To ditto, on Account of the voluntary Charge - - - - -	6,652	4	5½
<b>TOTAL - - -</b>	<b>£. 204,505</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4½</b>

By Payments to Bills on the ordinary and extraordinary Service of the Navy - - - - -	50,830	15	3
By ditto, to Wages of his Majesty's Ships and Yards - - - - -	65,981	11	10
By ditto, to the Service of the Victualling - - - - -	87,011	0	4½
<b>Total Payments - - -</b>	<b>203,823</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5½</b>
To Balance - - - - -	681	15	10½
<b>TOTAL - - -</b>	<b>£. 204,505</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4½</b>

Collected for the Administrators of the late Lord *Falkland*, from the Account of his several Officers, per me,  
*Geo. Dodington.*

An ACCOUNT for what Uses the said Balance remains.

	£.	s.	d.
For the Ordinary and Extra - - - - -	79	8	7
For Wages - - - - -	514	4	0½
For the Victualling - - - - -	88	3	3½
<b>To Balance, ut supra - - -</b>	<b>£. 681</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10½</b>

An ABSTRACT of the Receipts and Payments of the Right Honourable *Edward* Earl of *Orford*, late Treasurer of his Majesty's Navy, between the Fourth of April 1689, and the Twelfth of March 1700; viz.

Debtor, Exchequer Charge,				Creditor.						
£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.		
To Receipts for the Service of the Navy, and Victualling thereof				By Payments to Bills on the ordinary and extraordinary Service of the Navy				-	-	-
To ditto, for building Twenty-seven new Ships of War, according to Act of Parliament				By ditto, to the Treasurer of the Ordnance				-	-	-
Voluntary Charge.				By ditto, to the Treasurer of the sick and wounded Seamen				-	-	-
For Anthony Lord Viscount Falkland, the preceding Treasurer				By ditto, to Wages of his Majesty's Ships, Yards, and Marine Soldiers				-	-	-
For Stores supplied the Twenty-seven new Ships out of the current Service of the Navy				By ditto, to Warrants on the Service of the Victualling				-	-	-
For old Stores sold				By ditto, to Sir Tho. Littleton, the now Treasurer of the Navy, for the said Service of the Victualling				-	-	-
For Stores furnished to Merchants Ships				By ditto, to Bills and Wages to Workmen, on Account of the Twenty-seven new Ships. The Remainder of the said Ships Money was applied, by Act of Parliament, to the Current Service of the Navy				-	-	-
For Interest on				By Money returned into the Exchequer to be re-coined, and is Part of the Exchequer Charge				-	-	-
{ Tallies - 82,099 16 10				{ To the Commissioners of sick and wounded Seamen - 8,220 13 8						
{ Bank Bills - 273 0 0				{ To Bounties, Widows, Chest at Chatham, &c. - 24,587 12 5						
{ Exchequer Bills - 552 0 6				{ To Sir Thomas Littleton - 23 3 6						
Benefits arising by drawing of Malt Lottery Tickets				Tenths { Rewards for Services done at Sea - 5,330 0 0						
To clear Impress, and Pursers Accounts				{ To Sir Thomas Littleton - 6,013 12 4						
From the Earl of Ranelagh, for Marine Regiments										
On promiscuous Accounts										
152,473 9 9½										
For Tallow, Hides, Offal, &c.										
For Provisions sold, and supplied Garisons, Soldiers, &c.										
For decayed, damaged, and deficient Provisions										
For Vessels, Staves, Bran, Grains, Casks, &c.										
For Freight, and short Tonnage										
For Interest on Tallies										
For Rent, Wharfage, Taxes, and Repairs										
On promiscuous Accounts										
150,621 18 8										
Prizes from the Commissioners thereof										
on Account of { Thirds - 32,882 15 3				BALANCE - £.						
{ Tenth - 11,443 12 4				TOTAL - £.						
347,421 16 0½				17,349,321 16 0						
TOTAL - £.				17,349,321 16 0						

Note,—This Balance is not sufficient to pay such Bills as are assigned thereon, and to answer other legal Demands.

Oxford.

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*Oxford.*

An ACCOUNT in what Species, and for what Uses, and in whose Hands, the said Balance remains.

Species.	Ordinary and Extraordinary.	Wages.	Victualling.	Prizes in		Totals.	—	In whose Hands.
				Thirds.	Tenths.			
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	
Money - -	4,623 5 3½	5,939 5 6½	1,835 11 9½	51 5 8	100 0 0	12,549 8 4	7,730 0 10½ 31 7 11½ 1,804 3 10 2,976 15 8	{ The Widow of Mr. Ant. Stephens. Mr. Antony Sturt. Mr. Philip Paddon. Mr. Geo. Doddington.
Tallies on several Funds -	9,721 11 2½	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	9,721 11 2½	- - - -	Mr. Geo. Dodding- ton.
Exchequer Bills	927 2 3	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	927 2 3	- - - -	
Malt Lottery Tickets, with their Prizes -	2,987 15 6½	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	2,987 15 6½	- - - -	
	18,259 14 3½	5,939 5 6½	1,835 11 9½	51 5 8	100 0 0	26,185 17 4	The Balance, <i>ut supra</i> .	

*Note*, That the Earl of Orford, on the laying down this Employment, did then, and several times since, desire the Lords of the Treasury to admit of his paying over, to the succeeding Treasurer, the Balances remaining in his Hands; and which he still desires so to do.

The Earl of Orford's said Account, relating to *Greenwich Hospital*, between the 1st of May 1699, and the 12th of March 1700-1; *viz.*

	£. s. d.
To Money abated out of the Wages of Seamen, serving on board his Majesty's Ships, after the Rate of 6d. per Mensen - - - - -	27,911 15 0½
To Money paid to <i>John Evelyn</i> , Esquire, Treasurer to the said Hospital - - - - -	25,000 0 0

By Balance - 2,911 15 0½

*Orford.*

Total - 27,911 15 0½

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Charge of Bribery against Mr. Shepherd, a Member.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to the Hearing of the Matter of the Charge against *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire.

And the Counsel for making good the Charge against him, and the Counsel for him, were called in, and heard: And divers Witnesses were examined, both against and for him, touching the Election for the Borough of *Wootton-Basset*, in the County of *Wilts*.

And then they withdrew.

And one Mr. *Lawrence* being, in the Evidence given at the Bar, accused;

And the House being informed, That the said Mr. *Lawrence* was without, and desired to be called in, and heard;

He was called in, and heard at the Bar, accordingly.

And then he withdrew.

And Mr. *Shepherd* was heard in his Place.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, is guilty of endeavouring, by Bribery, and corrupt Practices, to procure an Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Wootton-Basset*, in the County of *Wilts*.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *Lawrence*, Agent for *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, is guilty of endeavouring, by Bribery, and corrupt Practices, to procure an Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Wootton-Basset*, in the County of *Wilts*.

A Person committed.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Lawrence* be, for the said Offence, committed Prisoner to his Majesty's Prison of *Newgate*: And that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrants accordingly.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, proceed further in the Hearing of the Matter of the Charge against Mr. *Shepherd* senior.

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*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Shepherd* senior do attend this House in his Place, To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati*, 15<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

13<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

THE Order of the Day for hearing the Matter upon the Petition touching the Election for the Borough of *Huntington*, being read.

Huntington Election.

*Ordered*, That the said Hearing be adjourned until *Thursday* the Tenth Day of April next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Davy* have Leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, his Wife being very ill.

Leave of Absence.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Sir *Robert Marsham* Knight and Baronet, to dispose of Lands in *Hertfordshire*; and to settle other Lands of better Value, in *Kent*, to the same Uses as the Lands in *Hertfordshire* are settled; was read the First time.

Marsham's Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of *Robert* Lord Viscount *Killmorey*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by Virtue of a Settlement made upon his Father's Marriage, the Petitioner is Tenant in Tail, in Possession, and in Reversion, after his Mother's Death, of several Manors and Lands in the Counties of *Chester*, *Salop*, *Stafford*, and *Norfolk*; and is now treating about an advantageous Marriage; but is not capable of making a Settlement, being but about 18 Years of Age: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for vesting his Estate in Trustees, to enable him to make a Settlement agreeable to the Fortune he shall have with a Wife.

Lord Killmorey's Estate.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Robert Cotton* and Mr. *Offley* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

A Petition of *Louis D'Hanus*, *Pierre du Puy*, and others, in Major General *La Melonier*'s late Regiment of Foot, on the *English* Establishment, on behalf of themselves, and several other Officers of the said Regiment,

Army Arrears.

was

was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That they have faithfully served during the late Wars; but could never have their Monies paid them, nor their Accounts stated, as the rest of the Army; whereupon they applied to the Commissioners of Accounts: Who answered, That they had no Power to redress their Grievances, the Parliament having already made Provision for the Five *French* Regiments, for whom they had sent their Precepts, but had no Return made: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts to examine the Matter of the said Petition; and state the Fact to the House.

Nodes' Estate.

Mr. *Freeman*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for vesting a certain Messuage, and Lands, in *Stevenage*, in the County of *Hertford*, the Estate of *Richard Nodes*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for making a Provision for his Wife and Children, equal to the Provision secured to them out of the said Estate: And the same was received.

Papers from Admiralty.

Colonel *Churchill*, from the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, presented to the House several of the Letters and Papers which were mentioned in a Schedule, delivered in by the said Commissioners, to be delivered over to the Persons, to whom they were directed; the Commissioners having sent to them for the same, by Order of the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Letters and Papers do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Creditors of late King James's Queen.

A Petition of *Edmund Webb* Esquire, *Edward Rigby*, *Wm. Sherrard*, *Peter Du Frenoy*, *Paul Clousley*, *Nich. Alexander*, *Renatus Harris*, and *William Edmonds*, on behalf of themselves, and divers others, Creditors of the late King *James's* Queen, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said King did settle upon Trustees Part of the Revenue of the Crown, for a separate Maintenance and Provision for the said Queen: That the Petitioners Debts, for Work done, and Goods sold for her Use, amount to near 5,000*l.*; and, in a Clause to a Bill depending in the House of Commons, in the First Year of his Majesty's Reign, and in another Bill and Clause of the like Nature, Part of the said Trust Estate, then vested in his Majesty, was appropriated for Payment of the said Queen's just Debts; but, by reason of the speedy Rising of the Parliament, both Laws failed; since which, the Petitioners are informed, Part of the said Estate is granted under the Great Seal, without any Provision for the said Debts: And praying, That their Case, as to their Debts, may be taken into Consideration, and the Petitioners relieved concerning the same.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill to resume the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick; is committed.

Half-pay.

A Petition of the disbanded Officers of the Army was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners served his Majesty during the late Wars, with the highest Zeal, and great Hardships, especially for want of their Pay, what remaining due to them being near Cent. per Cent. Loss to them; nor have they received any Subsistence for these Six Months Pay: And praying, That the House will continue the Favour of allowing them Half-pay for their Support, till provided for.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

St German's Writ.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a Letter from *John Speccott* Esquire, who is very ill in Town; That, he being chosen Knight of the Shire for the County of *Cornwall*; and also a Burgess for the

Borough of *St. Germans*, in the same County; he makes his Election to serve for the County of *Cornwall*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *St. Germans*, in the room of the said *John Speccott* Esquire.

A Motion being made, That the ingrossed Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's-Bench* and *Fleet*, might be read the Third time; King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.

And it being moved, That *William Lenthall* Esquire may be heard by his Counsel, at the Bar of this House, against the said Bill, as to his Interest in the said Prison of the *King's-Bench*;

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Lenthall* be heard, by his Counsel, at the Bar of this House, upon this Day Seven-night, against the said Bill: And that the Bill be then read the Third time.

The House proceeded in the further Hearing of the Matter of the Charge against *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire. Charge of Bribery against Mr. Shepherd, a Member.

And the Counsel for making good the Charge against him, and the Counsel for him, were called in; and heard: And divers Witnesses were examined, both against and for him, touching the Election for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*.

And then they withdrew.

And Mr. *Shepherd* was heard in his Place.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, is guilty of procuring an Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*, by Bribery and Corruption.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *William Adye* is guilty of Bribery, and corrupt Practices, in procuring an Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *William Adye* be, for the said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That the Counsel be called in, to proceed in the further Hearing of the Matter of the Charge against the said Mr. *Shepherd*: And that Mr. *Shepherd* do attend again in his Place.

And he attending accordingly.

The Counsel were called in; and they were heard, and several Witnesses examined, touching the Election for the Borough of *Ilchester*, in the County of *Somerset*: In which Examination Mr. *Edward Allen* being accused; who having been ordered to attend this House; and attending accordingly; he was heard thereupon.

And then the Counsel, and Witnesses, and Mr. *Shepherd*, and Mr. *Allen*, withdrew.

A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *Edward Allen* is guilty of notorious Bribery, in distributing Money, in order to procure himself to be elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Ilchester*, in the County of *Somerset*;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, after "*Allen*," these Words, "One of the Directors of the new *East India* Company:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *Edward Allen*, One of the Directors of the new *East-India* Company, is guilty of notorious Bribery, in distributing Money, in order to procure himself to be elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Ilchester*, in the County of *Somerset*. A Person committed.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Edward Allen* be, for his said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That upon Examination this Day had, in relation to the Election for the said Borough of *Ilchester*, nothing appears to affect *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, therein.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, proceed in the further Hearing of the Matter of the Charge against the said Mr. *Shepherd* senior.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Shepherd* senior do attend this House, in his Place, upon *Monday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That all such Persons as were summoned to attend this House this Day, and have not been examined and heard, do attend again upon *Monday* Morning next.

In the Examination Yesterday, touching the Election for the Borough of *Wootton Bassett*; and this Day, touching the Election for the Borough of *Malmsbury*; *Samuel Shepherd* junior, Esquire, being charged;

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Shepherd* junior do attend this House, in his Place, upon *Monday* Morning next; and that he be then heard, in relation thereunto.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 17<sup>o</sup> die Martii;*

*13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi; Anno 1700-1.*

#### PRAYERS.

Node's  
Estate.

A BILL for vesting a certain Messuage, and Lands, in *Stevenage*, in the County of *Hertford*, the Estate of *Richard Nodes*, in Trustees, to be sold, for making a Provision for his Wife and Children, equal to the Provision secured to them out of the Estate, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Workhouse  
Offences.

Mr. *Hoblyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the more speedy Punishment of certain Offences in Work-houses, or Houses of Correction, erected, or to be erected, by Act of Parliament, for the better Relief of the Poor: And the same was received.

Clarges'  
Estate.

A Petition of Sir *Walter Clarges* Baronet, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Sir *Tho. Clarges*, the Petitioner's Father, was seised in Fee of a Piece of Ground in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*, abutting on the Way from *Pickadilly* to *Hyde Park*; was prevailed upon by *Thomas Neale* Esquire to convey the Inheritance thereof to him, upon Pretence that he would lay out 10,000*l.* in building on the Premises, and pay 100*l.* a Year Rent Charge; with a Power of Re-entry, in case of Arrear 21 Days; and 5*s.* per diem, *nomine pænæ*, for every Day the same should be behind: And Mr. *Neale* entered on the Premises, and held the same, as Waste Ground, for about 10 Years; and then died insolvent, leaving about 800*l.* Rent due to the Petitioner, and very much indebted to other Persons: That the Petitioner lately entered on the Premises; but can make no Profit thereof, nor will any Person lay out any Money in improving the same, without the Aid of an Act of Parliament, to quiet against the Heirs and Creditors of Mr. *Neale*, who, as the Case now stands, may, upon Payment of the Petitioner's Rent, avoid his entry, and defeat the Person that shall adventure to lay out their Estates on the Premises: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Petitioner to dispose of the said Piece of Ground, discharged of the said Mr. *Neale's* Interest.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Edward Seymour*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Sir *Wm. Coriton*, Mr. *Dolben*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Randyll*, Mr. *Mountstevens*, Sir *John Levison Gower*,  
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Mr. *Hamond*, Mr. *Bridges*, Doctor *Davenant*, Mr. *Kemp*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Chr. Hales*, Sir *Edw. Turner*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Bridgman*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Dyett*, Sir *Hum. Mackworth*, Mr. *Tredenham*; and all that serve for the City of *Westminster*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the erecting a Work-house in the Town of *King's Lynn*, in the County of *Norfolk*, for the providing for the Poor there: and that Sir *John Turner*, Sir *Charles Turner*, and Mr. *Walpoole*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary at War do lay before this House an Account of the Vacancies in the Army, and how they have been filled up, since the 25th Day of December 1699.

*Ordered*, That such of the Papers relating to Captain *Kidd's* Piracies, as came from the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, sealed up, be opened.

And the private Examinations of Captain *Kidd*, before the said Commissioners, were opened accordingly, and read.

*Ordered*, That the said Examinations do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Also a Packet, sealed up, was opened, wherein were several other Packets, or Letters, sealed up.

*Ordered*, That the said Packet be again sealed up.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* come *Sevensnight*, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill to resume the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the Sixth Day of February 1684; and applying them to the Use of the Publick.

The Order of the Day, for Mr. *Samuel Shepherd* junior to attend in his Place, and be heard touching the Matter charged upon him in the Examinations upon *Friday* and *Saturday* last, touching the Elections for the Borough of *Wootton Bassett*, and *Malmsbury*, being read;

And Mr. *Shepherd* junior attending accordingly, in his Place; he expressed himself to the Effect following; viz. That he was sorry he was fallen under the Displeasure of the House: That the House had heard the Evidence, and he should not trouble them any further about it; but should submit himself to the Pleasure of the House, and hoped they would make a favourable Construction of it: That he had a double Affliction upon him; one, in relation to that; and, in the next place, that he should deviate from the Directions of his Father, when he first heard that he was at *Wootton Bassett*: And he submitted to the Pleasure of the House, and hoped he should receive their favourable Censure.

*Ordered*, That *Samuel Shepherd* junior, Esquire, be discharged from being a Member of this House.

The House proceeded in the further Hearing of the Matter of the Charge against *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire.

And the Counsel for making good the Charge against him, and the Counsel for him, were called in, and heard: And divers Witnesses were examined, both against and for him, touching the Election for the Borough of *Andover*, in the County of *Southampton*.

And then they withdrew.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Franklyn* and Sir *Lacon William Child*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords do desire, That this House will give Leave to Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, a Member of this House, to

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come

Lynn Work-house.

Vacancies in the Army.

Kidd's Piracies.

Supply Bill; Resumption of Grants.

Mr. S. Shepherd, jun. discharged from being a Member.

Charge of Bribery against Mr. Shepherd a Member.

Lords desire Leave for a Member to attend them.



come to a Committee of the Lords, now sitting in the Prince's Lodgings, to give an Account of some Matters relating to the Treaty of Partition, which their Lordships have now under Consideration.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Secretary *Vernon* have Leave to go to the Lords, as desired, if he think fit.

And the Messengers were called in again; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

Charge of  
Bribery  
against Mr.  
Shepherd a  
Member.

Then the Counsel were called in, and further heard.

And then they withdrew.

And Mr. *Shepherd* was heard in his Place.

And then he withdrew.

A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That some of the Electors of the Borough of *Andover*, in the County of *Southampton*, have endeavoured corruptly to set to Sale the Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough;

An Amendment was proposed to be made, by leaving out "some of:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed upon by the House.

*Resolved*, That the Electors of the Borough of *Andover*, in the County of *Southampton*, have endeavoured corruptly to set to Sale the Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough.

*Resolved*, That the Lending of Money, upon any Security, to a Corporation which sends Members to Parliament, and remitting the Interest of the same, with Intent to influence the Election of such Corporation, is an unlawful and dangerous Practice.

*Resolved*, That the further Consideration of the Matter of the Charge against *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, be adjourned until To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Shepherd* senior do attend this House, in his Place, To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That all such Persons as were ordered or summoned to attend this Day, and have not been examined and heard, do attend again To-morrow Morning.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis*, 18<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi; Anno 1700-1.

#### PRAYERS.

Petition from  
Cornwall.

A PETITION of the High Sheriff, Justices of the Peace, Gentlemen, Freeholders, and Inhabitants, of the County of *Cornwall*, was presented to the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be read upon Thursday Morning next.

Lestwithiel  
Election.

*Ordered*, That *George Booth* Esquire, be at Liberty to withdraw his Petition touching the Election for the Borough of *Lestwithiel*, in the County of *Cornwall*.

Blackwell-  
hall Market

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Members who are to prepare, and bring in, the Bill for making more effectual the Act to restore the Market at *Blackwell-hall* to the Clothiers there, That they do take care to prevent Abuses of buying and selling again of Blankets, Shags, and Duffells, in the said Market of *Blackwell-hall*; and that the Manufactures, when bought, be removed within a certain Time to be prefixed: And that Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, Sir *Edward Norris*, Sir *Robert Jenkinson*, and Mr. *Rowney*, be added to the Members who are to prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Woollen  
Manufac-  
ture.

A Petition of the Merchants, Clothiers, and others, Traders in the Woollen Manufacture, in and about the Town of *Wakefield* in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Exportation of Wool is of very bad consequence

to all Dealers in the Woollen Manufactures; for the Preventing whereof, Commissioners were appointed by an Act of Parliament, made in the First Year of his Majesty's Reign, to put the Laws in Execution against the Exportation of Wool; who took upon them the said Trust, and deputed several Officers in several Parts of the Kingdom, who were very diligent in their Places, and hindered the Exportation of Wool, in great measure; but, by reason there was no Provision made, by the said Act, to recompense the Commissioners for their Pains and Charges, which were very great, they are discouraged and disabled from proceeding in the said Service: And praying, That, for the better Encouragement of the said Commissioners, and their Officers, some Provision may be made for them, in such manner as shall be thought fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws in being, in relation to the Woollen Manufacture.

Mr. *Yates* reported, from the Committee, to whom the Petitions of the Goldsmiths in the Cities of *Exon*, *Chester*, and *Norwich*, were referred, the Matter as it appeared to them; with the Resolution of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

That the Committee having considered of the several Petitions to them referred, do find the Allegations therein contained to be true; and that the Petitioners, and other Workers in Silver, not residing in or near the City of *London*, do lie under very great Hardships, and cannot exercise their Trades since the making of the late Act for encouraging the Bringing in of Wrought Plate to be coined.

Whereupon the Committee came to this Resolution;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Wardens and Assay-masters be appointed, in those Cities where the Mints were lately erected for recoining the Money of this Kingdom, for Assaying of Plate, according to the present Standard; and for affixing the *Britannia* Mark on all wrought Plate: And that the Goldsmiths, and Workers in Silver, be under such Rules and Regulations, as may prevent all Abuses and Corruptions therein.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, that Wardens and Assay-masters be appointed, in those Cities where the Mints were lately erected for recoining the Money of this Kingdom, for Assaying of Plate, according to the present Standard; and for affixing the *Britannia* Mark on all wrought Plate: And that the Goldsmiths, and Workers of Silver, be under such Rules and Regulations, as may prevent all Abuses and Corruptions therein.

*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in, upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. *Yates* and Mr. *Shackerly* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Tuesday Morning next, take into Consideration the Report from the Commissioners of Accounts.

Report from  
Commission-  
ers of Ac-  
counts.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That he had a Message to deliver to the House, from his Majesty, signed by him: And he presented the same to the House; And the same was read by Mr. Speaker; and is as followeth; viz.

WILLIAM R.

HIS Majesty having directed Mr. *Stanhope*, his Envoy Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at the *Hague*, to enter into Negotiations in Concert with the States General of the *United Provinces*, and other Potentates, for the mutual Security of *England* and *Holland*, and the Preservation of the Peace of *Europe*, according to an Address of this House to that Effect; and the said Mr. *Stanhope* having transmitted to his Majesty Copies of the Demands made by himself, and the Deputies of the States, upon that Subject, to the *French* Ambassador there; his Majesty

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has thought fit to communicate the same to you; it being his Majesty's gracious Intention to acquaint you, from time to time, with the State and Progress of those Negotiations, into which he has entered, pursuant to your Address abovementioned.

Kensington, the 17th  
of March, 1702.

The said Copies were read by the Clerk; and are as follow; viz.

The Copy of Proposals made to the French Ambassador, by Mr. Stanhope.

Translation.

Whereas his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the Lords the States General of the *United Provinces*, concluded, on the 25th of the Month March, of the last Year 1700, a Treaty of Partition with his most Christian Majesty, for preventing Troubles and a new War, which there was great Reason to apprehend, upon the Death of the King of *Spain* without Issue; and that, amongst other Things, the chief Prospect of the high Contractors in this Affair was, to preserve the Peace and general Tranquillity of *Europe*, and to establish the particular Security of his Majesty's Kingdoms; it is manifest, That although his most Christian Majesty has thought fit to accept the Will of the late King of *Spain*, departing from the Partition: yet his Majesty of *Great Britain* ought not to lose the Effect of that Treaty; but should obtain, at least, the Intention of the Treaty; to wit, the Peace, and general Tranquillity, and his particular Security, by some Equivalent, or other Means: And, to this End, Mr. Stanhope, the King of *Great Britain*'s Envoy Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the said States General, is ordered to propose to the Count *D'Avaux*, his most Christian Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, the following Points and Articles:

That, to preserve the Peace, and general Tranquillity, upon which a great Part of the particular Security of the King of *Great Britain*'s Dominions depends, his Imperial Majesty shall be invited to enter into this Negotiation; and that he be contented, and have reasonable Satisfaction given him, for his Pretensions to the Succession of *Spain*; which were regulated by the Treaty of Partition: And that his Imperial Majesty shall be admitted and included in the Treaty, which the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, shall make with the most Christian King, and the Crown of *Spain*:

That his most Christian Majesty, within a certain time limited, and that as short as possible can be agreed on, shall withdraw all Troops from the *Spanish Netherlands*, without leaving any of them there; and that it shall not be lawful for him ever to send them thither again; but that, for the future, there shall be kept in the said *Spanish Netherlands*, except in the Places of Surety, which shall be mentioned in the following Article, only *Spanish* and *Walloon* Troops, or of the Countries in Subjection to the *Spanish* Monarchy, exclusive of all others, under the Oath, and in the Pay of *Spain*; and not any Troops of his most Christian Majesty, directly or indirectly: Provided nevertheless, That it shall and may be lawful for the King of *Great Britain*, and the Lords the States General, to send some of their Troops for the Defence of the said *Netherlands*, when they shall be thereto required:

That, for the particular Security of the Dominions of the King of *Great Britain*, the Towns of *Ostend* and *Newport* shall be yielded up, and entrusted to his Majesty's sole Custody, together with their Ports, Castles, and Citadels, and all the Forts and Works of the Fortifications thereto belonging, all in the Condition they now are; with Power to put in, and keep there, such Garisons, either of his own Troops, or those of his Allies, whom his Majesty should require for that Purpose, and as he shall find convenient; And that it shall not be lawful for *France* or *Spain* to put the least Garison therein; or to raise behind, or round about, the said Towns, Ports, and Fortresses, any other Forts, Lines, or Works of Fortification; or to do any thing whatsoever, that may

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occasion any Prejudice to the Guard of the said Towns and Fortresses, and hinder the Effect thereof:

That it shall be in the Power of the King of *Great Britain* to augment, lessen, and change the Garisons of the said Towns and Fortresses, as often as he shall think fit; and to send thither Victuals, Ammunition, Arms, Materials for Fortifications, and generally whatever shall be thought fit and necessary for the Service of the Garisons and Fortifications, without being hindered in the least, either by Sea or Land, directly or indirectly:

That the King of *Great Britain* shall have the full Command and Authority over the said Towns, Ports, Castles, and Fortresses; where he shall have Garisons and Commanders, such as he shall think fit, saving, and without Prejudice to, the Rights and Revenues of the Crown of *Spain* over and in the said Towns:

That, moreover, it shall be lawful for the King of *Great Britain* to fortify, and repair the Fortifications of, the said Towns, Ports, and Fortresses, as he shall judge fitting; and, generally, to do every thing which he shall find necessary for their Defence:

That no Kingdoms, Provinces, Towns, Territories, or Places belonging to the Crown of *Spain*, as well within as without *Europe*, and, especially, no Towns, Places, or Lands of the *Spanish Netherlands*, shall be yielded or transferred; neither shall they devolve or come to the Crown of *France*, by Gift, Purchase, Exchange, Contract of Marriage, Succession by Will, or *ab intestato*, or by any other Title whatsoever; and that they shall not any way be subjected to the Power, or be under the Authority, of the most Christian King:

That in the States and Kingdoms of the *Spanish* Monarchy, as well within as without *Europe*, and consequently in the *Spanish Netherlands* also, the Subjects of the King of *Great Britain* shall remain in the Enjoyment of all the Privileges, Rights, Freedoms, and other Advantages, as well in respect of their Navigation, Commerce, and free Use of Ports, as in any other Thing which they have, or ought to have enjoyed, till the Death of the late King of *Spain*; so that every Thing whatsoever, except what shall be otherwise agreed on by the Treaty to be made, shall be left in the Condition it was, at the Time of the late King of *Spain*'s Death:

That all the Treaties of Peace and Commerce, and other Conventions between *England* and *Spain*, shall be renewed, or taken to be renewed, in such manner as shall be agreed on, so far forth, as they shall not be altered by the Treaty that shall be made:

Further, That the Subjects of the King of *Great Britain* shall enjoy, in all the Kingdoms, Dominions, Towns, Places, Bays, and Harbours, of the Crown of *Spain*, within and without *Europe*, the same Privileges, Rights, and Franchises, as also all the Immunities and Advantages, which the Subjects of the most Christian King, or any other Princes or Potentates, do enjoy; as well as those that shall be granted them, and which they shall enjoy for the future:

That, on the Part of *France* and *Spain*, a solemn Promise shall be made, of the strict Observation of all these Points in general, and of every one of them in particular:

That that Treaty which shall be made on that Subject, shall have the Guaranty of such Kings, Princes, and Potentates, as either of the high Contractors shall desire; and that in the firmest manner that they can invent, and agree on:

All this with a Reservation to amplify those Points in the Negotiation, as far as shall be thought necessary for the Explanation of the true Sense and Intention thereof; as also to prevent all manner of Dispute.

The Translation of the Resolution of the States General, for treating with Mr. *D'Avaux*, 22° March 1702.

Extract out of the Register of the Resolutions of the High and Mighty Lords the States General of the *United Provinces*.

Tuesday,

Papers  
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Tuesday, the 22 March 1701.

The Report of the *Heer Van Essen*, and other the States General, Deputies for the Foreign Affairs, was read: Whereupon, and according to their Resolution of the 11th Instant, importing a Commission, they have weighed and deliberated, how, and in what manner, they should proceed in the Negotiation, which they were to enter upon with Count *D'Avaux*, the French King's Ambassador Extraordinary, concerning the general Peace, and the Safety of their State: And, after due Consideration, it was resolved, That, in Concert with Mr. *Stanhope*, his Majesty of Great Britain's Envoy Extraordinary, the following Points should be proposed, in a Conference, to the said Count *D'Avaux*:

Whereas the King of Great Britain, and the States General of the United Provinces, have concluded a Treaty of Partition with the French King, on the 25th of March 1700, in order to prevent Troubles and Disturbances which might arise about the Succession of the late King of *Spaine*, in case he should die without Children; and that therein, amongst other Things, the chief Aim of the Parties concerned was, the Preservation of the general Quiet and Peace of *Europe*, and the particular Safety of this State: Wherefore it is evident, That the French King, by accepting the Will of the King of *Spaine*, as contrary to the aforesaid Treaty, cannot deny the States General the Effect of the aforesaid Treaty; but that, at least, by some Equivalent, or other Means, he ought to make good what they proposed to themselves by the said Treaty; viz. the aforesaid general Quiet and Peace, and particularly the Safety of this State: And therefore the States General do require, That, in order to establish the general Quiet and Peace, in which consists chiefly their Safety, the Emperor ought to have reasonable Satisfaction and Content given him, in his Pretensions about the Succession of *Spaine*, which were regulated in the aforesaid Treaty of Partition; and that he may be admitted and included in the Treaty which *England* and *Holland* is to make with *France* and *Spaine*; and consequently to be invited to this Negotiation:

That the King of *France* shall, within such time as shall be agreed on, draw his Troops out of the *Spanish Netherlands*, and not to leave any of them there, or send any thither at any time hereafter; but that, for the future, there shall be in the said *Spanish Netherlands*, except such Places named for Security in the following Articles, no other Troops, but what are either *Spaniards*, *Walloons*, or of the *Low Countries*, being under Command of the King of *Spaine*, and belonging only to him, and having taken an Oath to him, and being in his Pay; and no *French*, either directly or indirectly; but if the King of *Spaine* shall desire any Troops of *England* or *Holland*, for the Defence of the same, they shall be admitted:

That, for the particular Safety and Tranquillity of the States, there shall be delivered unto them, and they shall take Possession of, the Towns, Places, and Forts, of *Venlo*, *Roermonde*, *Steevenswaardt*, *Luxembourg*, *Namur*, *Charleroy*, *Mons*, *Dendermonde*, *Damme*, and *St. Donaas*, with the Castles of the said Towns and Places belonging, together with all the Forts, Fortifications, and Works, about or near them, in the same Condition as they now are; and they shall have Power to put and keep in them such Garisons, both of their own Troops, and their Allies, as they shall think fit; and that neither *France* nor *Spaine* shall, in the least, put any military Forces into the said Towns; and shall not raise any Forts or Strong-holds about or near the said Towns, Places, Castles, and Forts; nor shall do any thing that may in any-wise hinder or lessen the Effect of the aforesaid Possession:

That the States General shall have Liberty to augment, diminish, or change, their respective Garisons in the aforesaid Towns, Places, Castles, and Forts, as they shall judge proper; and to send thither Provision, Ammunition, Arms, Materials for Fortifications, and all that shall be useful and necessary for the said Garisons and Fortifications; and that, for transporting the same, and

the said Garisons, there shall always be a free Passage through the *Spanish Territories*, and over their Rivers, both going and coming, without the least Hindrance or Molestation, either directly or indirectly:

That the States General shall have the full Command over such Towns, Places, Castles, and Forts, into which they have put Garisons, under such Governors and Commanders as they shall think fit; so that it be not any Prejudice to their former Rights, Privileges, and Revenues of the King of *Spaine*, in those Towns and Places:

Further, That the States shall have Power to fortify the aforesaid Towns, Places, Castles, and Forts, in their Possession; and to repair the Fortifications thereof; and to do all and all manner of Things which they shall think fitting for their Defence:

That no Dominions, Provinces, Towns, Territories, or Places belonging to the Crown of *Spaine*, within or without *Europe*, and particularly not any Towns, Places, or Countries, of the *Spanish Netherlands*, shall be given up, or delivered to, or shall devolve or come to the Crown of *France*, either by way of Gift, Sale, Exchange, Marriage, Inheritance, or Will, or *ab intestato*, or by what Title soever; nor shall the same, any otherwise whatsoever, be put under the Command or Jurisdiction of *France*:

That the Subjects and Inhabitants of the States shall continue to enjoy all such Rights, Privileges, and Immunities, and other Advantages, in the Dominions and Territories of *Spaine*, in, and out of *Europe*, as also in the *Spanish Netherlands*, in the Navigation, Commerce, and Freedom of the Ports, and all others, which they have enjoyed, or should have enjoyed, till the Death of the late King of *Spaine*; and consequently, that all Things whatsoever, except what shall be otherwise agreed on by the Treaty to be made, shall remain in the same Condition as they were, when the said King of *Spaine* died:

That the Treaty made between *Spaine* and *Holland* at *Munster* in the Year 1648, as also all other Treaties and Conventions, since that, concluded between *Spaine* and *Holland*, shall be renewed in the best manner both Parties can agree upon; so far forth as they shall not be altered by the Treaty to be made:

Further, That the Subjects and Inhabitants of the States shall have and enjoy, in the Countries, Towns, Places, Bays, and Havens, of the Crown of *Spaine*, both within and without *Europe*, the same Privileges, Liberties, and Rights, together with the Immunities and Advantages, as the Subjects and Inhabitants of *France*, or those of other Princes and Potentates, do there enjoy, or hereafter shall be permitted to enjoy:

That the Observation of the aforesaid Points in general, and of each of them in particular, shall be solemnly promised by the Kings of *France* and *Spaine*, their Heirs and Successors:

That the Treaty to be made hereupon shall have the Guaranty of such Kings, Princes, and Potentates, as either Party shall thereto desire; and that in the firmest manner that they can devise:

Reserving to themselves a Power to enlarge the aforesaid Points in the Negotiations, as shall be necessary for a further Explanation of the true Meaning of the same, and to prevent all Differences for the future.

And the *Heer Van Essen*, and other the States Deputies for the foreign Affairs, are hereby desired and commissioned to notify the Premises to Count *D'Avaux*; and enter into Conference and Negotiation with him, concerning the same.

This agrees with the aforesaid Register.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday Morning next, take into Consideration his Majesty's said gracious Message. King's Message to be considered.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Orford*, in the County of *Suffolk*, be made upon this Day Sevensnight. Orford Election.

Resolved,

Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Charge of  
Bribery  
against Mr.  
Shepherd, a  
Member.

The Order of the Day, for the House to consider further of the Matter of the Charge against *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, being read;

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Julius Samborne*, Bailiff of the Borough of *Andover*, in the County of *Southampton*, having been concerned in corruptly exposing to Sale the Election of a Burgess for the said Borough, be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Wimbleton*, having been concerned in corruptly exposing to Sale the Election of a Burgess for the said Borough of *Andover*, be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Wareham*, having been concerned in corruptly exposing to Sale the Election of a Burgess for the said Borough of *Andover*, be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That *Francis Shepherd* Esquire do attend this House in his Place, To-morrow Morning; and be then heard, touching the Matter charged upon him, in relation to the Election for the said Borough of *Andover*.

Ditto.

The House, according to Order, proceeded in the further Hearing of the Matter of the Charge against *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire.

And the Counsel for making good the Charge against him, and also the Counsel for him, were called in; and heard: And divers Witnesses, both against and for him, were examined, touching the Election for the Borough of *Newport*, in the County of *Southampton*.

And then they withdrew.

And Mr. *Shepherd*, attending in his Place, was heard.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, is guilty of notorious Bribery, in obtaining his Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Newport*, in the County of *Southampton*.

The several other Resolutions of the House, against the said Mr. *Shepherd* senior, being read; which are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, is guilty of several unwarrantable and indirect Practices, in order to obtain an Election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bramber*, in the County of *Sussex*;

*Resolved*, That *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, is guilty of sending out of the Way a Witness, and endeavouring to suppress Evidence, touching Matters under Examination of this House;

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, is guilty of endeavouring, by Bribery and corrupt Practices, to procure an Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Wooton Bassett*, in the County of *Wilts*;

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, is guilty of procuring an Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*, by Bribery and Corruption;

Mr. Shepherd committed to the Tower.

*Ordered*, That the said *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, be committed Prisoner to his Majesty's Tower of *London*: And that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrants accordingly.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, take into Consideration, how they will further proceed with relation to the Crimes, whereof *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, stands convicted before this House.

Another person committed to Newgate.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *Glover*, Agent to *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, hath been guilty of corrupt and indirect Practices, in the procuring the Election of the said *Samuel Shepherd* senior,

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Esquire, to be a Burgess for the said Borough of *Newport*, in the County of *Southampton*.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Glover* be, for the said Offence, committed Prisoner to his Majesty's Prison of *Newgate*: And that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrants accordingly.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 19° die Martii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1700-1.

#### PRAYERS.

**A**PETITION of the Lords, Owners, and Commoners, of the several Towns of *Pinchbeck*, *Spalding*, *Cowbutt*, and *Crowland*, near adjacent to the Fens called *Deeping Fens*, in the County of *Lincolne*, on the behalf of themselves, and other the Lords, Owners, and Commoners thereof, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by an Act of Parliament, made in the 16th and 17th Years of the Reign of King *Charles* the 2d, several Persons were appointed for draining the said Fens; and a Part thereof was allotted to the Undertakers, as a Recompence for their Charge and Trouble therein: That of late, several Differences have happened between the Undertakers, and the Lords, Owners, and Commoners, in the said Towns, to the great Loss of all Parties concerned; to end which, they referred the Matter to several Arbitrators, who unanimously made their Award in Writing; which, by reason of the Numbers of Persons, and different Interests in the said Fens, cannot have its due Effect: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to confirm and enforce the Performance of the said Award; and for the more effectual Draining of the said Fens.

Deeping Fens Drainage.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *John Thorold*, Mr. *Dymock*, and Mr. *Charles Bertie*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Christopher Wren* do survey this House, and consider what may be done for the letting the Air into the House, for the Conveniency of the Members; and report his Opinion thereupon to the House.

Ventilating the House.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Sir *Robert Marsham* Knight and Baronet to dispose of Lands in *Hertfordshire*; and to settle other Lands, of better Value, in *Kent*, to the same Uses as the Lands in *Hertfordshire* are settled; was read a Second time.

Marsham's Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Brewer*, Sir *Humph. Forster*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Offley*, Sir *Edw. Turner*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Major *Holmes*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Cooper*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Blofield*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Walmsly*, Mr. *Dryden*, Mr. *Hopkins*, Mr. *Marks*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Mountague*, Sir *John Kay*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *England*, Sir *John Thorold*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Freke*, Sir *Tho. May*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Hertford* and *Kent*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for erecting an Hospital and Work-house at *Ashford*, in the County of *Kent*; and for the better Employment and Maintenance of the Poor: And that Mr. *Brewer* and Mr. *Meredeth* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Ashford Workhouse.

A Petition of several Non-commission Officers and Soldiers, to the Number of about 200 Persons, of the Three *French* Regiments of Foot, who served in the late

Army Arrears.

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War



War in *Ireland* and *Flanders*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That after Disbanding of the said Regiments, upon the Petition of the Petitioners to the Treasury, which was referred to the Lord *Coningsby*, he reported, That the Petitioners had no Accounts made up by their Captains; and the Captains say, They cannot get Accounts from the Colonels, according to the Directions of a late Act of Parliament, they have placed so many unwarrantable Deductions on the Head of Subsistence, that the Petitioners, and the Captains, Arrears are reduced to little or nothing; whereupon the Petitioners applied to the Commissioners of Accounts, who sent for the Captains, who owned, that there were Arrears due to the Petitioners, and desired the Commissioners to examine and determine the Accounts between them and the Colonels; but the Commissioners finding, that the said Regiments could not expect Debentures, being disbanded, and paid by the Government, they thought themselves not authorized to meddle therewith; so that the Petitioners remain remediless, in great Distress, for want of their just Dues; nor have they had any Consideration for their Cloathing, Two Years wanting: And praying, That the House will take their Case into Consideration, and relieve them therein.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, to examine the Matter of the said Petition; and report the Fact to this House.

Rosell's  
Estate.

A Petition of *Ann Rosell*, the Widow and Relict of *Gervas Rosell* Esquire, deceased, and Mother and Guardian of *Gervas Rosell*, an Infant, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Thomas Rosell*, the Petitioner's Husband's Father, being seised in Fee of several Lands in *Nottinghamshire*, of about 250 *l.* per Annum, did, by his Will, devise the same to Trustees, for Payment of Debts, and raising above 2,600 *l.* for his younger Childrens Portions, they being all now living: That, *Thomas* dying, the said Premises descended to the said *Gervas*, who likewise subjected the same to the Payment of his Debts; and further, for answering a Jointure to the Petitioners, and for Maintenance of, and Portions for, his Two Daughters, to be ascertained by Trustees, named in his Will: That the said Lands are frequently overflowed by the River *Trent*, which breaks down the Banks, and requires a considerable Sum to keep the same, and Waterworks, in Repair; for the doing whereof, and discharging other Branches of the said Trust, the acting Trustee took up, at Interest, several Sums of Money upon the Premises, and died, leaving the same unpaid, and without appointing any Maintenance, or Portions, for the Daughters of the said *Gervas*; and the Trust is now vested in his Second Son, who is young, unable to manage, and refuses to act, or receive the Rents, and has actually released the said Trust; and the said Estate will soon be swallowed up with Interest, and other incident Charges; so that the Petitioner, and the Children of *Thomas* and *Gervas Rosell*, must be inevitably ruined, unless relieved by an Act of Parliament: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for vesting the said Estate, or so much thereof as will pay off the Debts and Incumbrances to which the same is liable, and make Provision for the Daughters of the said *Gervas*, in Trustees, to be sold for the Purposes aforesaid.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that the Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, and Mr. *Leigh*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Darwent  
Navigation.

Mr. *Palmes*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for making the River *Darwent*, in the County of *York*, navigable: And the same was received. The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Southwark  
Small Debts.

A Petition of the Justices of Peace, Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, and other Housekeepers, and Inhabitants, in the Borough of *Southwark*, &c. was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the

Petitioners are deeply sensible of the Oppressions of the Knight Marshal's Court, and other inferior Courts, to the poorer Sort of People, inhabiting within the said Borough, and other Out Parishes in *Surry*, within the Bills of Mortality, for Debts under 40 *s.*; and that nothing will more contribute to the Benefit of such Inhabitants, than a Court of Conscience, for Recovery of small Debts under 40 *s.*: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for erecting a Court of Conscience for recovering small Debts under 40 *s.* within the Borough of *Southwark*, and out Parishes in *Surry*, within the Bills of Mortality.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Inhabitants within the respective Parishes within the Tower Hamlets, in the County of *Middlesex*, is referred.

A Bill for the better Ease of Sheriffs in Execution of their Offices, and in passing their Accounts, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That the Account of the Deficiencies of Parliamentary Funds since his Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown, which hath been presented to the House, be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the Hearing the Merits of the Election for the Borough of *Steyning*, in the County of *Sussex*, which is appointed to be before the Committee of Privileges and Elections, upon *Tuesday* next, be put off until *Tuesday* Sevensnight.

A Petition of the Merchants, Clothiers, and other Traders in the Woollen Manufacture, in and about the Town of *Leeds*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by an Act of Parliament, made in the First Year of his Majesty's Reign, Commissioners were appointed for putting in Execution the Laws to prevent the Exportation of Wool; who deputed several Officers for that Purpose, that were at great Pains and Charges in prosecuting Offenders, and otherwise, in Discharge of their said Trust; and, as yet, have received little or no Reward for the same; and that, unless some Provision be made for the better Encouragement of the said Commissioners, and their Officers, they will necessarily be forced to desist in the further Prosecution of their said Trust, to the great Loss of the Petitioners, and all other Traders in the Woollen Manufactures: And praying, That Provision may be made for the better Encouragement of the said Commissioners, and the more effectual preventing the Exportation of Wool.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws in being, in relation to the Woollen Manufacture.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do inquire into the Proceedings of the said Commissioners for preventing the Exportation of Wool, and their Officers; and report the same to the House.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners for preventing the Exportation of Wool, do lay before this House an Account of the Seizures made by them, and their Officers.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Freke*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Meredeth*, Mr. *Clark*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Blofield*, Sir *Tho. Hales*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Ludgate* Prisoners is referred.

A Petition of *Charles Bodville*, Earl of *Radnor*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That this House having ordered *William Lenthall* Esquire to be heard, by Counsel, on *Saturday* next, in relation to his Interest in the *King's Bench* Prison; and the Concerns which Mr. *Lenthall* has therein, being mortgaged to the Petitioner; he prays, That he may be likewise heard, by his Counsel, at the same time.

*Ordered*,



*Ordered*, That the Earl of *Radnor* be heard, by his Counsel, at the Bar of this House, according to the Prayer of the said Petition.

Income and  
Issues of  
Public Re-  
venues.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lowndes* do lay before this House an Account of the Incomes and Issues of the Publick Revenue, and of the Produce of the Funds appropriated to the Civil List, and the Application thereof, from *Michaelmas* 1699, to *Christmas* 1699, and from thence to *Christmas* 1700.

Duchy of  
Lancaster  
Revenue.

*Ordered*, That the Chancellor, and other Officers, of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, do lay before this House an Account of all the Revenues of that Duchy, and the Incomes, and Issues, and Application thereof.

List of  
English Am-  
bassadors.

*Ordered*, That a List be laid before this House, by the principal Secretaries of State, of the Names of all the Ambassadors, Envoys, and Ministers, for the Crown of *England*, in foreign Courts.

State of the  
Nation.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* come Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the State of the Nation.

Charge of  
Bribery  
against Mr.  
F. Shepherd,  
a Member.

The Order for *Francis Shepherd* Esquire to attend in his Place, and be heard, touching the Matters charged upon him, in relation to the Election for the Borough of *Andover*, being read;

And Mr. *Shepherd* attending accordingly, in his Place; he expressed himself to the Effect following; *viz.* That if he had done any thing whereby to fall under the Displeasure of the House, he was sorry for it; and desired a favourable Construction: That it does not any way appear by the Evidence, that he is any way guilty of Bribery, to corrupt the Electors, or any other Person: That he did not think of Standing, till it was offered to him: And he hoped the House would not think him guilty of Bribery; and submitted himself entirely to the House.

And then he withdrew.

Discharged  
from being a  
Member.

*Ordered*, That *Francis Shepherd* Esquire be discharged from being a Member of this House.

Another  
Person  
committed.

*Resolved*, That it hath appeared to this House, That Mr. *John Hassam* is guilty of corrupt and indirect Practices to procure an Election of *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, to be a Burgess for the Borough of *Newport*, in the County of *Southampton*.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *John Hassam* be, for his said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Sir Edward  
Seymour  
thanked.

*Resolved*, That Sir *Edward Seymour* Baronet hath made good his general Charge against *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, of Bribery and Corruption, in several Boroughs that send Members to Parliament.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the Thanks of this House be given to Sir *Edward Seymour* Baronet, a Member of this House, for the great Service he hath done the Publick, in detecting the Bribery and Corruption, which hath been practised in the Elections of several Members to serve in this present Parliament.

And Mr. Speaker gave him the Thanks of the House accordingly, as followeth; *viz.*

Sir *Edward Seymour*,

The House has had a long Examination of several corrupt Practices, tending to the Destruction of the Constitution: They are sensible the Discovery thereof is owing to your Resolution, to your Love of the Publick; and is brought about at your Charge, and by your Conduct.

'Tis an Honour, Sir, to you, that you are descended from Ancestors, who have been successful in commanding Armies and Fleets of this Kingdom, and from a Protector of the Realm: But 'tis your personal Honour, that you have protected even the Constitution of this Place.

As the House has expressed their Zeal and Indignation against those who have endeavoured to undermine and ruin the Foundation of our Liberties; so they are desirous, at the same time, that your Name may stand upon Record, as being the Means, by which 'tis brought about:

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Therefore they have commanded, That the Thanks of this House be given to you, for the great Service you have done the Publick, in detecting the Bribery and Corruption, which hath been practised in the Elections of several Members to serve in this present Parliament.

Whereupon Sir *Edward Seymour* spoke to the Effect following; *viz.*

Mr. Speaker,

The Honour I have received this Day, is sufficient to gratify the greatest Ambition, and the greatest Endeavours any Man is capable of, in order to the public Service, which was the only Inducement that occasioned me to undertake it: And I am extraordinary happy, that Success has crowned my Endeavours so far, as to entitle them to your Approbation: I must say, that I am indebted to several particular worthy Gentlemen, who have given their Assistance in this Matter; and that the great Honour you have been pleased to do me this Day, will be so great an Ornament to my Escutcheon, that it will wait upon me to my Grave.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Supply. Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* next, after his Majesty's gracious Message considered, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 20° die Martii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1700-1.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Deputy Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Gentlemen, Traders, and Inhabitants, of the Hamlets and Liberty of the *Tower of London*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Poor within the said Hamlets and Liberties are of late Years become very numerous, and burdensome to the rest of the Inhabitants; and are likely to increase, if not prevented by such Means as may put some Stop to the same, by discouraging Idleness and Debauchery amongst them, and rendering the able Poor serviceable to the common Good, in employing them at Work, under sufficient Authorities to compel them thereto: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for erecting Hospitals and Work-houses, or Houses of Correction, in the said Hamlets and Liberty; and for the good governing the same, and employing the Poor there.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Henry Johnson*, and Mr. *Mompesson*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

A Petition of *George Tipping* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner had, by *Elizabeth*, his late Wife, One Daughter, their only Child; who is seised, in Possession and Reversion, of considerable Estates, of about 375*l.* per Annum, in *Gloucestershire* and *Leicestershire*: That the Petitioner hath Proposals of a considerable Match for his said Daughter, in or near *London*; and the Person is rather desirous of Money to be laid out in Lands hereabouts, than the said Estates, which lie about 100 Miles from each other; to which the Petitioner is also willing, upon a good Settlement to be made for his Daughter; but, by reason of her Infancy, she being about

Tower  
Hamlets  
Workhouse.

Tipping's  
Estate.

about Fifteen Years of Age, the said Estates cannot be sold without the Aid of an Act of Parliament: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for vesting the said Estates in Trustees, in order to the Sale thereof, for a Portion upon such Marriage, and a suitable Settlement made thereupon.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Mompesson*, and Sir *Henry Johnson*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Woollen Ma-  
nufacture.

A Petition of the Masters and Journeymen of the Art and Mystery of Wool-combing, within the Town and Borough of *Chulmleigh*, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That divers Persons, for several Years last past, in *Cholmley*, and the adjacent Parishes, have, and do make it their Endeavours to destroy the said Art of Wool-combing, by the irregular Management of divers Farmers, Shopkeepers, and others, who are of different Trades and Calling; and yet set divers People to Work, that never were bound or served Apprenticeships to the said Art, as the Law directs, under feigned Pretences of employing the Poor; although, by it greater Poverty ensues; they giving little or no Money for their Labour, only Goods and Commodities, at their own Rates; by Means whereof, the Petitioners Trade is undervalued, and under-sold by such Interlopers in Trade; so that the Master Workmen cannot subsist, and the Journeymen can scarce get Bread; and must unavoidably be brought to extreme Want, if not speedily relieved by some good Law for the better regulating the said Art; which may be a great Improvement to the Woollen Manufacture, and a Means to employ the Poor in general: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to redress the Inconveniences arising by Persons exercising the Art and Mystery of Wool-combing, who have not served their Apprenticeships therein.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws in being, relating to the Woollen Manufacture;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the Petition be rejected.

Deale  
Waterworks.

A Bill for furnishing the Town of *New Deale* with fresh Water, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Robert Davers*, Sir *Humph. Mackworth*, Sir *Edmund Bacon*, Mr. *Brewer*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Herne*, Mr. *Proby*, Sir *Cha. Barrington*, Mr. *Chetwyn*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Tho. Mackworth*, Mr. *Randyll*, Mr. *North*, Earl of *Disert*, Sir *Cha. Turner*, Mr. *Soames*, Mr. *Mountstevens*, Mr. *Fleming*, Mr. *Holmes*, Sir *John Mor-dant*, Sir *Phil. Boteler*, Lord *Hartington*, Mr. *Champnyes*, Sir *Henry Johnson*, Mr. *Blyse*, Sir *Tho. Hales*, Sir *John Parsons*, Mr. *Dryden*, Sir *Edm. Denton*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Trenchard*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Herne*, Mr. *Woodroffe*, Mr. *Vyner*, Mr. *Dyett*, Mr. *Nevill*, Mr. *Brereton*, Sir *Cha. Shuckborough*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Kent* and *Surry*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Clarges' Estate.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tredenham* be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of Sir *Walter Clarges* Baronet is referred.

Petition from Cornwall.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to withdraw the Petition of the High Sheriff, Justices of the Peace, Gentlemen, Freeholders, and Inhabitants, of the County of *Cornwall*.

Kidd's Piracies.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to inspect the Papers delivered in from the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*,

relating to Captain *Kidd*; and to collect and report to the House, what relates to the said Captain *Kidd* therein:

And it is referred to the Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, Sir *Edward Stradling*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *Hamond*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Colonel *Lee*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Mounsteovens*, Earl of *Disert*, Mr. *Jennings*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Jo. Leveson Gower*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Cotton*, Mr. *Walpole*, Sir *John Kay*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Duke*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Paget*, Sir *Humph. Mackworth*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Mr. *Rowney*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Sir *Tho. Hales*, Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Walter Yong*, Mr. *Meredeth*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Mr. *Henley*, Mr. *Soame*, Mr. *Chetwynd*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Winington*, Sir *Jacob Astley*, Mr. *Prideaux*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. *Ogle*, Sir *Henry Johnson*, Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Herne*, Mr. *England*, Colonel *Bierley*, Mr. *Rolt*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *Cha. Turner*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers, and to sit *de die in diem*.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to join with Sir *Christopher Wren*, in surveying this House; and to consider what may be done for the letting in the Air into the House, for the Conveniency of the Members:

Ventilating the House.

And it is referred to Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Arthington*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Bridges*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Mr. *Lownds*.

*Ordered*, That a Bill, or Bills, be brought in, for preventing Bribery and Corruption in Boroughs; and for further regulating Elections of Members to serve in Parliament, upon the Debate of the House:

Regulating Elections.

And it is referred to Sir *Edward Seymour*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Sir *Bartho. Shower*, Mr. *Finch*, Mr. *King*, Sir *Rowl. Gwyn*, Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Colonel *Bierly*, Mr. *Moncton*, Sir *John Kay*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Mr. *Pagit*, Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Prideaux*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Hamond*, Lord *Dysert*, Mr. *England*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Duke*, Mr. *Car*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Henley*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Herne*, Mr. *How*, Sir *John Packington*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Ogle*, Sir *Cha. Turner*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, to prepare, and bring in, the same.

Sir *John Packington*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better Preservation of the Protestant Religion; and for the preventing the Translation of Bishops from one See to another: And the same was received.

Preservation of Protestant Religion.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon this Day Sevensnight.

The House proceeded, according to Order, to the hearing the Merits of the Election for the Borough of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Cornwall*, upon the several Petitions of Sir *Richard Vivian* Baronet, and of the Inhabitants of the said Borough.

Mitchell Election.

And the Counsel were called in; and heard, both for the Petitioners, and for *Antony Row* Esquire, the Sitting Member: And several Witnesses were examined on both Sides.

And then the Counsel withdrew.

And Mr. *Row* was heard in his Place.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That the Right of Election of Members to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Cornwall*, is in the Portreeve, and Lords of the Manor who are capable of being Portreeves, and the Inhabitants of the said Borough paying Scot and Lot.

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The Question being put, That *Antony Row* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Mitchell*;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That Sir *Richard Vivian* Baronet is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Mitchell*.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the Crown do attend this House To-morrow Morning, to amend the Return for the Borough of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Cornwall*, by rasing out the Name of *Antony Row* Esquire, and inserting the Name of Sir *Richard Vivian* Baronet, instead thereof.

Committees. *Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 21° die Martii;*

13° Gulielmi; Anno 1700-1.

#### PRAYERS.

*Mitchell*  
Return  
amended.

THE Clerk of the Crown attended, and amended the Return for the Borough of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Cornwall*, according to Order.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

A Petition of the Court of Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the City of *London* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by a Bill depending in the House, for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, the Petitioners conceive the same will greatly prejudice the said City, if it should pass into a Law, as now penned: And praying, That they may be heard, by their Counsel, what they have to offer in relation to the said Bill, before the same do pass this House.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners be heard, by their Counsel, at the Bar of this House, To-morrow Morning, according to the Prayer of the said Petition.

Lists of  
English Ambassadors.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, according to Order, presented to the House of List of his Majesty's Ambassadors, En-

voys, and Ministers, at foreign Courts in the Southern Province:

And the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Charles* Earl of *Manchester*, Ambassador Extraordinary in *France*.

*William* Lord *Pagett*, Ambassador in *Turkey*.

Sir *William* *Norris*, Ambassador in *India*.

*Paul* *Methwin* Esquire, Envoy Extraordinary in *Portugal*.

Mr. *D. Hercart*, Envoy Extraordinary in *Switzerland*.

Sir *Lambert* *Blackwell*, Envoy Extraordinary at *Florence*.

Mr. *Mermande*, Secretary at *Brussels*.

*William* *Aglionby* Esquire, sent lately to *Spain*.

*Ordered*, That the said List do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges*, according to Order, presented to the House a List of his Majesty's Ministers in Foreign Courts, in the Northern Provinces, the 20th of March 1700:

And the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Alexander* *Stanhope* Esquire, Envoy Extraordinary to the States General, and Plenipotentiary at the *Hague*.

*James* *Cresset* Esquire, Envoy Extraordinary to the Princes of the House of *Lunenburg*, at *Hanover*.

Doctor *John* *Robinson*, Resident in the Court of *Sweden*, at *Stockholme*.

*Hugh* *Gregg* Esquire, Resident in the Court of *Denmark*, at *Copenhagen*.

Mr. *Robert* *Sutton*, at the Emperor's Court, without Character, lately recalled.

*George* *Stepney* Esquire, Envoy Extraordinary to that Court, now on his Way thither.

Mr. *Philip* *Plantamour*, at the Court of the King of *Prussia*, without Character.

*Ordered*, That the said List do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Sir *Henry* *Goodrick*, from the Board of Ordnance, presented to the House, according to Order, an Abstract of the Estimates for securing his Majesty's Harbours, and Dock-yards, at *Chatham*, *Portsmouth*, and *Plymouth*; together with Estimates and Plans for those Purposes: And the Titles thereof were read:

Estimates for  
fortifying  
Harbours  
and Dock-  
yards.

And the Abstract of the Estimates is as followeth; viz.

				£.	s.	d.
<i>Chatham:</i>						
For making a Line to secure his Majesty's Dock-yard there, from Insults	-	-	-	11,536	0	0
<i>Portsmouth:</i>						
For a Line with a Moat about the Dock	-	-	-	15,416	0	0
For deepening the Moat at <i>Gosport</i> , and making Breastworks with Platforms	-	-	-	7,464	18	0
For securing <i>Blockhouse-point</i>	-	-	-	18,093	7	4
For Platforms for 40 Cannon, and a Stone Redoubt, with a Counterscarp, at } <i>Stokesbay</i>	-	-	-	8,441	6	0
For Works at <i>South Sea Castle</i>	-	-	-	6,236	15	0
For Works at <i>Ports Bridge</i>	-	-	-	1,029	15	0
For Guns and Carriages	-	-	-	6,689	1	11
					63,371	3 3
<i>Plymouth.</i>						
For Batteries on <i>St. Nicolas</i> } 19 Guns	-	-	-	2,232	11	0
Island, of - - - } 14 Guns	-	-	-	1,907	3	0
For a Battery of 11 Guns at <i>Stonehedge-point</i>	-	-	-	1,435	9	6
For a Battery of 24 Guns at <i>Mount Edgcomb</i>	-	-	-	3,022	16	6
For Purchase of Land	-	-	-	200	0	0
					8,798	0 0
Total -					83,705	3 3

The Estimates and Plans are bound up with other Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That the said Abstract, Estimates, and Plans, do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

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A Petition of *James* *Mounton*, the First Captain in the *French* Regiment of Foot, lately commanded by Colonel *de Camlon*, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner served the Government during the War of *Ireland*; but could never prevail

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prevail with Mr. Bonniott, Agent of the said Regiment, to come to a fair Account with the Petitioner; so that he is like to be deprived of his just Demands without the Assistance of the House: And praying the Relief of the House against the said Agent.

Ordered, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, to examine the Matters of the said Petition; and state the Fact to this House.

Lady  
Bulkley's  
Estate.

Mr. Vaughan, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Sale of some Houses and Lands in the County of Devon, and City and County of Exon, the Estate of Elizabeth Lady Bulkley, for Payment of Debts, for which the same are mortgaged: And the same was received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Resumption  
of Grants.

A Petition of John Mitchell, John Powney, Charles Aldworth, William Smith, and Richard Topham, Esquires, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, for the Enlarging of Windsor Park, the Petitioners conveyed to his now Majesty certain Frechold and Leasehold Lands; in Consideration whereof his Majesty by Letters Patents, did grant to the Petitioners other Lands in Windsor Parish; which being of something greater Value than the Lands conveyed by the Petitioners, they paid the Overplus in Money: And praying, That they may have proper Savings inserted in the Bill to resume the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Creditors on  
deficient  
Funds.

A Petition of the Proprietors of the Tallies on the First Three Shillings Aid, Third Quarterly Poll, and other deficient Funds, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by the late Act for Sale of the forfeited and other Estates in Ireland, there was a Provision intended for Payment of the Petitioners Debts, due upon the said Funds, out of the said Irish Estates; but, as they conceive, the Monies due thereupon cannot be thereby sufficiently answered, if the Monies arising thereby be applied to the Payment of the Army Debentures, and Transports, and other Debts, to which they are also appropriated: And praying, That effectual Provision may be made for the Petitioners Security.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of John Oliver, and others, on behalf of themselves, and all others, that served in the Regiment of Horse, commanded by the Honourable Colonel Francis Langston, in the Reducing of Ireland, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That in 1688, his Majesty, of his Bounty, gave to each Man in the said Regiment 31 Days full Pay, which was paid them, and afterwards stopt out of their Subsistence; and in 1692, they received another Bounty from the Queen; which is since charged as Part of their Subsistence: That, in 1692, the Regiment was broke; and the Colonel hath signed a full Discharge, in the Pay Office, for the said Regiment, entire to the 1st of April 1692; and hath cleared with the Commission Officers for their own Pay, and accounted with his own Troop, and paid them in Part, and gave a Note under his Hand for the rest: That the Petitioners, who were in the Five other Troops, have had no manner of Account, either from the Colonel or Captains, though all possible Endeavours have been used to obtain the same by their several Complaints to this House, and Application to the Commissioners of Accounts: And praying, That they may be relieved in their just Complaints, by such means as the House shall . . . most proper and

expedient; the said Colonel designing to go for Ireland, very speedily.

Ordered, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, to examine the Matter of the said Petition; and to report the Fact to this House.

A Petition of several Troopers, late belonging to Captain De la Fond's Troop, when Major to Colonel Windsor's Regiment of Horse, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Major hath made several unwarrantable Deductions out of the Petitioners Subsistence, amounting to 14*l*. a Man, besides the Off-reckonings, and Horses detained at Disbanding; for all which the Petitioners cannot obtain any Satisfaction, though often demanded; and praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

Ordered, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, to examine the Matters of the said Petition; and report the Fact to the House.

A Petition of the Clothiers of his Majesty's Army was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are possessed of certain Army Debentures for their Debts, made out by the Commissioners of Accounts; which Debentures are to be satisfied by Sale of the forfeited Estates in Ireland: And the Petitioners ought thereby to have been paid before this time, or have had Liberty of purchasing the said Estates; but, as yet, they have not received their Debentures for the greatest Part of their Debts, nor Power of purchasing the said Estates; and the said Debentures, carrying no Interest, are at a very great Discount; whereby the Petitioners Credits and Stocks are under great Hardships: And praying, That such as have not received Debentures may be relieved touching the same; and that on all the Debentures there may be such an Interest, as the House shall think reasonable.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a Letter from John Parkhurst and John Paschall Esquires, in the Tower, That they had, pursuant to Three Orders of the 3d of March instant, sent the Accounts following: viz.

Mr. Speaker  
communicates  
Letter  
from Park-  
hurst and  
Paschall.

A true Account of the whole Receipts and Disbursements of the Prize Office, from the First Constitution thereof to this present time:

A List of all the Ships taken in the Mediterranean:

A List of all the Ships taken by the Packet Boat; together with the Warrants directed to the Commissioners, and the Grants thereupon made, and by whom countersigned: And that they desire the House may be acquainted, That their utmost Endeavours having been used to comply with those Orders in time, has interrupted their Proceedings with the Scheme, which should be perfected, and laid before the Commissioners, with all possible Expedition:

And that the Account and Warrants were at the Door.

And an Officer from the said Commissioners was called in: Who, at the Bar, presented to the House the said Account, Lists, Warrants, and Grants.

And then withdrew.

The Accounts are in Books by themselves.

Ordered, That the said Account, Lists, Warrants, and Grants, do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon To-morrow Fortnight, take into Consideration the said Account, Lists, Warrants, and Grants.

Ordered, That the Commissioners of Prizes do, by that time, make up their Accounts, and transmit the same to the Commissioners of Accounts, pursuant to the Directions



Directions by them received from the Commissioners of Accounts, according to the Order of the 28th of February last.

*Ordered*, That every Person who was concerned as a Commissioner or Officer in the Commission of Prizes, do join in the making up the Account of Prizes, during the respective times they were in the said Commission, according to the Scheme directed by the Commissioners of Accounts, and required by this House.

Negotiations  
respecting  
the Partition  
Treaty.

The House proceeded, according to Order, to take into Consideration his Majesty's gracious Message to this House upon *Tuesday* last.

And the same was again read by Mr. Speaker:

And afterwards the Proposals made to the *French* Ambassador by Mr. *Stanhope*; and also the Translation of the Resolutions of the States General, for treating with Monsieur *D'Araux*, the 22d of March 1700-1; were read.

*Resolved*, That the Treaty of Partition be read.

And the same was read accordingly.

A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, to return the Thanks of this House for his gracious Message; wherein he is pleased to communicate his Royal Intentions to acquaint this House, from time to time, with the State and Progress of those Negotiations, into which his Majesty has entered, pursuant to the Address of this House;

An Amendment was proposed to be made, by adding "and for his Majesty's Care of these Nations, and the Peace of *Europe*:"

And the Question being put, That those Words be added;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel *Selwyn*, } 187.  
                                  { Mr. *Welsh*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Colonel *Granville*, } 193.  
                                  { Mr. *Gwyn*: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, to return the Thanks of this House for his gracious Message; wherein he is pleased to communicate his Royal Intentions to acquaint this House, from time to time, with the State and Progress of those Negotiations, into which his Majesty has entered, pursuant to the Address of this House.

A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, also to lay before his Majesty the ill Consequences of the Treaty of Partition to this Kingdom, and the Peace of *Europe*;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, by adding, after "Partition," these Words, passed under "the Great Seal of *England*, during the Sitting of Parliament, and without the Advice of the same:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Amendment being proposed to be made, by

The gross and net Receipts of the Civil List Funds, for One entire Year, from the 25th of December 1699, exclusive, to the 25th of December 1700, inclusive.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Money arising at the General Office of Excise in <i>London</i> , for Hereditary and Temporary Excise, as per the List, marked A; vouched by the Cashier's Weekly Accounts; examined and attested by the Deputy Comptroller of the Excise - - - - -	414,207	12	6½			
More for Leather Duty transferred to this Branch of Excise, to testify Errors, as per the same List - - - - -	2,106	10	11			
				416,404	3	5½
Deduct so much as hath been paid by the Cashier of the Excise, towards the Charges of Management, as per the same List - - - - -	15,000	16	2½			

adding, after "*Europe*," these Words, "whereby such large Territories of the King of *Spain's* Dominions were to be delivered up to the *French* King;"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Then the main Question being put;

*Resolved*, And also to lay before his Majesty the ill Consequences of the Treaty of Partition (passed under the Great Seal of *England*, during the Sitting of Parliament, and without the Advice of the same) to this Kingdom, and the Peace of *Europe*; whereby such large Territories of the King of *Spain's* Dominions were to be delivered up to the *French* King.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to draw up the said Address:

And it is referred to Sir *Roland Glyn*, Sir *Thomas Littleton*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Eyre*, Mr. *Dalben*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Moncton*, Sir *Jb. Pakington*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Mr. *Cowper*, Earl of *Dysert*, Mr. *Humchd*, Lord *Spencer*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Pagitt*, Mr. *Glyn*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *How*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Cha. Boyle*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Clarke*, Lord *Cutts*, Sir *Burth. Shower*, Mr. *Boyle*, Sir *Jos. Jekill*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Sir *Hum. Mackworth*, Mr. *Finch*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Henly*, Sir *Cha. Turner*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Tho. Cook*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Lord *Hartington*, Sir *Jo. Leveson Gower*, Mr. *Vane*, Sir *Thomas Powys*, Sir *Edw. Turner*: And they are to meet To-morrow Morning, at Eight a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, after the Hearing at the Bar, upon the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati*, 22<sup>o</sup> die *Martii*;

13<sup>o</sup> *Wilielmi*; Anno 1700-1.

PRAYERS.

MR. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the Civil List House the gross and net Receipt of the Civil Funds. List Funds, for One entire Year, from the 25th of December 1699, exclusive, to the 25th of December 1700, inclusive: And,

An Account of Funds given by Parliament, for the Year 1700, made up to the 21st of March 1700.

And the Titles thereof were read: And the said Accounts are as follow; viz.



	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Civil List Funds.									
For Over-charges on Cyder, Beer, and Ale, as per the same List	42	17	7½						
For exported Beer and Spirits, as per the same List	48	7	7						
Transferred to the Malt Duties, to rectify Errors, as per the same List	17,160	0	0						
				32,252	1	5			
Money arising at the General Receipt of the Post Office Revenue, as by the Receiver's Weekly Account, and the List marked B, doth appear				95,415	18	4	384,152	2	0½
Paid there for Charges and Management, according to ditto List				19,792	6	3			
							75,623	12	1
The Revenue of First-fruits, by a Medium of Seven Years last past, doth, in Gross, amount for One Year, as per the Deputy Remembrancer's Certificate thereof, and the List marked C, to				4,089	11	0			
To Allowances to the Officers of the First-fruits, amounts per Annum to				343	6	8			
							3,746	4	4
The Tenths of the Clergy in the several Dioceses, over and above all Exonerations, by Acts of Parliament, or ancient Charters, do make, per Annum, as per the List, marked D							12,240	0	0
The Fines for Writs of Covenant, and Entry in the Alienation Office, by a Medium of Seven Years last accounted for, do, according to the List, marked E, founded on the Auditor's Certificate, amount, in One Year, in Gross, to				4,804	11	5½			
Abate the Salaries of the Officers of the Alienation Office, amounting to, per Annum, as by the same List	770	0	0						
And for the necessary Expences of that Office, amounting, by a Medium of Seven Years, as per the same List, to per Annum	361	17	11½						
				1,131	17	11½			
The Post Fines are in Lease for Years, as per the Docket marked F, under the yearly Rent of The Revenues of Wine Licences are under Management of Sir Stephen Evans, and others, for the Residue of a Term of Ten Years, which began at Lady-day 1691, and to end at Lady-day next; and the Sum of 30,000 l. was advanced by the said Managers on Credit thereof, which they are authorized by their Contract to defalk, with Interest, at 6 l. per Cent. and Gratuity at 2 l. per Cent. per Annum: And the whole Produce of this Branch is applied towards the said Principal and Interest: So there arises to his Majesty, out of this Revenue, within the Year ended at Christmas 1700, as appears by the Docket marked G Nil.							3,672	13	5½
Money arising by Sheriffs Proffers, and paid into the Exchequer within the said Year, have amounted to, as per the List marked H							2,276	0	0
The Compositions in the Exchequer, by like Payments, have amounted to, in the same time, as per the same List							Nil.		
Seizures of uncustomed and prohibited Goods have made, by like Payments, as per the same List							920	18	3
The Revenue of the Duchy of Cornwall, by a Medium of Seven Years, ended at Michaelmas 1699, to which time the Accounts are made up, doth produce, for One Year, according to the Certificate of the Deputy Auditor and the List marked I, the Sum of				9,869	12	7	139	17	2
Out of which there is issuing, for Charges of Management, and for several Reprizes in the same List contained, per Annum				1,142	8	2	9,281	13	9½
							8,727	4	5
The Land Revenue arisen within the Principality of Wales, as by an Account signed by the Deputy Auditor, and the List marked K, doth amount per Annum for South Wales, 3,493 l. 10 s.: For North Wales 3,362 l. 4 s. ¾.; in both				6,857	14	0½			
And the Sums issuing out of the same, on Account of Management, and to answer ancient Stipends, Rents Resolute, and other Reprizes, do amount, as by the same List, to, per Annum				2,314	9	7			
							4,543	4	5½
There hath been paid into the Receipt of the Exchequer, within the said Year, ended at Christmas 1700, for Fines of Leases, and Rents of other Lands, as per the List marked L							358	11	2
The Duty of 4 and ½ per Cent. in Specie, arisen in Barbadoes, and the Leeward Islands, in America, hath produced, within the same time, as per List marked M, grounded upon the Account of the Receiver General of the Customs				16,194	1	6			
From which abate the Sum imprested to Mr. Thrale, the Husband of this Duty, to defray the Freight, Customs, and other Charges thereupon, as per the same List				1,836	6	6			
							14,357	15	0
The Money arising by the additional Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage, between the 31st of January 1699, the time the same commenced, and the 25th of December 1700, inclusive, according to the List marked N, maintained by the Weekly Accounts of the Receiver General, doth amount to				296,052	13	10½			

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	£.	s.	d.	Civil List Funds.
Out of which deduct, as per the same List, the Payments on Debentures for Goods re-shipped, 30,477 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> and Allowances for damaged Goods, 5,316 <i>l.</i> 14 <i>s.</i> 0½ <i>d.</i> ; in both - - - - -	35,793	18	3½	
			260,258	15 7
Add the several Over-payments made at the Exchequer, by the Receiver of the Customs, on Account of the Additional Tonage of a Farthing a time, in Six several Weeks - - -			0	0 1½
And then the Sum Total of the clear Money arising by the said appropriated Funds and Revenues, in the Year aforesaid, does amount to Seven hundred and Eighty thousand Two hundred Nine-eight Pounds Eleven Shillings and Ten-pence Three Farthings - - -			780,298	11 10½
Out of which deduct the Sum directed, by Act of Parliament, to be supplied to his Majesty yearly, during his Life, for the Service of his Household and Family, and other his necessary Expences and Occasions; to wit, Seven hundred thousand Pounds - - - - -			700,000	0 0
Then the Overplus, more than Seven hundred thousand Pounds, in the Year ending the 25th December 1700, inclusive, is Eighty thousand Two hundred Ninety-eight Pounds Eleven Shillings and Tenpence Three Farthings - - - - -			80,298	11 10½

Wm. Lowndes.

An ACCOUNT of the Funds given by Parliament for the Service of the Year 1700; to wit, in the Sessions begun the 16th November 1699, and ended the 14th April 1700, made up and stated to the 21st of March 1700-1.

**The King's most Excellent Majesty is**

	£.	s.	d.
To the Loans charged on the Aid of 2s. per Lib. pursuant to the Act of Parliament in that behalf	933,333	6	8
To the Overplus of the Civil List Funds for the Year ended at Christmas 1700, as per Account	80,298	11	10½
To the Surplus of the Customs, including 76,383l. 5s. 4½d. remaining in the Exchequer the Second December 1699	146,194	13	5½
To Contributions for the Purchase of reversionary Annuities to the Second November 1700	59,580	0	0
To the Duty of 5s. a Ton on French Ships, from the 25th December 1699, to the 25th December 1700, the Appropriation then ceasing	787	12	6
To the Duty of 22d. per Pound Weight on India wrought Silks for the same time, the Appropriation then ceasing also	10,046	4	11
To the Money arising by the Plantation Duties appropriated for One Year from the 31st March 1700	1,905	8	7½
To the Duty of 25l. per Cent. on French Goods appropriated for the same time, including 109l. 8s. 9d. remaining in the Exchequer the 31st March 1700	43,769	0	1
To Cash of the Duties of 15l. per Cent. on India wrought Silks and Muslins	123,692	7	1
To Loans on Credit on the same Duties	1,399,607	5	2½
	£.		
	933,333	6	8
	80,298	11	10½
	146,194	13	5½
	59,580	0	0
	787	12	6
	10,046	4	11
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*Memorandum* : That 74,306*l.* 7*s.* 8*d.* Part of the said Loans of 111,898*l.* 14*s.* 9*d.* is repaid out of the said Duty of 15*l.* per Cent.; and the same Duty, by the Monies which are owing from the Two Companies, and private Traders to *India*, and by the Goods to be imported before *Michaelmas* next, will be sufficient, by Estimation, not only to clear the said Loans, but to produce an Overplus for the Benefit of the Publick.

*Ordered,*

**Wm. Lowndes.**

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Grants from  
the Crown.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lowndes* do lay before this House an Account of all Grants made between the Sixth Day of February 1684, and the Fifth Day of November 1688.

Stanley's  
Estate.

A Petition of Sir *Thomas Stanley* Baronet, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner's Father, by Deed, charged a considerable Part of his Estate with a Rent-charge of 200 *l.* per Annum to his Wife, and 2,000 *l.* for his Daughters Portions; by which the Petitioner's Estate is so much lessened, that he is become liable to great Debts, which he is utterly unable to pay, as also his Sisters Portions, without the Assistance of an Act of Parliament; he having in 1695, so settled his Estate upon his Marriage, that he cannot dispose of the same, but reserving a Power of letting Leases for Lives upon Fines: That his Wife is willing to relinquish a considerable Part of her Jointure for the Benefit of the Petitioner's Family: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Petitioner to charge some Part of the Estate with the Sum of 3,000 *l.* for the Payment of his Debts, and his Sisters Portions, and the transferring his Power of making Leases to Trustees for applying the Funds towards raising the said Money.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Stanley* and Mr. *Hysham* do prepare, and bring in the same.

Army De-  
bentures.

A Petition of the Officers of His Majesty's Army, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are intitled to certain Debentures for their respective Debts, by virtue of an Act of Parliament for appointing Commissioners of Accounts; which they ought to have had by the time limited by the said Act; and which were to be settled by Sale of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, or by purchasing thereof before this time; but the Petitioners have not yet received their Debentures, nor Power of purchasing the said Estates: And praying that the said Debentures may carry Interest; and that the Petitioners may be relieved touching the same.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of the Non-commission Officers, Corporals, Trumpeters, and private Centinels, reduced, discharged, and disbanded, out of his Majesty's Army, since the happy Conclusion of the Peace, who served in the Reducing of *Ireland*, and in the *Low Countries*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there are several Sums of Money due to the Petitioners for Subsistence, and Off-reckonings, for which they cannot bring their Officers to account, notwithstanding their many Complaints to this House, and an Act of Parliament made in the 10th and 11th Years of his Majesty's Reign, for that Purpose: That the last Session of Parliament, an Act passed for appointing Commissioners to state and determine the Debts due to the Army, &c.; and the Petitioners applied to the Commissioners for Relief, who declared, that, for want of the Word "Soldier," in the said Act, they had no Power to compel the Colonels to account with their Captains, nor the Captains with their Soldiers; by which Means, the Petitioners are still unrelieved: And praying, That they may be relieved in their just Complaints, and their Officers compelled to account, and pay them what they have received for their said Service.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, to examine the Matter of the said Petition; and state the Fact to this House.

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A Petition of *Jane Barkstead*, Widow and Relict of *Francis Barkstead*, late Citizen and Mercer of *London*, Nat. deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was the Daughter of *George Gill*, and was born at *Lyons* in *France*, but sent over into *England* very young, about 30 Years ago, and married the said *Francis Barkstead*, who was an *Englishman*, who died about Seven Years since, leaving Three Infant Children, to whom he, by his Will gave a Third Part of his Estate, and made the Petitioner Executrix; who proved the Will, and put out her Children's Money at Interest, upon Securities, which have been approved by the Court of Chancery: That the Persons who borrowed the said Money are ready to pay it in; but are advised, that the Petitioner, being a Foreigner, cannot reassign, or make a good Title, without being naturalized: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for naturalizing the Petitioner, and vesting several Securities, for Part of her late Husband's Estate, in her; so that she may be enabled to take in, and let out, her own and her Children's Money, as there shall be Occasion.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Ward* and Mr. *Gulston* do prepare, and bring in; the same.

A Petition of *Rawlin Mallock* Esquire, Son of *Roger Mallock* Esquire, Cousin of *Rawlin Mallock* Esquire, Estate. deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said *Rawlin Mallock*, deceased, was seised of a considerable Estate in the Counties of *Devon*, *Somerset*, and *Cornwall*; and made a Settlement thereof, upon himself, and his Wife, and their Issue Male; and, in failure of Issue, upon such Person, and subject to such Devises, as he by Will should direct: That the said *Rawlin*, and his Wife, and only Son, are dead; but *Rawlin* by his Will, granted Annuities to his Daughter, of 200 *l.* per Annum; and subjected his Estate to the Payment of several great Debts, and Sums of Money; and gave his Estate to the Petitioner's Father for 99 Years, if he so long lived; Remainder to the Petitioner, and *Roger* his Brother, since deceased: That the Petitioner's Father died in February 1699; and the said Estate is come to the Petitioner; the Profits whereof is not enough to defray the said Annuities, Interest, and incident Charges; for which Reason, the Petitioner has come to an Agreement with the Creditors, and for buying out the Daughter's Annuities, which otherwise will eat out the said Estate: And praying, that Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Sale of some Part of the said Estate, for discharging the Debts and Charges thereupon.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Gwyn* and Mr. *Mompesson* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

A Petition of *James Wass* was presented to the House, and read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn. Wass's Petition.

A Petition of *William Gulston* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That his Majesty and the late Queen, by Letters Patents, did grant the Petitioner certain Liberties for laying of Pipes in the Borough of *Southwark*, and Places adjacent, for supplying the Inhabitants with Water: That the said Grant was for a general Good, and the Undertaking accomplished at the very great Charge of the Petitioner: And praying, That a Clause may be added to the Bill for resuming the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick; for saving the Petitioner's said Right.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition

Resumption  
of Grants.

A Petition of *Laurence Carter* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the late King *James* the Second did, by his Letters Patents, grant to the Petitioner, and his Heirs, certain Liberties for erecting and amending Cisterns, Water-houses, and laying Pipes upon the Waste Grounds, and Streets, within the Borough of *Leicester*, for conveying Water to the Inhabitants there; which was undertaken, and carried on, at the great Expence of the Petitioner, and is no ways detrimental to the Publick: And praying, That a Clause for saving the Petitioner's Right, may be inserted in the Bill for resuming the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the Sixth Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Woollen  
Manufacture.

A Petition of the Merchants, Clothiers, and other Traders in the Woollen Manufacture, in and about the Town of *Halifax*, in the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by Act of Parliament made in the First Year of his Majesty's Reign, Commissioners were empowered to put the Laws in Execution against the Exportation of Wool; who employed several Officers, and were at great Trouble and Expence, for that Purpose; by means whereof, they are much disabled in the Management of so great a Concern; and, unless some Fund be granted to the said Commissioners, they will be forced to lay aside their said Trust, to the great Prejudice of the Petitioners, and all Traders in the Woollen Manufactures: And praying, That a Fund may be raised for the better Encouragement of the said Petitioners.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws in being, touching the Woollen Manufacture.

Lady  
Bulkeley's  
Estate.

A Bill to enable the Right Honourable *Elizabeth* Lady *Bulkeley* to sell certain Lands in the County of *Devon*, and City and County of the City of *Exon*, for the Payment of Debts, was, according to Order, read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Tower  
Hamlets  
Small Debts.

Ordered, That Sir *Richard Newman*, Mr. *Wild*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Inhabitants of the *Tower Hamlets* is referred.

Kidd's  
Piracies.

Mr. *Blaitheate*, according to Order, presented to the House an Extract of the Minutes of the Council of *Massachusetts Bay*, since the Earl of *Bellomont's* Government, relating to Captain *Kidd*: And also,

An Extract of the Minutes of the Council of *New York*, since the Earl of *Bellomont's* Government, relating to Captain *Kidd*.

Which Extracts are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

Ordered, That the said Extracts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

The House proceeded, according to Order, to the Hearing of the Counsel, in relation to the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*.

And the Counsel were called in.

And the Bill was read the Third time: And the Petitions of *William Lenthall* Esquire, the Earl of *Radnor*, and the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen of the City of *London*, were severally read.

And the Counsel for the said several Parties were heard.

And then they withdrew.

And Mr. Speaker opened the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Birch* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Ordered, That Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Winington*, Mr. *Pimmell*, be added to the Committee, to whom it is referred to draw up the Address to be presented to his Majesty, to lay before him the ill Consequences of the Treaty of Partition. Treaty of Partition.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Supply. Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made upon *Monday* Morning.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, after the Hearing at the Bar, touching the Election for the Borough of *Chippenham*, in the County of *Wilts*, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived. Committees.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunce, 24° die Martii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1700-1.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of *Robert Steynor* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Laws hitherto made, to secure the Duty payable on Salt, are daily eluded by the Officers, Makers, and Carriers, of Salt, within the Borough of *Droitwich*, in *Worcestershire*, to the Value of 10,000 *l.* per. Annum Loss to his Majesty, and the fair Dealer's Loss of Trade; not only because the Officers have the sole Power of seizing Salt, passing before Entry; which if all other Persons had, half so much would not be run, and it would save his Majesty half the Number of Officers; but also, for that the Justices of Peace of the said Borough are great Makers of Salt, and take upon them to try all Causes relating to the Running of Salt, and excuse each other their Friends and Relations, who are also great Dealers in Salt: And praying, that some effectual Care may be taken to prevent the Running and Smuggling of Salt, either by a Bill, or any other Way, as shall be thought fit.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Anderton*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Sir *John Manwaring*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Ash*, Mr. *Chetwynd*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Wilde*, Mr. *Thyn*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Henry Goffe*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Hunt*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Lambton*, Mr. *Dyott*, Sir *John Kay*, Mr. *Gower*, Mr. *Cocks*, Mr. *Henley*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Worcester*, *Suffolk*, *Chester*, *Southampton*, *Lancaster*, *Durham*, and *Northumberland*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

A Petition of *Cogi Babba*, on behalf of himself, and *Kidd's* weer *Armenians*, Inhabitants of *Chulfa*, the Suburb of *Spahaw*, Piracies.



*Spahaw*, and Subjects to the King of *Persia*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners freighted a Ship, called the *Karry Merchant*, from *Surat* to *Bengall*, and to return to *Suratt*: That she went to *Bengall*, where the Petitioners loaded upon her, at prime Cost, to the Value of 400,000 Rupees, besides 40,000 Rupees, the Cost of the Ship; which was all taken, and carried away, by Captain *Kidd*, on the Ship's returning to *Suratt*, about February 1697: And praying, That Captain *Kidd* may be examined touching the Premises, and the Petitioners relieved concerning the same.

*Ordered*, That Captain *Kidd* be examined, at the Bar of this House, upon *Thursday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Keeper of *Newgate*, to bring Captain *Kidd* to this House, upon *Thursday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Committee appointed to inspect the Papers delivered in from the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, relating to Captain *Kidd*, and collect and report to the House what relates to Captain *Kidd* therein, do sort the said Papers; and report to the House what of them relate to Captain *Kidd*, upon *Thursday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That \* *Bolton* be summoned to attend this House upon *Thursday* Morning next, in order to his Examination in relation to Captain *Kidd*.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioner *Cogi Babba* do attend this House upon *Thursday* Morning next, with such Evidences as he hath, in order to make out the Matter of his Petition.

Address respecting the Treaty of Partition.

Sir *Edward Seymour* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to draw up an humble Address to be presented to his Majesty, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

Whereas nothing can more conduce to the Safety and Honour of Your Majesty, and this Nation, than taking the Advice of your *English* Councils: We your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons in this Parliament assembled, do, with all Humility, return your Majesty our hearty Thanks, for your gracious Message, wherein you are pleased to communicate your Royal Intentions to acquaint this House with the State and Progress of those Negotiations, into which your Majesty was entered, pursuant to the Address of this House: Which Method had your Majesty been advised to take, before the Treaty of Partition was perfected, which was passed under the Great Seal of *England*, during the Sitting of Parliament, and without Advice of the same, we had been prevented from laying before your Majesty what we are now bound in Duty, though with Grief, to do, the ill Consequences of that Treaty to this Kingdom, and the Peace of *Europe*, which so directly tended to increase the Power and Greatness of *France*, by delivering up to the *French* King such large Territories of the King of *Spain's* Dominions, and to the Destruction of the Trade of this Kingdom: To which Treaty may justly be ascribed the Dangers, which now threaten both this Kingdom and the Peace of *Europe*.

An Amendment was proposed to be made, by adding "Most gracious Sovereign:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Address be read Paragraph by Paragraph;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended.

*Resolved*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do humbly

know his Majesty's Pleasure, when he will be attended by this House.

Mr. *Mompesson*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for vesting the Estate of *Lucretia Tipping*, an Infant, in Trustees, upon her Marriage under Age, in order to the Sale thereof, for a Portion upon such Marriage, and a Settlement to be made accordingly: And the same was received.

The Lord *Fairfax*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for erecting and making a Corporation within the Town of *Hallifax*, for the better Relief and Government of the Poor there: And the same was received.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of the Supply to be granted, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

1. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That 25,000*l.* be allowed to the Office of Ordnance for Land Service, for the Year 1701.

2. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding 100,000 *l.* be granted to his Majesty, towards the Cancelling and Discharging of Exchequer Bills.

3. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, for raising the Sum of 37,788*l.* 1*s.* for the Payment of Seven Quarters Interest, due at *Lady-day* 1699, upon the Malt-Tickets.

4. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, for raising the Sum of 33,847*l.* 18*s.* 5*d.* for the Payment of One Year's Interest of the Loans due upon the First Three Shilling Aid.

5. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, for raising the Sum of 1,232*l.* for the Payment of One Year's Interest for the Monies remaining unsatisfied, advanced upon the late Duties laid upon Vellum, Parchment, and Paper.

6. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, for raising the Sum of 18,381*l.* 12*s.* for paying One Year's Interest of the Money remaining due upon the Third Quarterly Poll.

7. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, for raising the Sum of 35,310*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for paying One Year's Interest of the Debt owing upon the Leather Duties.

8. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, for raising the Sum of 1,738*l.* 7*d.* for paying One Year's Interest of the Loans due upon the Third Three Shilling Aid.

The 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, and 6th Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The 7th Resolution being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, for raising the Sum of 35,310*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for paying of One Year's Interest of the Debt owing upon the Leather Duties;

It passed in the Negative.

The 8th Resolution being read a Second time, was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, who are, upon *Saturday* next, to take into Consideration the State of the Nation, That they

do take into further Consideration the Treaty of Partition.

Partition  
Treaty—  
Proceedings  
in Lords  
Journals.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the House of Lords, what Proceedings are therein, with relation to the Treaty of Partition; and report the same to this House:

And it is referred to Sir Barth. Shower, Sir Edward Seymour, Mr. How, Sir Jos. Jekill, Mr. Bridges, Sir Rowland Gwyn.

Chippenham  
Election.

Then the Counsel were called in, to be heard upon the Petition of *Edward Mountague* Esquire, touching the Election for the Borough of *Chippenham*, in the County of *Wilts*; touching the Non-age of *John Lord Mordaunt*, returned for the said Borough: And they were heard both for the Petitioner, and for the Lord *Mordaunt*: And divers Witnesses were examined for both Parties.

And then the Counsel, and Witnesses, withdrew.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That *John Lord Mordaunt* was of the Age of One-and-twenty Years, the 4th Day of January 1700, being the time of the Election of the said Lord *Mordaunt*, for the Borough of *Chippenham* in the County of *Wilts*.

Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 25° die Martii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

Lynn Work-  
house.

SIR *Charles Turner*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for erecting Hospitals and Workhouses within the Borough of *King's-Lynn*, in the County of *Norfolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor there: And the same was received.

London Poor  
Relief.

Sir *Robert Clayton*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the further Relief and Employing the Poor of the City of *London*; and punishing Vagrants, and idle Persons: And the same was received.

Woollen Ma-  
nufacture.

A Petition of the Clothiers of *Stourbridge*, in the County of *Worcester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, notwithstanding this Kingdom is at great Charges in maintaining Vessels and Men to prevent the Exportation of Wool; yet, within these Two Years, many Thousand Packs of Wool have been exported into *France*, and other foreign Parts, through the Connivance, as it is feared, or great Neglect, of the Commanders of those Vessels; to the great Decay of the Petitioners Trades: And praying, That effectual Care may be taken to prevent the evil Practices in Transporting of Wool, and to maintain the Woollen Manufactures of this Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, who were appointed to inspect the Laws in being, relating to the Woollen Manufacture.

Privilege of a  
Member in a  
Suit.

A Petition of Sir *Paul Pindar* Baronet was presented to the House:

And the same relating to *George Weld* Esquire, a Member of the House; who not being in the House;

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Weld* do attend this House in his Place To-morrow Morning: And that the Petition be then read.

Corrupting  
Jurors.

A Bill to prevent the corrupting of Jurors was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Birch*,

Sir *Hump. Mackworth*, Sir *John Phillips*, Sir *Tho. Powys*, Mr. *Moncton*, Mr. *Conyers*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Fuller*, Sir *William Hustler*, Mr. *Randyll*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Palmer*, Sir *Walter Yonge*, Mr. *Taylor*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *Cha. Pye*, Sir *Wm. York*, Mr. *Lambton*, Mr. *Phips*, Sir *John Kay*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Blofield*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to consider of any Defects that are in the Act made in the 7th and 8th Years of his Majesty's Reign, for the Ease of Jurors, and better Regulating of Juries; and to receive a Clause or Clauses for remedying the same.

A Bill for vesting the Estate of *Lucretia Tipping*, an Infant, in Trustees, upon her Marriage under Age, in order to the Sale thereof, for a Portion upon such Marriage, and Settlement to be made accordingly, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting and settling certain Manors and Lands in *South Pickenham*, and other Places, in the County of *Norfolk*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for laying out the Monies, arising by Sale thereof, in Purchase of other Lands, to be settled to such and the same Uses as the said Manors and Lands, so to be vested, are and stand settled: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Bennet*, the Auditor of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, attended, according to Order;

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House an Account of all the Revenue of the Duchy of *Lancaster*; and the Incomes, and Issues, and Application thereof.

And then he withdrew.

And the Title thereof was read.

And the Account is bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Hindon*, in the County of *Wilts*, be made upon *Friday* Morning next.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had been pleased to appoint to be attended by this House, To-morrow at Four a Clock in the Afternoon, at *Kensington*.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to take and state the publick Accounts: And that Mr. *How*, Sir *Tho. Littleton*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *Hamond*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of Accounts do, upon *Friday* Morning next, lay before this House the Reasons offered by the several Accountants, why they have not delivered in their Accounts to the said Commissioners.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, touching the Election for the Borough of *Orford*, in the County of *Suffolk*, as it appeared to the said Committee; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House;

House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the Petition of Sir *Charles Hedges* and Sir *Tho. Felton*, complaining of an undue Election and Return of Sir *Edmund Bacon* Baronet, and Sir *Edward Turner* Knight, to serve for the Borough of *Orford*: That the Matter, as it appeared before the Committee, was thus:

That the Petition sets forth, That the Petitioners are duly elected to serve for the said Borough of *Orford*: And complaining, That *Henry Cooper* Esquire, High Sheriff of *Suffolk*, with an Intention to make a false Return, delivered his Precept to one *John Saunders*, to whom the Execution thereof did not belong; which the said Sheriff and *Saunders* well knew, by a solemn Tryal at Bar, in *Michaelmas* Term last; and afterwards did receive an Indenture, importing, though untruly, that Sir *Edmund Bacon* and Sir *Edward Turner* Baronets were elected Burgesses for the said Borough; and has returned the same, and refused a Return of the Petitioners from the Mayor of the said Borough.

That the Fact appeared to be thus:

In *Orford* are Two Persons who pretend to the Office of Mayor, *Thomas Hastings* and *John Saunders*: On the 26th of December, Mr. *Edmund Foster* went to *Orford*, where the High Sheriff lived; and acquainted him, That Mr. *Hastings* was the Mayor of *Orford*, and expected the Precept: And, on the 30th of December, he went to *Orford*, to *John Saunders*, and told him, he hoped, he would not meddle with the Precept; and did leave with the High Sheriff and *John Saunders*, a Copy of a Verdict at Bar, against *John Morgan*: And Mr. *Foster* said, That he was present when the Verdict was given, which was upon the Point, Whether *Morgan* was the real Mayor: Mr. *Foster* could not say but he demanded the Precept of the Sheriff, before the Sheriff had the Writ: But one *Thomas French* testified, That Mr. *Hastings* did demand the Precept of Mr. *Saunders*, after it came to Town; but he refused to deliver it.

That it further appeared to the Committee, That *Saunders*, having the Precept, gave Notice, That the Election would be the 10th of January; and accordingly, upon the 10th of January, went to the Town-hall, and there the Sitting Members were elected: That after Mr. *Saunders*, and those with him, were come out of the Town-hall, Mr. *Hastings*, and several of the Freemen, went into the Town-hall; and there the Petitioners were elected, by about the Number of 58.

That the Petitioners Counsel insisted, That they could make it appear, That *John Saunders* was not the lawful Mayor, the said *Saunders* claiming under *Morgan*.

To which Point the Committee did not think fit to hear them.

But it not being pretended, that publick Notice had been given of the Time of the said Election by *Hastings*, neither ever had he the Precept; and it also appearing, that no Person protested against *Saunders*' Proceedings while he was in the Town-hall, or any one demanded a Poll of him;

The Committee came to these Resolutions:

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir *Edmund Bacon* Baronet is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Orford*, in the County of *Suffolk*.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir *Edward Turner* Knight is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Orford*.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Merits of the Election for the said Borough be recommitted;

It passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the House doth agree with the Com-

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mittee in the said Resolution, That Sir *Edmund Bacon* Baronet is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Orford*, in the County of *Suffolk*.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time:

Resolved, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Sir *Edward Turner* Knight is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Orford*.

The Serjeant at Arms attending this House, being called upon to give the House an Account of what he had done in Execution of the Orders for taking into Custody the Persons directed by the House to be taken into Custody, or summoned to attend the House;

Serjeant's Proceedings to apprehend Persons ordered into Custody.

He acquainted the House, That, in relation to the Matter of *Grimsby*; Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Story*, Mr. *Bourman*, Mr. *Bransby*, Mr. *Newark*, and Mr. *Mason*, were in Custody; and that both they, and Mr. *Rogers*, who was summoned to attend the House, do all of them now attend; but that Mr. *Jeffries*, and Mr. *Perks*, absconded, and cannot be apprehended:

And that, in relation to *Newport*, in the County of *Southampton*, Mr. *John Glover*, who was ordered to be committed to *Newgate*, also absconds, and cannot be apprehended.

And that, in relation to the Borough of *Bramber*, in the County of *Sussex*, Mr. *Alexander Cutting*, who was ordered to be taken into Custody, also absconds, and cannot be apprehended.

Whereas Mr. *John Glover* hath been charged with several Misdemeanors; and, in Contempt of the Authority of this House, absconds:

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will please to issue his Royal Proclamation for apprehending the said *John Glover*, with a Promise of a Reward for the same; and also for the apprehending of the said Mr. \* *Jeffries*, and Mr. *Perks*, and the said Mr. *Alexander Cutting*.

Address for Proclamation to apprehend Persons absconding.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House, as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Resolved, That it appears to this House, That *Wm. Clifton* hath endeavoured, by Bribery, and other corrupt Practices, to procure an Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bramber*, in the County of *Sussex*.

Person committed for Bribery.

Ordered, That the said *William Clifton* be, for his said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Then the said Mr. *Rogers* was called in; and examined. And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the said Mr. *Rogers* be discharged of his further Attendance.

Mr. *Mason* was called in; and examined.

And then he withdrew.

Resolved, That Provision be made, that no Member of this House, from and after the Dissolution of this Parliament, shall be concerned as a Commissioner, or other Officer in the Customs.

Resolution against Commissioners of Customs interfering in Elections.

Resolved, That Provision be made, that no Commissioner, or Officer of the Customs, shall concern themselves in soliciting any Election, or procuring Votes for any Election, of Members to serve in Parliament.

Then Mr. *Bourman*, Mr. *Story*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Newark*, and Mr. *Bransby*, were called in; and severally examined.

And then withdrew.

Resolved, That the further Consideration how this House will proceed, with Relation to the Crimes, whereof *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, stands convicted before this House, be adjourned till this Day Sevensnight.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Mercurii, 26° die Martii;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

## PRAYERS.

Earl of  
Ranelagh's  
Accounts.

THE Earl of *Ranelagh*, according to Order, presented to the House a State of his Accounts, as Paymaster of his Majesty's Forces, &c. from the 1st of January 1685, on which Day he first entered upon the Execution of that Office, to the last of March 1692: As also,

A State of what was deducted by him for Poundage within that time: And also,

His Account, beginning the First of April 1692, and ending the 25th March 1699: And also,

His Account from the 26th of March to the 24th of December 1699.

And the Titles thereof were read:

And the Accounts are as follow; viz.

The said State of Accounts from the 1st of January 1685, to the last of March 1692, inclusive, being Six Years and Three Months:

Which State he humbly lays before this Honourable House, that by it may, at one View, be seen, the Whole of his Receipts and Payments within that time; which could not be clear to them by any State, beginning either from the 5th of November, or the 13th of February, 1688; since the Balance of his Accounts, preceding these Two Periods, would not appear.

The Accounts for the said Six Years and Three Months are in Number Seven: The Six First, which go on to the last of December 1690, are actually past: The Seventh, which begins from the First of January 1690, and ends the last of March 1692, is ingrossed, and ready for Declaration.

The First of the said Seven Accounts begins the First of January 1685, and ends the last of June 1686; being Six Months.

	£.	s.	d.
The Charge of it amounts to	262,555	18	0
The Discharge of it to	310,036	4	0½
Balance due to the Accountant	47,480	6	0½

The Second Account begins from the First of July 1686, and ends the last of December following, being also Six Months.

The Charge of it amounts to	375,702	12	8
The Discharge of it to	379,421	2	10½
Balance due to the Accountant	3,718	10	2½

The Third Account begins the First of January 1686, and ends the last of December 1687, being Twelve Months.

The Charge of it amounts to	629,282	10	8
The Discharge, including the Balance of the next foregoing Account, amounts to	625,296	16	11½
Balance due from the Accountant	3,985	13	8½

The Fourth Account begins the First of January 1687, and ends the last of April 1689, being Sixteen Months.

The Charge of it, including the Balance of the next foregoing Account, due from the Accountant, amounts to	1,199,091	15	7½
The Discharge, to	1,272,688	11	0½
Balance due to the Accountant	73,596	15	5½

The Fifth Account begins the First of May 1689, and ends the last of December following, being Eight Months.

The Charge of it amounts to	729,220	7	3½
The Discharge, including the Balance of the next foregoing Account, amounts to	821,268	5	0½
Balance due to the Accountant	92,047	17	9½

The Sixth Account begins the First of January 1689, and ends the last of December 1690, being Twelve Months.

The Charge of it amounts to	817,312	12	9½
The Discharge, including the Balance of the next foregoing Account, amounts to	998,779	15	4½
Balance due to the Accountant	181,467	2	7½

The Seventh Account begins the First of January 1690, and ends the last of March 1692, being Fifteen Months.

The Charge of it amounts to	1,113,800	5	0
The Discharge, including the Balance of the next foregoing Account, amounts to	1,297,630	15	8
Balance due to the Accountant	183,830	10	8

The Total of the neat Charge of the Seven foregoing Accounts amounts to	5,122,980	8	3½
The Neat Discharge of the said Accounts, amounts to	5,306,810	18	11½

And the Balance due to the Accountant, as aforesaid, is 183,830 10 8

Memorandum;

*Memorandum*: The Fourth of the said Seven Accounts was made up for Sixteen Months, the Accountant being directed so to do, by a Warrant signed by his Majesty, and countersigned by the then Lords of the Treasury, dated the 11th Day of September 1689: Which Warrant takes Notice, That, by reason of the Interruption of the Musters from November 1688, to May 1689, the Payments to the Forces had been, for that time, so intermixed, that it would be most convenient for all Persons concerned, that the said Accounts should be made up for Sixteen Months; viz. From the First of January 1687, to the last of April 1689, from which time the New Establishment was to begin: And, by the said Warrant, the Fifth of the said Accounts is directed to be made up for Eight Months; viz. from the First of May 1689, to the last of December following; so that the said Fourth and Fifth Accounts take in Two Years; viz. from the First of January 1687, to the last of December 1689.

*Memorandum* also, That the Seventh of the said foregoing Accounts is made up for 15 Months; viz. from the First of January 1690, to the last of March 1692; because the great Establishment of the Forces which brought most of the Regiments that had served in the reducing of *Ireland*, under the Accountant's Care, begins from the First of April 1692.

The said State of the Poundage, and what was deducted of it by the Accountants within the time of the foregoing Account; viz.

By the several Establishments which took in the whole time of this Account, being Six Years and Three Months, ending as aforesaid, the last of March 1692, the Accountant was directed to deduct as usually, Twelve-pence out of every Twenty Shillings paid by him to the Forces, &c.; of which One Third Part was, by the Warrants directing the said Deductions, to be applied to the Exchequer Fees, and to the Paymaster of the Forces for the Time being; and the remaining Two Thirds were to remain in the said Paymaster's Hands upon Account, to be applied either to the Use of the Royal Hospital near *Chelsea*, or towards the lessening the Charge of the Establishments, according to Directions: But from the First of April

1692, when the great Establishment of the Forces began, which brought most of the Regiments that had served in the reducing of *Ireland*, under this Accountant's Care; and which amounted to 1,143,183 *l.* 10 *s.* 11 *d.* per Annum; the Third of the Poundage, applicable by the former Establishments, as aforesaid, to the Exchequer Fees, and to the Paymaster of the Forces for the Time being, was entirely extinguished; and the whole Poundage was left to his Majesty's Disposal; who was pleased to grant this Accountant, out of it, a settled Salary of 3,000 *l.* a Year, being what was then allowed to the Treasurer of the Navy.

As to the Two Thirds of the Poundage deducted from the First of January 1685, to the last of March 1692, which amounted to 136,622 *l.* 19 *s.* 2 *d.* this Accountant hath accounted for the same, in manner following:

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
In the First of the said Seven Accounts he charged himself with	5,155	4	8
In the Second of the said Seven Accounts he charged himself with	5,090	14	10
In the Third of the said Seven Accounts he charged himself with	10,243	17	8
Making together, towards lessening the Charge of the Establishment	20,489	17	2

And as to the Remainder of the said 136,622 *l.* 19 *s.* 2 *d.* being 116,133 *l.* 2 *s.* 0 *d.* the said Accountant hath charged himself therewith in Two Accounts, particularly relating to the Royal Hospital, near *Chelsea*; viz.

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
In the Account for the said Hospital, which begins the said First of January 1685, and ends the Last of December 1687, he charges himself, amongst other Sums, with Poundage, to the Amount of	20,489	17	2
And in the Account for the said Hospital, which begins from the First of January 1687, and ends the Last of March 1692, he charges himself with Poundage, to the Amount of	95,643	4	10

Total Charge in the said Two Accounts - 116,133 2 0

*Memorandum*: The First of the said Hospital Accounts is actually passed by One of the Auditors of the Imprests: And the other Account is ready for the said Auditors; but cannot properly be delivered to them, till the last of the aforesaid Seven Accounts, being for Fifteen Months, is actually passed: But, in the mean time, the Accountant hath delivered in a Draught of the said Account, upon his Oath, to the Commissioners of Accounts; at the End of which, there is a small Balance due to the Accountant.

*Ranelagh.*

The said Account beginning the First of April 1692, and ending the 25th of March 1699.

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
The Charge.			
Received at the Exchequer from the First of April 1692, to the last of March 1693	1,738,764	12	11½
Received more from the First of April 1693, to the Last of March 1694	1,513,935	0	2½
Received from the First of April 1694, to the Last March 1695	2,711,649	16	2½
Received from the First of April 1695, to the Last March 1696	2,268,398	0	6½
Received from the First of April 1696, to the Last March 1697	1,781,634	2	3½
Received from the First of April 1697, to the Last March 1698	2,033,809	12	4½
Received more, in Exchequer Bills, from the Fourteenth of July 1697, to the Third of November following	54,185	9	11
Received more from the First of April 1698, to the Last of March 1699	1,556,943	17	9
	13,659,230	12	2½

*Memorandum*, It appears by Certificate from the Auditor of the Receipt, that the Sum of 148,201 *l.* 12 *s.* Part of the above Sum of 1,556,943 *l.* 17 *s.* 9 *d.* was issued to the Accountant on the 27th of March 1699: And therefore it is transferred from the Charge of this Account to the Charge of the Account commencing the 26th of March, and ending the 24th of December 1699: So that the Charge of Account, for Monies received at the Exchequer, is but

13,511,119 0 2½



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To which is added, the following Sums; viz. 11,247 l. 8 s. 9 d. and 847 l. 1 s. 6 d. paid by the Accountant to the Duke of Bolton's Regiment of Foot designed for the *West Indies*, upon Account: Which having been allowed in his Accounts ended the last of December 1690, and the last of March 1692, and afterwards deducted upon their Clearings, to the last of March 1693, the Accountant doth here charge himself therewith, amounting to -

£. s. d.  
12,094 10 3

And then the Total of the Charge is - £. 13,523,213, 10 5½

The Discharge.

Balance due to the Accountant at the Foot of his Account, prepared for	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Declaration by the Auditor of the Imprests for Fifteen Months, ending	-	-	-	183,830	10	8
the last of March 1692	-	-	-			
Payments to General Officers, Aids de Camp, Majors of Brigade and	-	-	-	286,162	17	10½
Engineers	-	-	-			

Payments to the Regiments, Troops, and Companies, following; viz.

First Troop of Guards	-	-	-	-	-	-	112,479	17	6
Second Troop of Guards	-	-	-	-	-	-	115,089	4	1½
Third Troop of Guards	-	-	-	-	-	-	114,301	14	3½
Troop of Grenadier Guards	-	-	-	-	-	-	53,630	16	6
Royal Regiment of Horse	-	-	-	-	-	-	188,539	15	0½
Major General Lumley's Regiment	-	-	-	-	-	-	188,614	0	7½
Colonel Wood's	-	-	-	-	-	-	130,322	2	6½
Earl of Arran's	-	-	-	-	-	-	126,161	1	10½
Brigadier Windham's	-	-	-	-	-	-	128,298	15	1½
Duke Schomberg's	-	-	-	-	-	-	127,685	17	7
Earl of Macklesfield's	-	-	-	-	-	-	90,956	10	2
Colonel Harvey's, late Levenson's	-	-	-	-	-	-	111,269	17	8
Brigadier Langston's Standing Regiment	-	-	-	-	-	-	117,022	6	6½
Brigadier Langston's Disbanded Regiment	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,206	3	6
Troop of Scotts Guards	-	-	-	-	-	-	42,952	16	7
Lord Windsor's Regiment	-	-	-	-	-	-	74,785	9	0½
Colonel Harvy's, late Earl of Arran's	-	-	-	-	-	-	73,921	3	8
Royal Regiment of Dragoons	-	-	-	-	-	-	115,157	19	3
Colonel Loyd's Regiment	-	-	-	-	-	-	109,696	1	3½
Earl of Essex' Regiment of Dragoons	-	-	-	-	-	-	112,078	17	10
Colonel Rosse's	-	-	-	-	-	-	71,377	3	4
Lord Jedbrough's	-	-	-	-	-	-	69,852	2	9
Lord Tiviot's	-	-	-	-	-	-	94,697	19	10½
Earl of Denbigh's	-	-	-	-	-	-	69,324	8	5
Colonel Leigh's	-	-	-	-	-	-	69,977	14	7
First Regiment of Foot Guards	-	-	-	-	-	-	312,390	12	9½
Coldstream Regiment	-	-	-	-	-	-	158,294	1	11½
Regiment of Scotts Foot Guards	-	-	-	-	-	-	119,562	16	9
Royal Regiment of Foot	-	-	-	-	-	-	183,994	9	8
Brigadier Selwyn's Regiment	-	-	-	-	-	-	92,139	16	2½
Brigadier Trelawny's Regiment of Foot	-	-	-	-	-	-	91,999	11	1
Major General Churchill's	-	-	-	-	-	-	88,495	11	8½
Royal Regiment of Fuzileers	-	-	-	-	-	-	92,451	19	9½
Colonel Webb's Regiment	-	-	-	-	-	-	76,363	1	0½
Sir Bevill Granvill's	-	-	-	-	-	-	88,986	14	11½
Colonel Brewer's	-	-	-	-	-	-	77,241	8	7½
Major General Stewart's	-	-	-	-	-	-	49,080	7	11
Sir Henry Bellasys	-	-	-	-	-	-	52,307	12	2½
Sir John Jacob's	-	-	-	-	-	-	80,480	5	8½
Colonel How's	-	-	-	-	-	-	80,791	13	8½
Colonel Tidcomb's	-	-	-	-	-	-	85,845	9	6½
Colonel Frederick Hamilton	-	-	-	-	-	-	64,875	14	5½
Sir Matth. Bridges	-	-	-	-	-	-	81,354	1	4½
Colonel Stanlye's	-	-	-	-	-	-	83,328	7	5½
Marquis de Puizar's	-	-	-	-	-	-	74,897	1	4½
Brigadier Tiffin's	-	-	-	-	-	-	75,836	18	7½
Brigadier Fairfax's	-	-	-	-	-	-	84,614	6	11½
Brigadier Ingoldsby's	-	-	-	-	-	-	78,460	16	6½
Colonel Collenbine's	-	-	-	-	-	-	84,337	11	10½
Major General Erle's	-	-	-	-	-	-	93,707	7	6½
Sir David Coljeat's	-	-	-	-	-	-	78,566	8	6½
Colonel Rowe's	-	-	-	-	-	-	81,513	5	6½
Brigadier Maitland's	-	-	-	-	-	-	81,292	12	1½
Colonel Geo. Hamilton's	-	-	-	-	-	-	54,136	2	7
Lord Strathnaver's	-	-	-	-	-	-	53,852	6	4½
Colonel Ferguson's	-	-	-	-	-	-	82,572	3	5
Colonel Murray's	-	-	-	-	-	-	82,446	2	1½
Colonel Walter Philip Coljeat's	-	-	-	-	-	-	80,556	19	6½
Colonel Lander's	-	-	-	-	-	-	82,066	11	6½
Colonel Collingwood's	-	-	-	-	-	-	96,703	13	9
Major General Erle's	-	-	-	-	-	-	79,421	19	11½

Duke

	£.	s.	d.	
Duke of Bolton's	79,186	16	6½	Earl of Ranelagh's Accounts.
Colonel Saunderson's	84,466	14	6½	
Lord Lorn's	88,456	3	8½	
Colonel Coote's	51,060	11	1	
Colonel Brudenall's	51,893	18	4½	
Colonel Gibson's	54,731	12	3½	
Colonel Northcote's	54,881	19	11½	
Colonel Farrington's	54,610	2	1½	
Colonel Bochan's	57,017	1	4	
Colonel Seymour's	86,718	0	7½	
Colonel Mordant's	82,350	3	7½	
Colonel Colt's, to clear them to the First of April 1692; and upon Account, since that time	85,436	7	10½	
Colonel Holt's, to clear them to the First of April 1693. 48,479 <i>l.</i> 14 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> and upon Account, from that time, 29,158 <i>l.</i> 17 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i>	77,638	12	2	
Colonel Lillingston's Regiment of 13 Companies	31,460	19	2	
Colonel Lillingston's Regiment of 1,200 Men	8,732	11	5	
Colonel Russell's Regiment	21,913	16	4½	
Four Companies at New York	20,760	17	8	
Company in the Leeward Islands	6,325	14	3	
Major Mountjoy's Independent Company	6,156	0	4	
Major Garth's Independent Company	2,278	18	10	
Company of Miners	9,600	0	6	
Company at Upnor	5,794	14	9	
Company at Newfoundland	565	17	0	
Captain Prince's Company	1,484	6	1	
	6,843,543	5	7½	
Paid Mr. Vander Esch for the Use of the Dutch, Danish, and Saxon-Gotha Forces under his Care in England and Flanders, from the Thirty-first of December 1688, the Sum of 2,638,603 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> 9½ <i>d.</i> as by an Account of his Receipts delivered in by his Deputy to the Honourable Commissioners will appear; of which Sum there hath been already allowed the Accountant in his Accounts passed the Last of March 1692, the Sum of 148,799 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> 9½ <i>d.</i> ; and so remains, to be charged, the Sum of	1,789,804	2	0½	
Paid to the Garisons to clear them to the Last of March 1693, and for Subsistence, and upon Account of Pay from that time	73,875	0	10½	
Paid to the said Garisons, and to the Guards, in full of their respective Allowances for Fire and Candle, to the Last of March 1698	18,773	6	3	
	92,648	16	1½	
Paid to the Five French Regiments following, lately disbanded.				
Lord Gallway's Horse	277,543	11	4	
Marquis de Miremont's Dragoons	52,265	0	8	
Major General La Melonier's Foot	94,820	10	4	
Lord Lifford's Foot	94,828	10	8	
Brigadier Bellcastle's Foot	94,744	8	6	
	614,202	1	6	
Paid to the Danish Forces, whilst under the Accountant's Care, over and above what paid to them by Mr. Vander Esch, and charged to his particular Account	414,012	3	11	
Paid to the Forces in Piedmont, when commanded by the Lord Gallw...	48,223	3	0	
Paid to them more, after their coming from Piedmont to the Rhine, commanded by the Count De Frize	41,900	0	0	
	90,123	3	0	
Paid to foreign Princes for Subsidies, and for Pay to their Troops; viz.				
To the King of Sweden	11,900	0	0	
To the Duke of Savoy	434,797	17	5	
To the Elector of Brandenburg	72,984	6	0	
To the Elector of Saxony	49,986	10	4	
To the Elector of Hanover, and Duke of Zell	480,575	9	4	
To the Duke of Wolfenbottle	99,464	2	10	
To the Duke of Holsteyn	19,515	9	0	
To the Landgrave of Hesse	70,727	4	11½	
To the Bishop of Munster	80,872	18	6	
To the Elector of Treves	2,776	14	0	
To the Elector of Cologne	2,019	8	6	
To Monsieur Schuylenburg for the Saxon Gotha Troops, over and above what paid to them by Mr. Vander Esch, and charged to his particular Account	6,192	0	0	
	1,331,812	0	10½	
Paid to several Regiments of Horse, Dragoons, and Foot, of English, Dutch, Danes, French, and Hanovers, as Levy-money, to raise Recruits, and buy Horses, to augment their Troops, and supply the Room of those lost and taken by the French	126,021	14	0	
Paid to Messieurs Machado and Perreira for Bread, Bread-waggons, and Forage, for the Use of the Forces in Flanders	432,579	14	3	

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Paid to several others for Forage, supplied by them to the said Forces  
in Flanders; viz.

	£.	s.	d.	
To Mr. Heycoup - - - - -	68,300	18	0 $\frac{1}{4}$	
To Messieurs Zegar and Goris - - - - -	27,193	15	6	
To Messieurs Morreau and Davitz - - - - -	3,500	0	0	
To Mr. Vander Kaa - - - - -	3,000	0	0	
To Messieurs Ferriseau and Paugard - - - - -	23,917	9	8	
To Messieurs Castaigne and Vander Kaa - - - - -	12,420	6	0	
To Mr. Creinest - - - - -	8,576	0	6	
				146,908 9 8 $\frac{1}{4}$
Paid to the Commissioners of Transports and others, for Provisions, and other Services, relating to the Transportation of the Forces - - - - -	-	-	-	86,005 13 1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Paid to several for the Use of the Hospitals in Flanders - - - - -	-	-	-	128,022 14 2
Paid to several Apothecaries, for Medicines furnished for the Use of the Forces in Flanders - - - - -	-	-	-	19,312 2 4
Paid to several, for Discounting of Tallies, and Bank Bills, and Interest and Charges on Protested Bills - - - - -	-	-	-	84,440 1 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Paid to several in Flanders, for Interest of Money borrowed, Charges on Protested Bills, and Discount of several Bills remitted at Terms, Interest, &c. - - - - -	-	-	-	21,333 9 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Paid to the Bank of England for Losses sustained by them on the Ex- change of their Remittances to Flanders by Warrant - - - - -	75,000	0	0	
Paid to Sir John and Francis Eyles, and others, the like - - - - -	23,508	19	3	88,508 19 3
Paid to several, for Loss on Exchange for Money paid in Flanders, the Accountant's Deputy there having paid more Guilders to the Forces for a Pound Sterling, than he received, either by Remittance or Draughts, being directed so to do by Warrant - - - - -	133,280	10	2	
Out of which to be deducted for what he gave Credit for the King's Profit, on the said Exchange, at other times - - - - -	23,134	11	2	
Remains to be charged - - - - -	-	-	-	110,145 19 0
Paid to the Exchequer, for Fees payable there, upon the Money im- prest to the Accountant within the time of this Account, which he charges here, by reason no Poundage has been deducted, to answer the same - - - - -	-	-	-	66,134 8 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Paid into the Exchequer, in clipped Money, and old Exchequer Bills, to be cancelled - - - - -	-	-	-	42,975 0 0
Paid to several in England, for sundry Contingencies relating to the Forces, pursuant to Warrants - - - - -	-	-	-	170,478 4 0
Paid to several in Flanders by the Accountant's Deputy there, for Sun- dry Contingencies relating to the Forces, pursuant to Warrants in the Years 1692, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, and 1698 - - - - -	-	-	-	104,209 13 2
Paid to several for the Train of Artillery, in Flanders - - - - -	-	-	-	10,946 13 1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Paid to several English and French Pensioners, according to their several Lists and Warrants, signed by his Majesty - - - - -	-	-	-	57,210 19 0
Paid to the Invalids lodged at Windsor, Chester, Tinnmouth and Hampton- Court, and to several Persons, according to their respective Allow- ances on the Establishment, charged not in any former Article - - - - -	-	-	-	29,831 17 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
Paid to the Royal Hospital near Chelsea, by several weekly Payments, directed for their necessary Subsistence, which were to be repaid out of the Poundage, when deducted; the said Poundage being the settled Fund of their Support: But, in regard the Poundage for the time of this Account is very near all sunk, for lessening the Arrear due to the Forces, the said Sums so directed are here charged, amount- ing in all to - - - - -	-	-	-	19,950 0 0
Paid to the disbanded Officers established at Half-pay, and to several other reformed Officers, according to their respective Allowances - - - - -	-	-	-	27,645 18 2 $\frac{1}{4}$
Paid to the Sieur Schuylenburgh, for several Sums advanced by him, for sundry Services relating to the Forces - - - - -	-	-	-	111,977 18 4 $\frac{1}{4}$
Paid to General Officers, Majors of Brigade, and to several Regiments of Foot, to enable them to buy their respective Allowances of Forage, to the Winter Quarters 1694-5 - - - - -	-	-	-	58,533 11 2 $\frac{1}{4}$
Total Discharge - - - - -	-	-	-	13,589,312 0 6 $\frac{1}{4}$
Balance due to the Accountant - - - - -	-	-	-	66,098 10 0 $\frac{1}{4}$
				13,523,213 10 5 $\frac{1}{4}$

*Memorandum:* The Sum of Twelve thousand Pounds a Year, out of the Poundage, is allowed by his Majesty's Warrants, for the Support of the Royal Hospital, near Chelsea, from the First of April 1692, when this Account commences, and the said Hospital is fully cleared their said Allowances for the Seven Years of this Account, amounting in all to Eighty-four thousand Pounds: So that, besides the Nineteen thousand Nine hundred and Fifty Pounds charged in the foregoing Account, the Accountant has further paid, for the Support of the said Hospital, within the time of this Account, the Sum of Sixty-four thousand and Fifty Pounds out of Poundage deducted by him from General Officers, contingent Warrants, &c.: And by the Abstracts of the Accounts of the several English and Scotch Regiments, delivered in, by this Accountant, to the Honourable the Commissioners of Accounts, it will clearly appear, that the Poundage due from the said Regiments, within the time of this Account, amounts to very near Four hundred thousand Pounds; which is sunk towards lessening the Arrear due to the said Regiments, for the said time.

The said Account of the Earl of *Ranelagh*, beginning the 26th March 1699, and ending the 24th of December following, inclusive, being Nine Months.

Earl of  
Ranelagh's  
Accounts,

## The Charge.

Received at the Exchequer, from the 26 March 1699, to the 24th of December following, including therein the Sum of 148,201 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> which is transferred from the Charge of the preceding Account, ending the 25th of March 1699, to the Charge of this Account, in regard it was received after that Day, the Sum of - - - - -	<i>£.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	376,302	15	8½
From which is deducted what was received at the Exchequer on the 23 of December 1699; the same being ordered, and applied, for Three Weeks Subsistence to the Forces, commencing the 25th of December, and ending the 14th of January 1699; which is not within the time of this Account, and amounts to - - - - -	13,620	15	3

And there is further charged by the Accountant in this Account, though not received till April 1700, the Money given by Parliament to discharge the Arrears of the Establishment, commencing the 26 March 1699, to the 24th December following, except the Off-reckonings for that time, which are made payable out of the forfeited Estates in <i>Ireland</i> , and Half-pay to disbanded Officers, from <i>Michaelmas</i> 1699, amounting to - - - - -	Remains -	362,682	0	5½
		24,000	0	0

Total of the Charge - 386,682 0 5½

## The Discharge.

Balance due to the Accountant at the Foot of his preceding Account, ending 25th March 1699	66,098	10	0½
Payments to the Regiments, Troops, and Companies, on the Establishment, for the time of this Account - - - - -	226,217	10	8
Payments to the Garisons, for Pay, and for Fire and Candle - - - - -	15,081	8	6½
Payments to General Staff Officers, and Contingencies - - - - -	12,639	14	8½
Payments to disbanded Officers, established at Half-pay, from <i>Michaelmas</i> 1698, to which time the Payments made to them are allowed in the preceding Account, to <i>Michaelmas</i> 1699, and to the Four Companies of Invalids, lodged at <i>Windsor</i> , <i>Chester</i> , <i>Hampton Court</i> , and <i>Tinmouth</i> - - - - -	44,761	6	0½
For several small Payments, according to the Establishment, and to several Persons on the List of small Pensions - - - - -	3,079	17	0
Payments to the Treasurer of the Navy, for the Two late Marine Regiments - - - - -	10,736	18	11
Payments to the Commissioners of Transports - - - - -	5,929	17	7

Total of the Discharge - 384,545 3 6½

Balance due from the Accountant - 2,136 16 11

*Memorandum*: Upon disbanding the Five *French* Regiments, the Accountant was ordered to send Money into *Ireland*, in order to their Clearing; Part whereof, being Guineas, to the Number 14,231, he received at the Exchequer, at the Rate of Two-and-twenty Shillings each, and issued the same in *Ireland* at Six-and-twenty Shillings each; by which means, there was gained Four Shillings in each Guinea, which he here charges himself withal, amounting to Which being added to the foregoing Sum of 2,136*l.* 16*s.* 11½*d.* the Balance due from the Accountant is - - - - -

2,846 4 0

4,983 0 11½

*Memorandum* also: In the Charge of this Accountant, from the First of April 1692, there is contained the Sum of 221,724*l.* 10*s.* which was received by Orders and Tallies, for Reversions of Annuities, and appropriated by Act of Parliament for Payment of the Off-reckonings for Cloathing, for the Year ended the Last of December 1697: Such of the Off-reckonings for that Year, as had not been otherwise paid, have been satisfied out of the said Orders and Tallies; and there still remains of them, in the Accountant's Hands, to the Value of 5,017*l.* 9*s.* 1*d.*; which will more than answer the above Balance of 4,983*l.* 0*s.* 11½*d.* by the Sum of 34*l.* 8*s.* 1½*d.* and may be disposed of in such Manner, as this Honourable House shall think fit to order.

*Ranelagh.*

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Public  
Revenue  
and Taxes.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Abstract of Accounts of the publick Revenue, Taxes, and Money borrowed, for One Quarter of a Year; to wit, from *Michaelmas* to *Christmas* 1700.

And the Title thereof was read.

The Account is in a Book by itself, bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

Ordered, That the said Abstract do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Merioneth  
Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Merioneth*, in the room of *Hugh Nanny* Esquire, deceased.

Chester  
Privileges.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the County Palatine of *Chester*, on behalf of themselves, and the rest of the Inhabitants of the same County, was presented to the

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House, and read; setting forth, That, of ancient Right, amongst others, the Inhabitants of the said County Palatine ought not to be sued, or impleaded, in any of his Majesty's Courts of Law or Equity, out of the said County, for any Matters arising therein, except only for Treason, Error, foreign Plea, and foreign Voucher; in Consideration of which Privileges, confirmed by many Charters, the said Inhabitants have usually paid, and of Right ought to pay, 3,000 Marks, by way of Mize, upon the Change of every Owner of the Earldom of *Chester*: But of late, the Petitioners said ancient Privileges have been infringed, and violated, to their great Oppression: And pray, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for maintaining the Privileges of the said Inhabitants.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

Then a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee;

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It passed in the Negative.  
*Resolved*, That the Petition be rejected.

Partition  
 Treaty—  
 Proceedings  
 in Lords  
 Journals.

Sir *Edward Seymour* reported from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the House of Lords, what Proceedings are therein, with relation to the Treaty of Partition, and report the same to the House; That they had searched the Journals of the House of Lords accordingly, and taken Copies thereof; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Lunæ*, 10° March 1700.

The House being moved, That a Day may be appointed for taking into Consideration the Treaties now lying before this House; it is *Ordered*, by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, That the said Treaties shall be taken into Consideration on *Wednesday* next, at Eleven a Clock in the Forenoon.

*Mercurii*, 12° Martii.

The Order being read, for taking into Consideration the Treaties now lying before this House; the several Translations of Treaties were read, as follow;

- 1st, The Treaty of defensive Alliance between *England* and *Holland*, 3 March 1677.
2. The Renewal of the Treaties between *England* and the States General of the *United Provinces*, 17th August 1685.
3. The Renewal of the Treaties of Alliance between *England* and *Holland*, 24th August 1689.
4. Ratification of the Treaty of *Reswick*.
5. Convention between *England*, *Sweden*, and *Holland*, 14 May 1698.
6. Treaty between *England*, *Sweden*, and the States General, in January 1700.
7. Separate Articles between *England*, *Sweden*, and *Holland*.
8. Ratification of the Treaty 11 January 1700.
9. The Ratification of the separate Article.
10. The Ratification of the secret Article.
11. The King's Declaration.
12. The Dauphin's Declaration.

After which the House came to this Agreement:

That the Lord Chamberlain do humbly move his Majesty, That all Matters, or Papers, any way relating to the Negotiations of the Treaties, be laid before this House.

*Veneris*, 14° Martii.

The Order being read, for taking into further Consideration the Treaties;

The House was acquainted, That Mr. *Yard* attended with the Papers, as agreed on Yesterday. He was called in; and delivered the Papers following, at the Table; viz.

- 1st. *Copie du plein pouvoir touchant succession de Espagne*, 2d January 1700.
2. A Copy of the King's Warrant for affixing the Great Seal to the said full Powers.
3. A Copy of the Ratification of Partition.
4. A Copy of the King's Ratification of the separate and secret Articles.
5. A Copy of the King's Warrant for affixing the Great Seal to the Treaty of Partition, separate and secret Articles.

These Papers were all read by the Clerk.

Lords Committees appointed to draw up, and state the Fact, as to the Treaty now in Debate, and all Things and Circumstances relating thereunto; and to draw an Address, to be presented to his Majesty thereupon; and report to the House.

*Dux Devon*, *Dominus Seneschal*, *Viscom* *Weymouth*.  
*Dux Bolton*, *Viscom* *Longueville*,  
*Dux Leeds*, *Dominus Willoughby*,  
*March* *Normanby*, *Dominus Lawar*,  
*Co. Peterborough*, *Dominus Ferrars*,  
*Co. Stamford*, *Dominus Wharton*,

*Co. Thanet*,  
*Co. Kingston*,  
*Co. Burlington*,  
*Co. Shaftesbury*,  
*Co. Nottingham*,  
*Co. Rochester*,  
*Co. Abington*,  
*Co. Marlborough*,  
*Co. Romney*,  
*Co. Oxford*,

*Dominus Mohun*,  
*Dominus Culpeper*,  
*Dominus Lexington*,  
*Dominus Berkly*,  
*Dominus Craven*,  
*Dominus Guilford*,  
*Dominus Godolphin*,  
*Dominus Cholmondy*,  
*Dominus Herbert*,  
*Dominus Halifax*.

Their Lordships, or any Five of them, to meet Tomorrow at Eleven of the Clock, in the Prince's Lodgings, near the House of Peers; and to adjourn as they please.

*Sabbati*, 15° Martii.

The Earl of *Nottingham* reported from the Lords Committees appointed to draw up, and state, the Facts, as to the Treaty now in Debate.

That the Committee had met, and thought it proper to set down such Facts as appeared to them; viz.

- 1st, That, by the Treaty of Partition, *Naples*, *Sicily*, &c. were to be given to the *Dauphin*.
- 2d, That the Emperor was not a Party to the Treaty, though principally concerned.
3. That no Minister of the States General met with the Plenipotentiaries of *England* and *France*, as was required by the Powers at the making of the Treaty in *London*.
4. That there were no Instructions in Writing to our Plenipotentiaries, though the Powers were unlimited; and that, if there were verbal Orders given, yet it appears not to us they were considered in any Council.
5. That the Treaty, when perfected, was not considered in any Council before it was ratified.
6. That it appears, that the Warrant for Ratification was countersigned by one of the Plenipotentiaries.
7. That the Treaty was transacted and signed, and the Great Seal affixed to it, during the Sitting of a Parliament.

Then the House, upon Consideration of the First Head in the said Report, agreed to the same, with the Alteration following; viz.

Instead of "given to," read "put into the Hands of."

Then the Second Head was read.

After Debate thereupon, the Question was put, Whether this Paragraph shall stand.

It was resolved in the Negative.

*Dissentient*,

1. Because it is manifest by the Treaty itself, that the Matter of Fact is true.
2. Because the Emperor, as we conceive, had been the most proper to have been treated with on this Occasion; for it was more prudent and safe to have treated with the Emperor to have restrained the Pretensions of *France*, than with *France* to lessen the Dominions of the House of *Austria*; which, in its full Strength, and in Conjunction with the most considerable Powers of *Europe*, and with the Expence of more than Sixty Millions Sterling to our Share, was scarce able to withstand the Arms of *France*.

3dly, But, admitting that the Emperor was not the most proper to be treated with; yet, to prevent the Umbrage which might be taken by uniting too many Dominions under one Prince, especially such a Prince, as, without any Additions, was formidable to all *Europe*; yet, of all others, the Emperor was the most improper to be left out of such a Treaty; for he was most concerned in it; and our Ministers could not, or at least did not, sufficiently support his Interests, or the just Balance of *Europe*: But, on the contrary, as we are informed by One Lord, who signed this Treaty, it was concluded against the express Desire of the Emperor.

*De Longueville*, *Normanby*, *Leeds*,  
*Granville*, *Thanett*, *Nottingham*,  
*Abington*, *Hereford*, *Howard*,  
*Jeffries*, *Weymouth*, *Scarsdale*,  
*Guilford*,



Guilford,  
Tho. Roffen.

Poulet,

Craven,

3 Head. That no Minister of the States General met with the Plenipotentiaries of *England* and *France*, as were required by the Powers at the making the Treaty in *London*.

After Debate, the Question was put, Whether this Paragraph shall stand.

It was resolved in the Negative.

*Dissentient*,

1st, Because the Truth of this Proposition is Reason enough for asserting it; and it must certainly be of fatal Consequence, if Ministers, without any Directions by Instructions in Writing, shall presume to act contrary to the very Commission that impowers them: And, in this Case, the Assistance of the *Dutch* Minister was the more necessary, because the Emperor was no Party to this Treaty; and the States General are more immediately concerned than we are, to promote his Interests.

2dly, Because, if this Treaty was concerted with the *Dutch* Ministers in 1699, before his Majesty's Return into *England*, as was asserted by One of the Lords who signed it afterwards in *London*; then,

1st, This Treaty was made by those who had no Authority to transact it; for the Power was not granted by his Majesty till the Second of January following.

2dly, As they acted without Power, so without Instructions too in Writing; which never was practised in any former Transaction abroad.

Lastly, We conceive, That neither of the foregoing Facts ought, in Reason, according to the Method of Parliament, to be ordered to be omitted; because, till the Committee had formed the Address, pursuant to the Order, it was impossible to know what Use should be made of those Facts; for as they might have been improperly applied, and then would have been justly rejected, so there might have been so great Use made of them, and so opposite to the Design of the House in the intended Address, that it will be improper to omit them.

Leeds,	Thanett,	Granville,
Howard,	Craven,	Normanby,
Weymouth,	Nottingham,	Jeffries,
Abingdon,	Hereford,	De Longueville,
	Tho. Roffen.	

After Consideration of the Report made from the Lords Committees appointed to state Matters of Fact upon the Treaty in Debate, and to draw an Address thereupon; it is *Ordered*, by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, That the Debate in the Fourth Paragraph in the Report, shall be, and is hereby, adjourned till *Monday* next, at Eleven a Clock; and all the Lords summoned.

*Lune*, 17° Martii.

The Order being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Fourth Paragraph in the Report from the Committee appointed to state Matters of Fact, and draw an Address to his Majesty upon the Partition Treaty;

Some Lords of the Council, having his Majesty's Leave, were heard relating to the Treaty: And Mr. Secretary *Vernon* being mentioned;

A Message was sent to the House of Commons, by Sir *John Franklyn*, and Sir *Lacon William Child*, to desire, That they will give Leave to Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, a Member of their House, to come to a Committee of the Lords now sitting in the Prince's Lodgings, to give an Account of some Matters relating to the Treaty of Partition, which their Lordships have now under their Consideration.

*Ordered*, That it be the same Committee as stated the Matters of Fact.

After some time, the Messengers sent to the House of Commons returned this Answer:

That the Commons have given Leave to Mr. Secretary *Vernon* to attend the Committee, as desired, if he thinks fit.

Hereupon the House was adjourned during Pleasure: And the Lords went to the Committee: Which being

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ended, the House was resumed: And the Earl of *Nottingham* gave the House an Account, That the Lords have been at the Committee, and heard Mr. Secretary *Vernon* to the Treaty of Partition.

Then, after reading the Fourth Paragraph, or Matter of Fact, reported from the Committee; and Debate thereupon;

The House agreed as follows;

Whatever verbal Orders or Instructions were given, yet it appears not to us, that the Draught of the Treaty, when perfected, was considered at any Council, when the King was present, or that it was advised or approved by any Council or Committee of Council.

*Ordered*, by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, That the further Consideration of Matters of Fact, in the transacting the Partition Treaty, shall be adjourned till To-morrow at Eleven a Clock.

*Martis*, 18° Martii.

The House went into Debate, pursuant to the Order Yesterday, concerning the Treaty of Partition: And it being proposed,

That it appears, that there were Powers, dated the First of July, to treat with the Emperor, the *Dutch*, and *French* Ministers, for securing the mutual Friendship, upon Terms most suitable to the Circumstances at that Time; and we are informed, That, accordingly, there was some Progress made in that Negotiation; but afterwards there were new Powers granted, the First of January, to treat with the *French* and *Dutch* Ministers only; and the Treaty for the Partition of the *Spanish* Monarchy was concluded without the Emperor.

And after Debate thereupon;

This Question was put, Whether the said Proposals shall go to the Committee, to be one of the Heads for the Address.

It was resolved in the Negative.

*Dissentient*,

Normanby,	Nottingham,	Abingdon,
Granville,	Weymouth,	Guilford.

Then it was further proposed,

That it appears, that the *French* King's Acceptance of the Will of the King of *Spain* is a manifest Violation of the Treaty; and humbly to advise the King, That, in all future Treaties with the *French* King, his Majesty do proceed with such Caution, as may carry along with it a real Security.

After Debate thereupon;

This Question was put, Whether the said Proposal shall go to the said Committee, to be one of the Heads for the Address.

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Dissentient*,

1. Because it may be construed to be an Approbation of the Treaty; which, as we conceive, was not intended by the House.

2dly, Because it is impossible to know the full Meaning and Extent of real Security.

Normanby,	Nottingham,	Weymouth,
Rochester,	Abingdon,	Granville,
Guilford,	Godolphin.	

The Lord Chamberlain acquainted the House, That he had a Message from his Majesty in Writing: Which was read by the Lord Keeper; as followeth;

*William R.*

His Majesty having directed Mr. *Stanhope*, his Envoy Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at the *Hague*, to enter into Negotiations, in Concert with the States General of the *United Provinces*, and other Potentates, for the mutual Security of *England* and *Holland*, and the Preservation of the Peace of *Europe*; and the said Mr. *Stanhope* having transmitted to his Majesty Copies of his Demands, made by himself, and the Deputies of the States, upon that Subject, to the *French* Ambassador there; his Majesty has thought fit to communicate the same to the House of Lords; it being his Majesty's gracious Intention to

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to acquaint ..... from time to time, with the State and Progress of those Negotiations.

Kensington, the 17th March 1701.

1st, The Proposal, made to the French Ambassador by Mr. Stanhope, was read.

2d, Translation of the Resolution of the States General for treating with Mr. D'Avaux, the 22d of March 1701.

Jovis, 20° Martii.

The Earl of Nottingham reported from the Lords Committees appointed to state Matters of Fact upon the Treaty of Partition, and to draw an Address thereupon, That the Committee had accordingly drawn an Address, to be presented to his Majesty: Which was read; and, with one Amendment, agreed to, as follows; viz.

We your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, having read and considered the Treaty <sup>21 February</sup> <sub>3 March</sub> 1700, made with the French King, together with the separate and secret Articles which your Majesty hath been pleased to communicate to us, do, with all Humility, represent to your Majesty, That, to our great Sorrow, we find the Matters thereof to have been of very ill Consequence to the Peace and Safety of Europe: For, besides the Occasion it may have given to the late King of Spain to have made his Will in Favour of the Duke of Anjou, if this Treaty had taken Effect, the Prejudice to your Majesty and your Subjects, and indeed to all Europe, by the Addition of Sicily, Naples, several Ports in the Mediterranean, the Province of Guypuscoa, and the Duchy of Lorraine, had been not only very great, but contrary to the Pretence of the Treaty itself; which was, to prevent any Umbrage which might be taken, by uniting too many States and Dominions under one Head.

And, by all the Informations we have yet had of the Progress of this fatal Treaty, we cannot find, that the verbal Orders and Instructions, if any were given to your Majesty's Plenipotentiaries, were ever considered in any of your Majesty's Councils; or that the Draught of this Treaty was ever laid before your Majesty at any Meeting of your Council; much less, that it was advised or approved by any Council, or Committee of Council.

We therefore think ourselves obliged, in Duty to your Majesty, and Justice to our Country, most humbly to beseech your Majesty, that, for the future, your Majesty will be pleased to require and admit, in all Matters of Importance, the Advice of your natural-born Subjects, whose known Probity and Fortunes may give your Majesty, and your People, a just Assurance of their Fidelity in your Service; and, in order hereunto, to constitute a Council of such Persons, to whom your Majesty may be pleased to impart all Affairs, both at home and abroad, which may any way concern your Majesty, and your Dominions: For, as Interest, and natural Affection to their Country, will incline them to wish the Welfare and Prosperity of it much more than others, who have not such Ties upon them; and as their Experience and Knowledge of their Country will also render them more capable, than Strangers, of advising your Majesty in the true Interests of it; so we are very confident, that, after such large and repeated Demonstrations of your Subjects Duty and Affection, your Majesty cannot doubt of their Zeal in your Service, nor want the Knowledge of Persons fit to be employed in all your most secret and arduous Affairs.

And since it appears, That the French King's accepting of the King of Spain's Will is a manifest Violation of this Treaty; we humbly advise your Majesty, in future Treaties with the French King, to proceed with such Caution, as may carry along with it a real Security.

It being proposed to send to the House of Commons for their Concurrence to the said Address;

And Debate thereupon;

The Question was put, Whether this Address shall be communicated to the House of Commons for their Concurrence.

It was resolved in the Negative.

Dissentient,

Rochester,

W. Oxon,

Devonshire.

1st, Because we conceive, That the last Clause in the Address does necessarily imply a War, and That a very long one, by reason of the Extent, unintelligible, at least to us, of real Security, and the great improbability of obtaining any Terms of that Kind: And since this necessarily implies great Supplies, which cannot be granted without the House of Commons, we think their Concurrence in this Address absolutely necessary; and that 'tis very improper for us to desire That of the King, which, for want of such Concurrence of the Commons, we conceive his Majesty will not think fit or prudent to grant.

2dly, We conceive all the other Parts of the Address very fit to be communicated to the House of Commons; for upon the Success of it depends the future Happiness of this Nation: And as we cannot doubt of the Readiness of the Commons to join in any proper Measures towards it; so we think their Concurrence in it will highly contribute towards the obtaining a gracious Answer from his Majesty: And we cannot but think it reasonable, that the Advice of the whole Nation, assembled in Parliament, should be made known to his Majesty upon this Occasion.

3dly, Having desired the House of Commons to permit Mr. Secretary Vernon, a Member of their House, to come to a Committee of Lords, to inform them of some Matters relating to this Treaty; we apprehend, that the House of Commons may think it extraordinary, and not suitable to the good Correspondence which is highly necessary between the Two Houses, not to acquaint them with the Things which had come to our Knowledge, partly by the Information of their own Member.

4thly, And having been otherwise informed of some Transactions, relating to this Treaty, between the Earl of Portland and Mr. Secretary Vernon, by Letters, of which we have not had a full Account; we think it may be very useful to the Publick to communicate this Address to the Commons, who have better Opportunity, than we have had, of inquiring into this Matter; which seems to be yet in the Dark; and which their own Members may help to explain to them.

Leeds,

Nottingham,

Granville,

Craven,

Thanet,

Kent,

H. London,

Normanby,

Bath,

Abingdon,

Guilford,

Willoughby,

Scarsdale,

Carnarvon,

De Longueville,

Weymouth,

Jeffries,

Hunsden,

N. Duresme,

Tho. Roffen,

Poulett.

Ordered, That the whole House do attend his Majesty with the Address.

Ordered, by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, That the Lords with White Staves do attend his Majesty, humbly to know what time his Majesty will be pleased to appoint for this House to attend him with the Address.

Martis, 25° Martii.

The Lord Keeper reported his Majesty's Answer to the said Address:

My Lords,

This Address contains Matters of very great Moment: I will always take care, That all Treaties I make, shall be for the Honour and Safety of England.

Ordered, That the said Report do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Ordered, That all the Members of the House do attend the Service of this House upon Saturday Morning next, upon Pain of incurring the Displeasure of the House. Members summoned.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That Mr. \* Jeffries, and Mr. \* Perks, touching whom the House did Yesterday resolve upon an Address to be made to his Majesty, Persons absconded from Custody surrender.

Majesty for the issuing his Royal Proclamation for the Apprehending of them, have surrendered themselves to the Serjeant.

*Ordered*, That the Names of the said Mr. *Jeffries* and Mr. *Perks* be left out of the said Proclamation.

Other  
persons  
abscond;

The Serjeant at Arms being called upon to give an Account of what he had done in Execution of the Orders of the House, for the Taking of Mr. *William Adye* and Mr. *William Clifton*; he acquainted the House, That his Messengers had been at the said Mr. *Adye's* and Mr. *Clifton's* Houses, and searched for them; and that, at Mr. *Adye's* House, the Messenger was informed, That the said Mr. *Adye* had not been at home for Ten Days; and could have no Account where he was; and that, at the said Mr. *Clifton's*, the Messenger was informed, That the said Mr. *Clifton* was gone into *Holland*; so that neither of them can be apprehended.

Address for  
Proclama-  
tion.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will please to issue his Royal Proclamation for the apprehending the said Mr. *William Adye* and Mr. *William Clifton*; promising a Reward for the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House, as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Privilege of  
a Member in  
a Suit.

Mr. *Weld* attending in his Place, according to Order; The Petition of Sir *Paul Pindar* Baronet, presented to the House Yesterday, was read; setting forth, That the Petitioner's Father and Mother died about Eleven Years since, leaving the Petitioner, an Infant of about Nine Years of Age, a real Estate of 1,200 *l.* per Annum, and a very considerable personal Estate, which the said Mr. *Weld* has managed and received as the Petitioner's Guardian: That the Petitioner is advised to call his Guardian to an Account; who, being a Member, has declared he will not insist upon his Privilege: And praying, That the House will give Leave for the Petitioner to proceed against the said Mr. *Weld*, to call him to an Account for what he has received as the Petitioner's Guardian.

To which the said Mr. *Weld* being heard, declared he did not insist upon his Privilege.

Estimates for  
fortifying  
Harbours and  
Dock-yards.

*Ordered*, That an Abstract of the Estimates for securing his Majesty's Harbours and Dock-yards at *Chatham*, *Portsmouth* and *Plymouth*; and the Estimates and Plans for that Purpose; be referred to the Consideration of the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty: And that the Engineers, and Officers of the Ordnance, do attend the said Committee upon *Friday* Morning next.

Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into the said Committee of the whole House.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 27° die Martii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

Ashford  
Workhouse.

**ORDERED**, That Sir *Thomas Hales* be added to the Members who are appointed to prepare, and bring in, the Bill for erecting an Hospital and Work-house at *Ashford* in the County of *Kent*, for the better Employing and Maintenance of the Poor.

Nottingham  
Workhouses.

A Petition of the Mayor and Burgesses of the Town of *Nottingham*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Poor of the said Town daily increase, to the great Charge of the Inhabitants: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for raising a Stock, and erecting Work-houses within the said Town, for employing the Poor thereof.

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*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Pierpoint* and Mr. *Gregory* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of all Grants made between the 6th Day of February 1684, and the 5th Day of November 1688.

And the Title thereof was read:

And the Account is as followeth; viz.

May 1695.

A Grant to *John South* Esquire, of the Messuages and Lands of *Richard Nelthorp*, outlawed for High Treason, *Com' Nottingham*; *habend'* during the Life of the said *Nelthorp*.

June 1685.

A Grant to *Henry Hillyard* Esquire, and his Heirs, of the derelict Lands, called the *Fittys*, between the Lordship of *Marshchappell* and *Northcotes*, and the Sea, *Com' Lincoln*, at the yearly Rent of 5 *l.*

A Grant to Queen Dowager of 6,000 *l.* per Annum, out of the Exchequer, for her Life.

A Lease to the Mayor and Burgesses of *Newcastle*, of the old Castle there, for 31 Years, after a Lease to the Earl of *Macclesfield*; rendering 100 Chaldrons of Coals, yearly, to the Hospital at *Chelsea*.

July 1695.

A Grant to *Henry Fitz-James* Esquire, of a yearly Rent-charge of 1,000 *l.* out of Lands in *Ireland*, during his Life.

The like to *James Fitz-James* Esquire, during his Life.

August 1685.

A Grant to *William Ellesden*, his Wife, and Four Children, during their Lives, of an Annuity of 100 *l.* per Annum, out of the Customs at *Lyme*.

A Grant to the Earl of *Rochester, et al'* during the Life of *Mary* Queen Consort, in Trust for her, of the Manor of *East-Greenwich*, the House and Parks in *Kent*, the Manor of *Eye* in *Suffolk*, and the Manors and Lands which 31° *Car. 2di*, had been granted to Trustees for the Earl of *Plymouth*, the Manor of *Greenwich*, except such Part as is granted to the Hospital, and other Estates, to the Value of about 5,000 *l.* per Annum.

Another Grant to the same Trustees, during the Life of the said Queen *Mary*, in Trust for her, of several Manors and Lands, and 9,528 *l.* 13 *s.* and 7 *d.* per Annum, out of the Post Office, and 8,000 *l.* per Annum, out of the Excise; which were settled by the King, when Duke of *York*, for her Jointure; and 10,000 *l.* per Annum, more, out of the Excise; and 10,000 *l.* per Annum, more, out of the Post Office.

October 1685.

A Grant to the then Queen Consort, of 10,000 *l.* per Annum, more, for her Life, out of the Exchequer.

November 1685.

A Grant to *Amias Hext*, and his Wife, of 100 *l.* per Annum each, out of the Customs, for their respective Lives: This, upon Surrender of 200 *l.* per Annum granted by King *Charles* the 2d, to the Wife of *Hext*, for Life.

A Grant to *Hugh Noden*, of Lands in *Bermudas*, forfeited to King *Charles* the 2d, by *Row*, *Holland*, and *Danvers*.

A Grant of *St. James's* House to the Consort of the late King *James* during Life.

January 1685.

A Grant to the Duchess of *Bucclugh*, of *More-Park*, with the Appurtenances, in *Com' Hertford*, forfeited by the Attainder of the Duke of *Monmouth*.

March 1685.

A Grant to the Countess of *Dorchester*, of certain Quit-rents in *Ireland*, to the Value of 5,000 *l.* per Annum, for her Life; rendering 1,500 *l.* per Annum Rent in *Ireland*.

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May

Grants from  
the Crown.

May 1686.

A Grant to the Lord *Cornbury* and *Cha. Boyle* Esquire, of *Petersham* Lodge, *Com' Surry*, computed at 40 *l.* per Annum.

July 1686.

A Grant unto *Nicholas Yates*, and his Heirs, of 100 *l.* per Annum, out of the Exchequer.

October 1686.

A Grant to Sir *Richard Allibon*, of Two Annuities of 40 *l.* per Annum, each, granted to *Richard* and *Robert Petre*, for their Lives, and forfeited to his Majesty.

November 1686.

A Grant and Confirmation to *Philip Walgrave* Esquire, and his Heirs, of *Langenhoe* Manor, *Com' Essex*, with the Oyster Fishings there, at 6 *s.* 8 *d.* per Annum Rent.

December 1686.

A Grant unto *Littleton Powell*, of the Fines payable in the *King's Bench*, for 31 Years, from *Michaelmas* 1684, at 13 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.* per Annum Rent.

A Grant to the Duke of *Richmond* and *Lenox*, of 5,000 *l.* per Annum, during Life.

A Grant to Colonel *Fairfax*, and his Heirs, of 100 *l.* per Annum, out of the Customs of the Port of *Kingston* upon *Hull*, in lieu of a like Grant by King *Charles* the 2d, which became void.

January 1686.

A Grant to the Earl of *Rochester*, and his Heirs, of the Lordship and Manor of *Chivington*, in the County of *Northumberland* and *Durham*, late the Possession of *Ford Lord Grey*.

A Grant to the said Earl of 4,000 *l.* per Annum, out of the Post Office, for 99 Years, if he, and *Henry Viscount Hyde*, his eldest Son, shall so long live.

A Grant to *Edward Jennings*, and his Heirs, of Sir *Robert Peyton's* House in *Little Lincoln's-Inn Fields*, forfeited for Treason, at 6 *s.* 8 *d.* per Annum Rent.

A Grant to Sir *Rich. Allibone*, and his Heirs, of several Lands and Possessions, late Sir *Robert Peyton's*, lying in *East Barnet*, and *Tryern Barnet*, *Com' Hertford* and *Middlesex*.

A Grant to *John Lord Churchill*, and his Heirs, of the real and personal Estate of *John Hucker*, late of *Taunton*, forfeited for Treason, at 6 *s.* 8 *d.* per Annum.

February 1686.

A Grant to *Henry Dawney* and *James Ramsden*, and their Heirs, of the Manor of *Coppingthorp*, *Com' York*, formerly the Possession of Sir *Mich. Livesy*, and *Augustine Garland*, forfeited for Treason.

March 1686.

A Grant to *Francis Lord Carrington*, and *Wm. Brent* Esquire, in Fee, of Fourteen Messuages in *Queen-street*, late the Possession of *Wm. Harcourt*, alias *Harrison*, executed for Treason.

A Confirmation of a Grant of 100 *l.* per Annum, out of the Exchequer, to *Nicholas Tettersell*, for the Residue of 99 Years, if *Nicholas Tettersell* his Son, and *Susanna Goring* his Daughter, shall so long live.

April 1687.

A Grant, in Fee, to Sir *Theophilus Oglethorpe*, of the real and personal Estate of *Reginald Tucker*, late of *Long Sutton*, *Com' Somerset*, forfeited for Treason.

May 1687.

A Grant unto *Francis Plowden*, and his Heirs, of the Site of the late dissolved Monastery of *Furneis*, and other Hereditaments, *Com' Lancaster*, late the Possession of Sir *Tho. Preston*, subject to several Rents and Duties.

July 1687.

A Grant to *Thomas Arundell*, and his Heirs, of *Highwood* Farm, with its Appurtenances, *Com' Southampton*, late the Possession of *John Ayliffe*, outlawed for Treason, at 6 *s.* 8 *d.* per Annum Rent.

August 1687.

A Grant to *Lewis Earl of Feversham*, and his Heirs, of a Moiety of the Manor of *Moiles-Court*, *Com' Southampton*, and all other the Estates real and personal,

either of *Alice Lisle* Widow, or *John Lisle* her Husband, both attainted for High Treason.

November 1687.

A Grant to *James Grahme* Esquire, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, of the Rangership of *Bagshot Park*, *Com' Surry*, with the Lodge, Coney-warren, Woods, and other Advantages there, and a Salary of 5 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.* per Annum, payable at the Exchequer.

December 1687.

A Grant to *Thomas Robson*, of the *Lamb-Inn*, in the Parish of *St. Clement's-Danes*, *Com' Middlesex*, and all other the Lands and Tenements found by Inquisition to be the Estate of *Bevis Lloyd* in the said County, who was indebted to his Majesty.

February 1687.

A Grant unto *Richard Beauvoir*, of all the Manors, Lands, Goods, and Chattels, accrued to the King by the Outlawry of Sir *Robert Viner* for Debt, at the Suit of *Wm. Edwards* Esquire.

March 1687.

A Grant unto *Laurence Earl of Rochester*, and *Henry Viscount Hyde*, his eldest Son, for their Lives, successively, of the Office of Keeper of *Richmond Park*, *Com' Surry*, with the Herbage and Pannage thereof, and other Privileges and Advantages thereto belonging.

A Grant unto *Bryan Ayliffe*, of Three Messuages in the *Old Bailey*, late the Estate of Sir *Robert Peyton*, outlawed for Treason, in Consideration of 100 *l.* paid into the Exchequer.

A Grant unto *Edward Freke, et al'*, of the forfeited Estate of *Matthew Bragg*, *Com' Devon*, attainted of Treason, for the Use of the Wife and Children of the said *Bragg*.

A Grant unto *Anne Duchess of Buccugh*, of a Piece of Ground, with a Capital Messuage thereon, in *Soho-square*, for 52 Years, to commence from *Michaelmas* 1734, at 20 *s.* per Annum Rent.

A Grant unto *Richard Allibone*, of several Parcels of Land in *Hadleigh* and *Laham*, *Com' Suffolk*, Thirteen Messuages in the Parish of *Christ-Church, Surry*, and all other Tenements within the Manor of *Paris Garden*, *Com' Surry*, Parcel of the Possession of Sir *Robert Peyton*, outlawed for Treason.

May 1688.

A Grant unto *George Lord Jeffries*, of the Estate of *Dudley Rowse* Esquire, extended for Satisfaction of Monies unaccounted for to his Majesty, being found to die seized of the Manor of *Brudenells*, and other Lands, *Com' Bucks*.

June 1688.

A Grant unto *Nathanael Hornby* of all the personal Estate belonging to *John Wildman*, by virtue of any Grant or Demise made by the late Duke of *Bucks*, forfeited to his Majesty by the Outlawry of the said *Wildman*.

A Grant unto Sir *John Coell*, and his Assigns, in Trust for the Lord *Dover*, for 200 *l.* paid into the Exchequer, of Two Closes called *Brookfield*, Parcel of the Bailiwick or Manor of *St. James's*.

July 1688.

A Grant unto *Geo. Scott*, and his Heirs, of certain Lands in *Essex*, late the Estate of *Wm. Tonkin*, attainted of High Treason: This . . . . Consideration of 200 *l.* paid into the Exchequer.

A Grant unto *Sidney Lord Godolphin*, of the Keepership of *Cranburne Chace*, the Lodge and Woods there, and of the Offices of Steward and Bailiff of the Manor and Lands late the Possession of the Lord *Sands*, *Com' Berks*, for 31 Years from the Date.

A Grant unto Sir *Edward Herbert*, of the House and Park of *Oatlands*, *Com' Surry*, for 67 Years, from the Determination of a Term in being, at 20 *s.* Rent.

A Grant to *Francis Plumley*, and others, of all the forfeited Estate, real and personal, of *William Plumley*, attainted of Treason.



A Grant to *William Whitmore*, and his Heirs, of the King's Title to *Hurstly Manor and Farm*, with its Appurtenances, *Com' Hereford*, late the Possession of *Robert Wallop*, attainted of High Treason.

August 1688.

A Grant to Lieutenant Colonel *John Hope*, and others, of the Estate, real and personal, of several Persons in a List named, who were attainted of Treason, in Trust to dispose of the same to such Uses as the King, or the Lords of the Treasury, shall direct.

A Grant to *Thomas Earl of Aylesbury*, of a Debt of 25,475*l.* 12*s.* 11*d.* owing to his Majesty from *John Waldo* and Partners; and all the Estate of the said *Waldo* and Partners liable to be extended for the same.

September 1688.

A Grant unto Sir *Theophilus Oglethorpe*, of the Manor of *Henton Magna*, with its Appurtenances, *Comitatu Hunt'*, Parcel of the Possession of *Valentine Walton*, attainted of Treason; *habend'* for 21 Years, at 200*l.* per Annum Rent.

October 1688.

A Grant and Demise to *John Lord North and Grey*, Grants from and *Catharine* his Wife, of certain derelict Lands in the the Crown. County of *Kent* and *Essex*, for 71 Years from the Date, rendering a Third Part of the Profits.

November 1688.

A Grant to Sir *Peter Parvaquin*, of the Navy Office in *Seething Lane*, for 99 Years, at a Pepper-corn Rent: This, in Consideration of 8,500*l.* paid into the Exchequer.

*Wm. Lowndes.*

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Mr. *Blathwaite*, according to Order, presented to the Army House an Account of the Vacancies in the Army; and how they have been filled up since the 25th Day of December 1699.

And the Title thereof was read :

And the Account is as followeth ; viz.

The Earl of *Jersey*, Secretary of State.

Regiments.	Vacancies.	How supplied.
Royal Regiment of Fusileers - -	Captain Seaton deceased - -	By Captain John Bickerstaffe, upon Half-pay in Selwyn's Regiment, 8 <sup>o</sup> January 1700.
Oxford Horse - -	Cornet Fielding, made Captain upon the Surrender of Captain Cornwall - -	By William Bray, 8 <sup>o</sup> March.
Fox Foot - -	Major Musgrave, deceased - -	By Robert Collingwood, Captain in the same Regiment, 18 <sup>o</sup> March; and his Company by Lieutenant Richard Oxenden, in the same Regiment, 28 <sup>o</sup> March.
Ditto - -	Captain Booth, deceased - -	By Geo. Harrison, late Lieutenant in Holt's Regiment, in Half-pay; made Lieutenant in Fox's Regiment, and afterwards Captain, in the room of Booth, 2d April.
Selwin's Foot - -	Captain Fairborn, surrendered - -	By Robert Gardner, Lieutenant in the same Regiment, 22d March; and his Commission given to Robert Wansborough, Ensign upon Half-pay in the same Regiment, 22d March.
First Regiment of Foot Guards - -	Captain Lieutenant Strode, deceased - -	By Captain Henry Wortley, on Half-pay in Row's Regiment, 2d February.
Ditto - -	Captain Johnson, deceased - -	By Tho. Stringer, Major in Sir M. Bridge's Regiment, 22 April.
Ditto - -	Sir John Delavall, Captain, surrendered - -	By Geo. Etheridge, Lieutenant and Quarter-master in the same Regiment, 13 June; and his Lieutenant's Commission given to Newce Jenkins, 13 June; and his Quarter-master's Commission to John Bibby, 13 June.
Ditto - -	Lieutenant Gripigny, surrendered - -	By Henry Brown, 13 June.
Ditto - -	A Second Lieutenant added to the King's Company - -	By Henry Smith, Ensign in the same Regiment, 13 June; and his Commission given to Robert Rich, 10th June.
Third Troop of Horse Guards - -	Brigadier Bew, dismissed - -	By Raymond Hensberg, Sub Brigadier in the same Troop, 6 May; and his Commission given to Henry Miget, private Gentleman of the same Troop, 6 May.
Ditto - -	Exempt Monger, deceased - -	By Francis Darcy Savage, Sub Brigadier of the same Troop, the 6 May.
Macclesfield's Horse	Cornet John Harrison, deceased - -	By Geo. Harrison, 27 May.
Raby's Dragoons - -	Lieutenant Baxter, deceased - -	By John Richardson, late Lieutenant of the same Regiment, upon Half-pay, 21 June.

*James Vernon*, Esquire, Secretary of State.

Regiments.	Vacancies.	How supplied.
Oxford Horse - -	Captain Cornwall, surrendered - -	By Geo. Fielding Cornet in the same Regiment, 17 January 1700.
Ditto - -	Captain Millington, surrendered - -	By Francis Byng, Cornet in the same Regiment, the 5th December 1700; and his Commission given to Martin Temple, private Gentleman in the same Regiment, 5 December.
Arran Horse - -	Captain Lieutenant Bristo, deceased - -	By Walter Brudenell, Lieutenant in the same Regiment, 25 March; and his Commission given to Cornet Leeds, of the same Regiment, 25 March; and his Commission given to Daniel Crispin, late Adjutant to the same Regiment, 25 March.

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Churchill's



Regiments.	Vacancies.	How supplied.
Churchill's Foot -	Ensign Ascogh, deceased -	By Tho. Pope, late Adjutant in the same Regiment, 15 January.
Ditto - - -	Captain Gough, deceased -	By Joshua Churchill, late Captain in the same Regiment, upon Half-pay, 19th December.
Trelawny's Foot -	Major Caryll, deceased -	By Sidney Godolphin, formerly Lieutenant Colonel to Sir Bevil Granville; 17 April.
Ditto - - -	Lieutenant Bland, deceased -	By Leonard Fish, late Lieutenant in the same Regiment, in Half-pay, 19 April.
Lumlye's Horse -	Cornet Norris, deceased -	By John Usher, late Cornet in Leigh's Dragoons, in Half-pay, 24 June.
First Regiment of Foot Guards -	Captain George Villers, surrendered -	By William Bretton, Lieutenant in the same Regiment, 3d July; and his Commission given to Philip Dormer, 2d July.
Ditto - - -	Lieutenant Cage, surrendered -	By William Wilks, 3d July.
Ditto - - -	Lieutenant Villeneuf, deceased -	By William West, Ensign in the same Regiment, 25 October; and his Commission given to Tho. Brown, late Lieutenant in Mor-dant's Regiment in Half-pay, 25 October.
Royal Regiment of Fusileers - -	Adjutant Lowe, dismissed -	By Gervas Parker, late Lieutenant in the same Regiment, in Half-pay, 17 November.
First Troop of Horse Guards - -	Lieutenant Staples, surrendered -	By Sharrington Davenport, Major Windham's Regiment, 3 December; and his Commission given to Philip Chenevix, Exempt to the First Troop of Guards, 3 December; and his Commission given to Arthur Appasley, Brigadier of the same Troop, 30 January 1700-1; and his Commission given to Charles Dilks, Sub Brigadier of the same Troop. 30 January; and his Commission given to John Bornes, private Gentleman of the same Troop, 30 January.
Ditto - - -	Cornet Morgan, sur-rendered - -	By Lord Lovelace, Guidon in the same Troop, the 3d December; and his Commission given to Robert Dormer, Cornet in Wind-ham's Regiment, 3 December,
Coldstream Regiment of Guards.	Captain Clint, deceased	By John Hobart, late Lieutenant Colonel in Brudenell's Regiment, in Half-pay, 30 January.
The Company of Foot in Newfoundland -	A Captain added there, none before -	By John Powell, late Captain in the Duke of Bolton's Regiment, in Half-pay, 27 February.
Ditto - - -	Lieutenant Lilborne, dismissed -	By Samuel Francis, late Ensign in Brudenell's Regiment, in Half-pay, 10 March.
Ditto - - -	Ensign Haven, dis-mitted - -	Supplied as Second Lieutenant, by Thomas Lloyd, late Ensign in Brudenell's Regiment, in Half-pay, 16 March.

Sir James Hedges, Secretary of State.

Regiments.	Vacancies.	How supplied.
First Troop of Horse Guards - -	Sub Brigadier Satch-field, deceased -	By Edmund Wright, private Gentleman in the same Troop, the 14th of November.
Windham's Carbineers	Cornet Dormer, made Guidon of the First Troop of Guards -	By Francis Godfrey, formerly an Officer in Colonel Godfrey's Re-giment, 14 December.
First Regiment of Foot Guards.	Ensign Goff, deceased	By Henry Killigrew, late Lieutenant in Brudenell's Regiment in Half-pay, 26 December.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Norwich  
Small Debts.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, Common Council, and chief Inhabitants of the City of *Norwich*, and County of the same, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That it is found by Experience, that the erecting a Court of Conscience in the City of *London*, for determining all Matters of Debts or Actions, under the Value of 40*s.* hath been of great Advantage to the poorer Sort of Inhabitants thereof: That the City of *Norwich* is very populous; and many poor Inhabitants therein, for want of the like good Establishment there, are often prosecuted in vexatious Suits, and imprisoned for small Debts; the Charges whereof, many times, amount to more than the Debt; whereby whole Families are ruined, the Gaols filled with miserable Debtors, and the Parish Charges increased for their Support: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for establishing a Court of Conscience at *Norwich*, as it is in *London*.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Blofield*, Sir *Jacob Ashley*, and Sir *Samuel Barnardiston*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

A Petition of *Jane Dring*, an Infant, Proprietor of all the Houses adjoining on the South Side of the new Street or Way out of *Chancery-lane* to *Lincoln's-Inn-Fields*, on behalf of herself and Tenants, by *Thomas Burdikin* her Guardian, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by an Act made the last Session of Parliament, for making the said new Way; and making Satisfaction to *Shem Bridges*, and *John Thornicroft* Esquires, and others, Proprietors of the Ground and Houses upon and near the said new Way, as should be damnified, the old Passage, called *Jackanapes-alley*, was vested in *Cavendish Weedon*, and others, to be sold; and also 3,000*l.* was to be raised for that Purpose, as by the said Act is directed: That the Petitioner hath expended, in making good the Walls and Repairs of her Houses, damaged by making the said new Way, 348*l.* besides other considerable Damages thereby; for Satisfaction whereof, the Petitioner have \* applied to Mr. *Weeden*, and other the Trustees, who allege, That the Provision made by the said Act will not be more than sufficient to make Satisfaction to Mr. *Bridges* and Mr. *Thornicroft*: And praying, That Satisfaction may be made to the Petitioner for the said Damage by her sustained, by reason of the said new Way.

\* Sic Orig. Ordered,

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Cavendish Weedon Esquire* is referred.

Resumption  
of Grants.

A Petition of *Hugh Merchant* and *Huntley Bigg* Gentlemen, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That his Majesty, by Letters Patents, of the 8th of March, in the 6th Year of his Reign, did grant to the Petitioners and others, the Common Sewers Water in the Weekly Bills of Mortality, for driving Overshot Mills, for serving several Places of the Town with *Thames* Water; and by other Letters Patents, dated the 22d of May, in the Eighth Year of his Reign, did, for promoting so good and publick a Work, grant Licence to the Petitioners to build upon their own Ground, several Overshot Mills, and Water-works, and to lay Pipes in the Streets, and supply the Inhabitants with Water at reasonable Rates: That the Petitioners have been at great Charges in completing the said Undertaking; and hitherto have had but little or no Recompence for the same: And praying, That a Clause may be inserted in the Bill for Resumption of Grants, for saving the Petitioners Rights in the said Grants.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill is committed.

Davison's  
Estate.

A Petition of *Alexander Davison*, *Thomas Davison*, *Charles Davison*, and *Margaret Davison*, on behalf of themselves, and of *William*, *Joseph*, and *James Davison*, their Brothers under the Age of 21 Years, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *William Davison Esquire*, the Petitioners Father, having Issue *Ralph* his eldest Son, besides the Petitioners, in June 1687, made his Will; and devised 400*l.* apiece to the Petitioners, to be paid at 21, out of the Profits of certain Coal-mines in *Durham*, which, without another Estate, came to the Petitioners eldest Brother; who died; and he, by his Will, subjected both those Estates to pay the said Legacies, and his Debts; and entailed the *Residuum*: That the said Colliery is almost wrought out; and the said Debts and Legacies cannot be raised without Sale of the whole Premises; which cannot be effected without an Act of Parliament, by reason of the said Entail: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for Sale of the said Estates, for Payment of the Debts and Portions charged thereupon.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that *Sir Humphry Mackworth*, and *Mr. Thomas Conyers*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Resumption  
of Grants.

A Petition of *Henry De Nassau D'Aucquerque* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That his Majesty was pleased to grant the Petitioner certain Lands in *Cornwall*, and *Wales*, in Consideration of his long and faithful Services; who, ever since the Revolution, has fixed himself and Family in *England*, and made Alliances of Marriages, and settled the said Lands: And praying, That a Clause may be inserted in the Bill of Resumption, for saving the Petitioner's Right in the said Grant.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Deale  
Waterworks.

A Petition of *William Warner* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, having Liberty from the Archbishop of *Canterbury*, and a Lease for 99 Years from the Town of *New Deale* in the County of *Kent*, to enable him to erect Water-works for the Use of the Inhabitants, and his Majesty's Navy, and other Ships arriving in the *Downes*, hath expended above 1,600*l.* in the said Undertaking, which may effectually be completed within Two Months time; but *William Ryder Esquire* hath obtained Leave to bring in

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a Bill for supplying the said Town with fresh Water, notwithstanding his Bill for that Purpose, the last Session, was rejected, upon a Petition of the Inhabitants of the said Town against the same: And praying, that the Petitioner may be heard by his Counsel, against the now Bill in this House.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee to whom the said Bill is committed.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had, pursuant to their Address, given Order for issuing his Royal Proclamation for apprehending *Mr. John Glover*, *Mr. Alexander Cutting*, *Mr. William Adye*, and *Mr. William Clifton*. Answer to Address.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a Letter from the Trustees for Sale of the *Irish* forfeited Estates; That, immediately upon the Receipt of the Order of this House, for Two of them to attend this House, they had appointed *Mr. Amesly* and *Mr. Trenchard* for that Service; who would repair to *London* with all convenient Speed, and there attend the further Pleasure of this House. Commissioners of Irish Forfeitures.

Mr. Speaker, also acquainted the House, That he, with the House, did Yesterday present to his Majesty their Address: And that his Majesty was pleased to give this gracious Answer: Answer to Address.

Gentlemen,

I am glad you are pleased with my communicating to you the State of the Negotiations I have entered into, pursuant to your Address: I shall continue to inform you of the Progress that shall be made in them, and be always willing to receive your Advice thereupon; being fully persuaded, that nothing can contribute more effectually to the Happiness of this Kingdom, and the Peace of *Europe*, than the Concurrence of the Parliament in all my Negotiations, and a good Understanding between me and my People.

The House being informed, That \* *Bolton*, who was ordered to attend, could not be found; and that he, having been a Prisoner, was bailed by very insufficient Persons; some of which, upon Inquiry concerning them, were not to be heard of; A Person ordered to attend not to be found.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Edward Whitaker*, Solicitor to the Admiralty, do attend this House To-morrow Morning, in relation to the Bailing of the said \* *Bolton*.

*Sir Humphrey Mackworth*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, who were appointed to sort the Papers delivered in from the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, relating to Captain *Kidd*, and report to the House what of them related to the said Captain *Kidd*: That they had sorted the same accordingly, and divided the same into Two Parcels; those which relate, and those which do not relate, to the said Captain *Kidd*: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table. Kidd's Piracies.

Then Captain *Kidd*'s private Examinations, taken before the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, were read.

And Captain *Kidd* being brought by the Keeper of *Newgate*, according to Order, was called in:

And the Petition of *Cogi Babba*, formerly presented to the House, was again read.

And the said Captain *Kidd* was examined.

And then he withdrew.

And several Letters from the Earl of *Bellmont*, and also from Captain *Kidd*, were read.

And he was again called in; and examined.

And then withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Captain *Kidd* be remanded to the Prison of *Newgate*.

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Resolved,

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, take into Consideration the Patent, Commissions, and Instructions to Captain *Kidd*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Edmund Harrison*, named in the said Examinations and Letters, do attend this House To-morrow Morning.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris*, 28° die Martii;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

A BILL for the further Relief and employing the London Poor in the City of *London*, and punishing Vagrants Relief. and idle Persons, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

The Lord *Coningsby*, according to Order, presented to the House a general Account of all Monies received or paid by *Charles Fox* Esquire, and the Lord *Coningsby*, from the 5th of June 1690, to the last Day of December 1697; and what has been issued to them from that time to the 25th Day of December 1699.

And the Title thereof was read.

And the Account is as followeth.

A general ACCOUNT or Abstract of all Moneys received and paid by *Charles For*, Esquire, and *Thomas Lord Cuninghby*, as joint Paymasters of his Majesty's Forces in *Ireland*; and what has been issued to them from that time to the 25th of December 1699.

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RECEIPTS.		£.	s.	d.
From the late Paymaster.	Received by the Accountants from <i>William Harbord</i> Esquire, the preceding Paymaster, being Money issued to him for the Use of the Forces in <i>Ireland</i> , and remaining in his Hands the 5th of June 1690	41,175	0	0
	Received by them more at the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer in <i>England</i> , by way of Imprest, and on Account, for the Service of the Forces on the Establishment for <i>Ireland</i> , from the 5th of June 1690, to the 31st of December 1697.	2,736,426	12	0½
Exchequer Charge.	Received from the Produce of his Majesty's Revenue in <i>Ireland</i> , from the 5th of June 1690, to the 29th of September 1692; to which time the said Revenue was applicable to the Discharge of the <i>English</i> Establishment for the Service of <i>Ireland</i> , and accounted for there	266,622	16	9½
	Received by the Deduction of 12d. per Pound from the Pay of the Forces employed in the Reduction of <i>Ireland</i>	85,940	11	5
Revenue in <i>Ireland</i> .	Received from the Deduction of One Day's Pay per Annum, on Account of the Hospital, out of the Pay of the said Forces	13,497	5	5
	Received by Profits on Guineas received from the Exchequer, or bought up here at the current Prices, and sent into <i>Ireland</i> , and paid at a higher Value	99,437	0	0
Voluntary Charge.	Received by Profit on Money taken up in <i>Ireland</i> , for which Bills of Exchange were given, payable in <i>London</i> , according to the Course of Exchange	21,570	3	7
	Received for the Interest of 21,757 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i> in Tallies on Wines, Vinegar, &c. struck in Discharge of a Contract for the clothing several Regiments from the Date of the said Tallies to the Times of the Delivery thereof to the Contractors for the said Clothing	3,634	3	11½
	Received by Pewter and Copper Money coined by the late King <i>James</i> , and found in the Mint and Treasury at <i>Dublin</i>	210	9	0
	Received from the Treasurer of the Navy	1,097	9	5½
	Received from the Earl of <i>Ranelagh</i> , for Transport Service	15,000	0	0
		8,750	0	0
		149,700	2	10
		3,193,924	11	8

*Mem.* That all Monies received or paid, as by this Abstract, has been regularly accounted for in Three distinct Accounts: The First of which being for 1,480,370*l.* 16*s.* 7*d.* contains all Receipts and Payments during the War of *Ireland*, and was passed in the Year 1693, soon after the Conclusion: The Second Account, amounting to 302,890*l.* 4*s.* 3½*d.*; contains all Money received or paid for the Use of the *Danish* Forces, from the 4th of November 1689, when they entered into his Majesty's Service, to the 30th of March 1692, at which time they were taken off from the *Irish* Establishment, which was also passed about the same time: The Third Account, being for 1,309,441*l.* 12*s.* 11½*d.* consists of all Payments to the Regiments that had served in *Ireland*, on Account of the Arrears which appeared due to them to the 31st of March 1692, and for the Transport Service, afterwards carried on to the End of the Year 1697. All which Accounts have been regularly passed with the Auditors of the Imprest, and declared before the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury: Since which time there has been received the Sum of 33,473*l.* 12*s.* 9*d.* for Transport Service, and towards the Disbanding of the Three *French* Regiments of Foot in *Ireland*; for which last mentioned Service there has been sent over into *Ireland*, and issued to those Regiments there, the Sum of 12,000*l.* with the Advantage of Exchange, pursuant to the Directions of this House; and the Remainder paid over to the Commissioners of Transports, &c. here: For all which a regular Account will be prepared and passed, as soon as the Vouchers for what has been paid to the *French* Regiments in *Ireland* come over, which are sent for, and daily expected here.

P A Y M E N T S.		£.	s.	d.
Paid to General Officers, according to the Establishment, and several Warrants -		38,768	17	10
Paid to several Regiments of Horse, Foot, and Dragoons, for their Pay, according to the Establishment and Muster Rolls and several Warrants -		753,491	19	1½
Paid to several Regiments on Account of Subsistence, and Off- reckonings First of April 1692, the Determination of the Establishment for Ireland; and is deducted from them by the Earl of Ranelagh in their Accounts from that time -		50,465	10	2
Paid to several for Clothing provided for the Army in Ireland, and placed to the several Accounts of the Regiments to whom they were delivered there -		63,334	7	10
Paid to his Grace the Duke of Schonberg and Leinster, and Monsieur D' Auerquerque, for providing Recruit Horses -		20,620	7	6
Paid for the Allowances made to the several Regiments of Horse and Dragoons for Recruit Horses, and to the several Regiments of Foot for Levy-money for the annual Raising of Recruits, and to several Officers of the Army for respited Pay; and several other Allowances and Contingencies relating to the Army, pursuant to several Warrants; and the Particulars at large set forth in the Accounts passed before the Auditor -		128,765	12	1½
<b>Dutch Forces.</b>				
Paid to Jacob Vanderech Esquire, on Account of the Pay of the foreign Troops under his Care -		1,556,497	17	7½
		364,359	3	10½
<b>Danish Forces.</b>				
Paid to the Danish Forces, in full of their Pay, from the 4th of November 1689, when they entered into his Majesty's Service, to the 31st of March 1692, according to the Establishment, and particular Account thereof passed before Mr. Auditor Bridges -		302,890	4	3½
Paid to several English and French Reformed Officers on Account of their Half-pay, or several Allowances, pursuant to Establishments, and several Warrants -		38,097	6	9½
Paid to several Officers, &c. who deserted from the Enemy, or came into his Majesty's Service upon the Capitulation of Lymrick, pursuant to several Warrants -		13,073	9	4½
Paid to several Officers of the Hospital for their Salaries and for Medicaments, and other Necessaries provided for the Use of the said Hospitals -		21,801	18	8
<b>Hospitals.</b>				
Paid to Commissioners of Sick and Wounded -		2,783	16	4
Paid to the Commissioners of Transportation for which they are to account -		450,983	11	1½
<b>Money Imprest to several Persons for which they are to account.</b>				
Paid to the Office of Ordnance, and Trains of Artillery in Ireland -		97,188	6	4½
Paid Isaac Pereira Esquire, for providing Bread for the Use of the Army -		119,805	17	9
Paid to William Robinson, and Barth. Vanhemrig Esquire for Provisions -		26,042	14	5
Paid to John Shales Esquire, for ditto -		4,340	6	9
Paid to Robert Henly Esquire, for ditto -		5,796	0	0
Paid to Mr. James Wickart, for ditto -		6,770	0	0
Paid to the Earl of Billamont Treasurer of her late Majesty -		15,000	0	0
<b>Civil List of Ireland.</b>				
Paid for the Charge of the Civil List and Government in Ireland for the time the Revenue of that Kingdom was accounted for in England -		725,926	16	5½
Paid to Sir Joseph Heron, in Part of the Subsidies granted by his Majesty to the Emperor and Duke of Bavaria, in Consideration of the March of their Troops to the Assistance of the Duke of Savoy -		41,265	0	4
<b>Subsidies.</b>				
Paid for the Exchequer Fees, and other Allowances for all Money issued to the Accountants, and for their own Salaries, and the Officers under them, both in England and Ireland, the Charge of Privy Seals for issuing of Money, Imprest Rolls, and passing their Accounts, &c. -		40,000	0	0
Paid back into the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer, in Bills of Credit ordered to be cancelled there, which stood Part of the Money, charged to be Imprested to the Accountants -		57,488	0	1½
<b>Exchequer Fees and Allowances.</b>				
Paid back into the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer, in Bills of Credit ordered to be cancelled there, which stood Part of the Money, charged to be Imprested to the Accountants -		28,519	0	0
<b>By Balance resting in the Accountants Hands the 31st of December 1697</b>		3,192,702	13	10
		1,221	17	10
		3,193,924	11	8

By Balance resting in the Accountants Hands the 31st of December 1697

This Halfpenny is a Mistake, as appears by casting up the Surus; but it is so both in the Journal, and the original Accounts.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

Assaying  
Plate.

Mr. *Shackerly*, according to Order, presented to the House, a Bill appointing Wardens, and Assay-masters, for Assaying of wrought Plate, according to the present Standard, and affixing the *Britannia* Mark thereon, in those Cities where Mints were lately erected for re-coining the Money of this Kingdom: And the same was received.

Regimental  
Accountants.

Mr. *Morris*, from the Commissioners of Accounts, presented to the House, a List of the Regiments whose Accountants have given Reasons for not bringing in their Accounts by the time appointed by the Precepts and Letters sent to them to that Purpose, with the Reasons themselves.

And the Title of the List was read.

The List, and Papers of Reasons, are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That the said List, and Reasons, do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

House inter-  
pose to pre-  
vent a  
Quarrel.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That one Mr. *Molyneux*, of *Pauls-Church-yard*, had come to him, and told him of a Challenge sent by Mr. *Mason*, a Member of this House, to Mr. *Molyneux* Merchant: and that Mr. *Molyneux*, of *Pauls-Church-yard*, was at the Door, to give the House an Account thereof.

And he was called in; and, at the Bar, gave the House an Account of that Matter, and what had been done thereupon.

And then withdrew.

And Mr. *Mason* was heard in his Place, touching the same.

Whereupon the House enjoined him not to prosecute the Quarrel between him and Mr. *Molyneux*.

And thereupon he said he should pay all Deference to the House, and obey them.

Conduct of  
Whitaker,  
Admiralty  
Solicitor

The House being informed, That Mr. *Edward Whitaker* attended, according to Order;

He was called in; and examined, touching the Bailing of *Henry Bolton*.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *Edward Whitaker*, Solicitor to the Admiralty, is guilty of a great Neglect of Duty, in suffering insufficient Persons to be Bail for *Henry Bolton*, who was committed for Confederacy with Captain *William Kidd*, now a Prisoner in *Newgate* for Piracy.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Edward Whitaker* be, for his said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to inspect the Behaviour of Mr. *Edward Whitaker*, Solicitor to the Admiralty, since he has been in that Employment; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Marks*, Sir *Robert Onslow*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Hove*, Mr. *Smith*, Sir *William Hustler*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *John Leves. Gower*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *Wm. Scawen*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Lord *Mordaunt*, Mr. *Pitfeild*, Mr. *Courtney*, Mr. *Hammer*, Mr. *Prideaux*, Sir *Wm. Strickland*, Sir *Ja. Hove*, Mr. *Moncton*, Mr. *Chandler*, Sir *Hen. Johnson*, Sir *Wm. Coriton*, Mr. *Thynn*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Clark*, Colonel *Churchill*, Sir *Geo. Rook*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Bulkley*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Colonel *Byerley*, Mr. *Hamond*, Mr. *Soames*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Bere*, Mr. *Fuller*, Sir *Tho. Wagstaffe*; and all that serve for the Sea Ports, *Hampshire* and *Kent*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records: And they are to sit *de die in diem*.

The House being informed, That one Mr. *Tracey* was at the Door, who could give some Account of the Bailing of the said *Henry Bolton*;

He was called in; and examined.  
And then he withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Hindon*, in the County of *Wills*, be made upon Thursday Morning next. Hindon Election.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Leominster*, in the County of *Hereford*, be made upon Thursday Morning next. Leominster Election.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Patent, Commissions, and Instructions to Captain *Kidd*: Kidd's Piracies.

And the House being informed, That Sir *Edmund Harrison* attended, according to Order;

He was called in; and examined.

And then he withdrew.

And the Articles between the Earl of *Bellmont*, *Robert Lexington*, and Captain *Kidd*, dated October the 10th, 1695, were read: And also,

The Commission to Captain *Kidd* from the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, dated December the 11th, 1695: And also His Majesty's Commission to Captain *Kidd*, under the Great Seal, dated January the 26th, 1695: And also,

The Sailing Orders to Captain *Kidd*, dated February the 25th, 1695: And also,

An Indenture of Covenants, between his Majesty and the said Grantees, dated May the 22d 1697: And also,

The Grant to the Earl of *Bellmont*, and others, dated the 27th of May 1697.

Which Articles and Sailing Orders, are as follow:—  
The other Four being entered in the Journal of the 4th of December 1690.

Articles of Agreement, made this 10th Day of October 1695, between the Right Honourable *Richard* Earl of *Bellmont*, of the one Part; and *Robert Lexington* Esquire, and Captain *William Kidd*, of the other Part.

Whereas the said Captain *Kidd* is desirous to obtain a Commission as Captain of a private Man of War, in order to take Prizes from the King's Enemies, and otherwise to annoy them: And whereas also, certain Persons did some time since depart from *New England*, *Rhode Island*, *New York*, and other Parts in *America*, and elsewhere, with an Intention to become Pirates, and to commit Spoils and Depredations against the Law of Nations, in the *Red Sea* or elsewhere, and to return, with such Goods and Riches as they shall get, to certain Places by them agreed upon; of which said Persons and Places the said Captain *Kidd* hath Notice, and is desirous to fight with and subdue the said Pirates, as also all other Pirates, with whom the said Captain *Kidd* shall meet at Sea, in case he be employed so to do: And whereas it is agreed between the said Parties, That, for the Purposes aforesaid, a good and sufficient Ship to the Liking of the said Captain *Kidd*, shall be forthwith bought, whereof the said Captain *Kidd* is to have the Command: Now these Presents witness, and it is agreed between the said Parties:

1. The said Earl of *Bellmont* doth covenant and agree, at his proper Charge, to procure from the King's Majesty, or from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, as the Case shall require, One or more Commissions, empowering him the said Captain *Kidd* to act against the King's Enemies, and to take Prizes from them, as a private Man of War, in the usual Manner; and also to fight with, conquer, and subdue Pirates; and to take them and their Goods, with such other large and beneficial Powers and Clauses in such Commissions, as may be most proper and effectual in such Cases.

2. The said Earl doth covenant and agree, That within Three Months after the said Captain *Kidd*'s Departure from



from *England* for the Purpose in these Presents mentioned, he will procure, at his proper Charge, a Grant from the King, to be made to some indifferent and trusty Person, of all such Merchandizes, Goods, Treasure, and other Things, as shall be taken from the said Pirates, or any other Pirates whatsoever, by the said Captain *Kidd*, or by the said Ship, or any other Ship or Ships under his Command.

3. The said Earl doth agree to pay Four Fifth Parts, the whole in Five Parts to be divided, of all Monies which shall be laid out for the buying such good and sufficient Ship for the Purposes aforesaid, together with Rigging, and other Apparel and Furniture thereof, and providing the same with competent Victualling, the said Ship to be approved of by the said Parties; and the said other Fifth Part of the Charges of the said Ship to be paid by the said *Robert Livingston* and *William Kidd*.

4. The said Earl doth agree, That in order to the speedy buying the said Ship, and in Part of the said Four Parts of Five of the said Charges, he will pay down the Sum of 1,600*l.* by way of Advance, on or before the 6th Day of November next ensuing.

5. The said *Robert Livingston* and Captain *William Kidd* do jointly and severally covenant and agree, That on or before the said 6th Day of November, when the said Earl of *Bellmont* is to pay the said Sum of 1,600*l.* as aforesaid, they will advance, and pay down, 400*l.* in Part of the Share and Proportion which they are to have in the said Ship.

6. The said Earl doth agree to pay such further Sum of Money, as shall complete, and make up, the said Four Parts of Five, of the Charges of the said Ship's Apparel, Furniture, and Victualling, unto the said *Robert Livingston* and *William Kidd*, within Seven Weeks after the Date of these Presents; and, in like manner, the said *Robert Livingston* and *William Kidd* do agree to pay such further Sum as shall amount to a Fifth Part, of the whole Charge of the said Ship, within Seven Weeks after the Date of these Presents.

7. The said Captain *Kidd* doth covenant and agree to procure, and take with him, on board the said Ship, One hundred Mariners or Seamen, or thereabouts, and to make what reasonable and convenient Speed he can, to set out to Sea with the said Ship; and to sail to such Parts or Places where he may meet with the said Pirates; and to use his utmost Endeavour to meet with, conquer, and subdue the said Pirates, or any other Pirates; and to take from them their Goods, Merchandizes, and Treasure; also to take what Prizes he can from the King's Enemies, and forthwith to make the best of his Way to *Boston* in *New England*; and that without touching at any other Port or Harbour whatsoever, or without breaking Bulk, or diminishing any Part of what he shall so take or obtain, on any Pretence whatsoever; of which he shall make Oath, in case the same shall be desired by the said Earl of *Bellmont*; and there to deliver the same into the Hands or Possession of the said Earl.

8. The said Captain *Kidd* doth agree, That the Contract and Bargain which he will make with his said Ship's Crew, shall be, No Purchase, no Pay; and not otherwise: And that the Share and Proportion which his said Crew shall, by such Contract, have of such Prizes, Goods, Merchandizes, and Treasure, as he shall take, as Prize, or from any Pirates, shall not, at the most, exceed a Fourth Part of the same; and shall be less than a Fourth Part, in case the same may reasonably and conveniently be agreed upon.

9. The said *Robert Livingston*, and Captain *Wm. Kidd*, do jointly and severally agree with the said Earl of *Bellmont*, That in case the said Captain *Kidd* do not meet with the said Pirates, which went from *New England*, *Rhode Island*, *New York*, or elsewhere, as aforesaid; or do not take from any other Pirates, or from any the King's Enemies, such Goods, Merchandizes, or other Things of Value, as, being divided as herein after is mentioned, shall fully recompense the said Earl, for the Monies by him expended in buying the said Four Fifth

Parts of the said Ship and Premises; that then they shall refund and repay to the said Earl of *Bellmont* the whole Money by him to be advanced, in Sterling Money, or Money equivalent thereunto, on or before the 25th Day of March, which shall be in the Year of our Lord 1697; the Danger of the Seas, and of the Enemy, and Mortality of the said Captain *Kidd*, always excepted: Upon Payment whereof, the said *Robert Livingston* and Captain *Kidd* are to have the sole Property in the said Ship and Furniture; and this Indenture to be delivered up to them, with all other Covenants and Obligations thereunto belonging.

10. It is agreed between the said Parties, That as well the Goods, Merchandizes, Treasure, and other Things, which shall be taken from the said Pirates, or any Pirates, by the said *William Kidd*, as also all such Prizes as shall be by him taken from any of the King's Enemies, shall be divided in manner following; that is to say, Such Part as shall be for that Purpose agreed upon by the said Captain *Kidd*, so as the same do not in the Whole exceed a Fourth Part, shall be paid or delivered to the Ship's Crew, for their Use; and the other Three Parts to be divided into Five equal Parts, whereof the said Earl is to have, to his own Use, Four full Parts, and the other Fifth Part is to be equally divided between the said *Robert Livingston* and the said *Wm. Kidd*; and is to be paid and delivered them by the said Earl of *Bellmont*, without Deduction or Abatement on any Pretence whatsoever: But it is always to be understood, that such Prizes as shall be taken from the King's Enemies, are to be lawfully adjudged Prize, in the usual manner, before any Division, or otherwise intermeddling therewith, than according to the true Intent of the said Commission, to be granted in that behalf.

Lastly, It is covenanted and agreed between the Parties to these Presents, That in Case the said Captain *Wm. Kidd* do bring to *Boston* aforesaid, and there deliver to the Earl of *Bellmont*, Goods, Merchandizes, Treasure, or Prizes, to the Value of 100,000*l.* or upwards, which he shall have taken from the said Pirates, or from other Pirates, or from the King's Enemies; that then the Ship which is now speedily to be bought by the said Parties, shall be and remain to the sole Use and Behoof of him the said Captain *Kidd*, as a Reward and Gratification for his good Service therein.

*Bellmont.*

*Memorandum:* Before the Sealing and Delivery of these Presents, it was covenanted and agreed by the said Earl of *Bellmont*, with the said *Robert Livingston* Esquire, and Captain *William Kidd*, That the Person to whom the Grant abovementioned in these Articles shall be made by his Majesty, shall within Eight Days at the most, after such Grant has passed the Great Seal of *England*, assign and transfer to each of them the said *Robert Livingston* Esquire, and Captain *William Kidd* respectively, their Heirs and Assigns, One full Tenth Part (the Ship's Crew's Share and Proportion being first deducted) of all such Goods, Treasure, or other Things, as shall be taken by the said Captain *Kidd*, by virtue of such Commission as aforesaid: And the said Grantee shall make such Assignment as aforesaid, in such Manner as by the said *Robert Livingston* Esquire, and Captain *William Kidd*, or their Counsel learned in the Law, shall be reasonably devised and required: And then these Presents were sealed and delivered, the Sixpenny Stamp being first affixed, in the Presence of us,

*Martha Breken,*  
*John Maddocke,*  
*John Moulder.*

Whereas the necessary Fitting, Equipping, and Outset, of the *Adventure Gally*, bought by the above-mentioned *Wm. Kidd*, in pursuance of these Articles, could not be completely finished and perfected within the time thereby limited; and consequently, that all the several Sums of Money, therein covenanted to be paid,

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were not actually paid by all or any the Parties to the above-written Covenants and Agreements, within the Time thereby expressed, limited, and directed; but that, nevertheless, all the said Sums have since been paid; and the Ship bought for the Voyage and Design expressed in these Articles, is now completely fitted and provided with all Things necessary, and lies ready to depart; and that also the several Commissions have been obtained by the Earl of *Bellomont*: It is hereby further mutually declared, covenanted, and agreed, by and between the abovesaid Right Honourable *Richard* Earl of *Bellomont*, and *Robert Livingston*, and *William Kidd*, on behalf of themselves, and all others concerned therein, That, notwithstanding the Delay in the Dispatch of the said Ship or Gally, and of the Payments of the Monies expressed in the above-mentioned Agreement, that, yet nevertheless, all and singular the several Agreements, Articles, and Clauses, therein mentioned and intended, are hereby declared to be, and are and shall be and remain in as full Force and Virtue, as if the said Ship, and all the Sums of Money, had been actually paid within the Time limited and directed by the said Articles; any thing therein to the contrary notwithstanding. Dated in *London*, the 20th Day of February 1694.

Witness present at the  
Signing and Sealing  
hereof,

*Sarah Oakley,*  
*John Stanley.*

*Bellomont.*

The said Sailing Orders.

*London*, 25th February 1694.

Captain *William Kidd*,

You being now ready to sail, I do hereby desire and direct you, that you and your Men do serve God in the best Manner you can: That you keep good Order, and good Government, in your Ship: That you make the best of your Way to the Place and Station where you are to put the Powers you have in Execution: And, having effected the same, you are, according to Agreement, to sail directly to *Boston* in *New England*, there to deliver unto me the Whole of what Prizes, Treasure, Merchandizes, and other Things, you shall have taken by virtue of the Powers and Authorities granted you: But if, after the Success of your Design, you shall fall in with any *English* Fleet bound for *England*, having good Convoy, you are, in such Case, to keep them Company, and bring all your Prizes to *London*, notwithstanding any Covenant to the contrary in our Articles of Agreement. Pray fail not to give Advice, by all Opportunities, how the Gally proves; how your Men stand, what Progress you make; and, in general of all remarkable Passages in your Voyage, to the Time of your Writing. Direct your Letters to Mr. *Edmund Harrison*. I pray God grant you good Success, and send us a good Meeting again.

*Bellomont.*

Members  
summoned.

Ordered, That the Serjeant at Arms do go with the Mace into *Westminster-hall*, Court of Requests, and Places adjacent, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House: And he went accordingly; and being returned;

Motion re-  
specting the  
Grant of  
Prizes.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That a Grant, passed under the Great Seal of *England*, to *Richard* Earl of *Bellomont* and others, of all the Goods, Merchandizes, Treasure, and other Things therein granted, which should be taken by Captain *Kidd* from *Thomas Too*, *John Ireland*, and others in the said Grant mentioned as Pirates, before their Conviction, is illegal and void;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel *Granville*, } 185.  
                                  { Mr. *Tredenham*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Boyle*, } 198.  
                                  { Sir *Rowland Gwyn*: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati*, 29° die *Martii*;

13° *Willielmi*, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

**RESOLVED**, That this House will, upon *Monday* Supply. Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty: And that the Engineers and Officers, of the Ordnance, do then attend the said Committee.

Mr. *Blathwaite*, from the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations, presented to the House their Answers to the Order of the 12th of March instant, by which they were to lay before this House an Account of their Proceedings for the Improvement of Trade, since the 21st Day of March 1699, being the Time of the Delivery of their last Account.

And the Title thereof was read:

And the Answer is as followeth; viz.

In Obedience to the Order of this Honourable House, dated the 12th of this instant March, requiring from us an Account of our Proceedings for Improvement of Trade, since the 21st of March last; we humbly offer, That we did then represent to the Honourable House the Powers and Authorities committed to us by his Majesty; whereby we are directed to examine, and take an Account of, the State of Trade; and to do what in us lies, for the Encouragement thereof, in giving the Merchants, and others concerned, all the Satisfaction and Dispatch we can in their Business, from time to time; as also to make constant Inquiries into the Conditions of his Majesty's Plantations in *America*, as well with regard to the Administration of Government, as in relation to Commerce; and how those Colonies may be kept in good Order, and rendered most beneficial to this Kingdom; to prepare Commissions and Instructions to Governors; and to examine the Journals and Proceedings of the several Councils and Assemblies, and all the Acts and Laws made by them, in order to the Amendment, Approbation, or Disallowance thereof; to correspond with all the said Governors, and other Officers, in the publick Administration; and to make Representations to his Majesty, or the Privy Council, of what may occur to us upon the Heads or Matters aforesaid; wherein a considerable Part of our Time has been continued to be taken up, since the said Month of March last: The chief Particulars whereof, and of other incident Business, we shall now lay before this Honourable House, in the shortest Method we are able, referring ourselves, for a clearer Deduction of several Matters transacted by us, and under our daily Consideration, to our former Report, given at that Time.

The *French* Ambassador having presented to his Majesty a Memorial, complaining of the Royal *African* Company's trading into the River *Senegall*, and of their hindering the *French* from trading up the River *Gambia*; we thereupon heard the Company: And, finding that they deny their Trading up the River *Senegall*, and assert their Right to the sole Trade up the River *Gambia*, we represented the same to his Majesty, for Answer to the said Ambassador's Memorial; and offered, that the Trade along the Coast ought to be kept free, and common to both Nations.

In further Reference to that Trade, a Complaint having been made to his Majesty in Council, by Mr. *William Bird* and others, of the Seizure of their Ship, called the *William* and *Jane*, by the *French*, about *Port Adally*, on that Coast of *Africa*, where she was trading with a Licence from the Royal *African* Company, according to the late Act of Parliament; were presented to his Majesty the Company's Right, and constant Trade on that Coast; humbly proposing, that his Majesty would be pleased to insist

insist upon the Restitution of the said Ship and Damages, and to give such further Orders, as should be thought fit, to prevent the like Violences for the future.

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, having understood from his Majesty's Consul at *Algiers*, by his Letter of the 13th April last, that the Dey of that Place had given no longer Time, than till September following, for all Ships belonging to his Majesty's Subjects to be provided with Admiralty Passes, which had been discontinued during the late War; insisting upon the Treaty made with them the 10th of April 1682; and declaring, That after that time, such Ships as should be met by their Cruisers, not being furnished with Passes in the Form required, would be seized, and carried up to *Algiers*; by which means the Plantation Ships, those to *Newfoundland*, and others employed in long Voyages, would have been in great Danger; and his Majesty having thereupon required us to consider and settle the Method of granting Passes to the Ships of his Majesty's Subjects, trading in the Way of the *Algerines*; we humbly reported to his Majesty the State of that Matter, not only in relation to the Forms of such Passes, but more particularly to the Places whither they should be sent to the Persons who might be intrusted with the Distribution thereof, and to the Directions and Instructions to be given to such Persons in the Execution of that Trust: And we humbly proposed, that the most pressing and effectual Means might be used with the Government of *Algiers*, to enlarge the Time that had been limited by that Government: All which having been accordingly directed, Passes were sent to the several Persons appointed to distribute them; and the Government of *Algiers* was prevailed with to prolong the Time for One Year more; viz. till the End of September next; by which Means the Navigation of his Majesty's Subjects have been preserved from that Danger.

Memorials from Mr. *Broughton*, his Majesty's Consul at *Venice*, relating to the Trade of Fish and Currans, between *England* and the *Venetians* Dominions, having, by his Majesty's Order, been referred to our Consideration; we consulted the Merchants trading in those Parts; and reported what we found to be the State of that Trade, not only with relation to those Two Commodities, but to the whole Trade between *England* and the *Venetian* Dominions in general: And we further set forth the Inconveniences and Hardships that, we had been informed, the *English* Merchants, trading in those Parts, do lie under.

Differences having arisen between the *English* Merchants residing at *Lisbon*, and the Judge Conservator of the *English* Nation there; and the Merchants of *London* trading to *Portugal* having thereupon applied to his Majesty, that he would please to interpose with the King of *Portugal*, for the Removal of the said Conservator; we gave his Majesty the necessary Informations in that Matter; and humbly proposed what we judged most for the Ease of the Merchants, and the Advantage of that Trade.

A Vessel, called the *Beckford Gally*, belonging to *English* Owners, having been seized at *Madagascar*, by Pirates, in Combination of some of the said Ship's Company; we did, at the Owners Desire, represent the Case to his Majesty; and Letters, prepared by us for his Majesty's Royal Signature, were thereupon dispatched to the Governors of the Plantations, for securing the said Ship and Men, and proceeding against them according to Law.

An Act of Parliament having been made, in the last Sessions, for the more effectual Suppression of Piracy; wherein it is provided, That Commissions be passed, either under the Great Seal of *England*, or under the Seal of the Admiralty, for the Tryal of Pirates in the Methods directed by the said Act; we did immediately represent to his Majesty the Necessity that those Commissions should be dispatched: And his Majesty having thereupon directed them to be passed under the Great Seal; we further humbly offered our Opinion upon the Form which had been prepared by Mr. Attorney and Mr. Solicitor

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General: And, having consulted both the Old and New *East India* Companies, we settled with each of them, to what Persons and Places those Commissions might be fitly directed in those Parts: And soon after, we also laid before his Majesty a List of the Persons and Places to which the like Commissions might be directed in his Majesty's Plantations in *America*: All which having accordingly been done, and the said Commissions being passed and sent, we prepared Letters for his Majesty's Royal Signature, to the respective Governors of those Plantations, for sending hither all Accessories in Cases of Piracy, who, by the said Act, are not to be tried beyond the Seas.

And having since been required by his Majesty to consider of the Draft of a Proclamation, that had been prepared, for encouraging the Apprehending and Convicting of Pirates, in reference to the Time fit to be allowed them to come in, and make Affidavit, as thereby directed; we offered to his Majesty divers Considerations relating to Pirates: Upon which his Majesty was pleased to issue his late Proclamation of the 6th Instant.

There is a constant Return of Business every Year relating to the Trade and Fishery of *Newfoundland*; and, from the Commodore of the last Convoy, we received an Account of the Course and Progress thereof, with particular Respect to the Execution of the late Act of Parliament to encourage that Trade, in Answer to what was given him in Charge; and we have prepared other Instructions and Dispatches to the Commodore of the Convoy now going thither, for the rectifying several Abuses, and making further Inquiries into the State of the Trade and Fishery of his Majesty's Subjects there, and into that of the *French* in those Seas.

We have likewise taken again into Consideration the properest Methods of employing the Poor; but having, the last Session, represented to the House, That, for the making the Poor useful, and not burdensome, to the Publick, we had made divers Proposals, how we conceived that Work might be best effected; and having also, in pursuance of an Order of a Committee of the House at the End of the last Session, prepared an Abstract of all the Laws now in Force relating to the Poor, together with the Draught of a Bill, whereby they might be reduced into One Law, and laid the same before the Committee; we found, that we could not make a further Progress on that Subject, until this Honourable House shall have proceeded thereupon.

As to his Majesty's Plantations in *America*, we have made several Representations in Defence of his Majesty's Right to such of them as have been at any time claimed by the *French*, or other Foreigners; and having formerly set forth his Majesty's Title to the Island of *Tobago*, One of the *Caribbe Islands* in the Neighbourhood of *Barbadoes*, we have since offered to his Majesty such Considerations as put a Stop to the Design of some Persons here, who, under a Pretence of an Agreement with the Duke of *Courland's* Envoy, were contriving to settle the said Island under the Title and Protection of that Prince; and have thereby prevented the great Prejudice such a Settlement would have caused to the Island of *Barbadoes*, and the Trade of this Kingdom.

Having also formerly, in a Report to their Excellencies the Lords Justices, represented his Majesty's Right of Sovereignty over the Island of *S. Lucia* in the same Neighbourhood; and Directions having accordingly been given to the Governor of *Barbadoes* for maintaining the same: Upon which, the *French* Ambassador complained to his Majesty of these Proceedings; and insisted upon the *French* King's Right to that Island; we again laid before his Majesty a full Deduction of his Majesty's Title to the said Island, in Answer to the *French* Pretensions.

The said Ambassador having likewise presented to his Majesty a Memorial, complaining of a Design alleged by him to be carrying on by some of the Inhabitants of *Barbadoes*, in order to the Settling of the Island of *Dominica*, another of the *Caribbe Islands*; and having therein questioned the Right of the *English* to the said Island,

we

Improvement  
of Trade.

we did, by a like Deduction, state and assert his Majesty's Title thereunto.

Upon a Controversy between his Majesty's Province of *New York* and the Charter Government of *Connecticut* Colony in *New England*, relating to their Boundaries; we examined the Pretensions of both Sides; and reported to his Majesty the State thereof, together with Draughts of Letters for his Royal Signature, and an Instrument proper for the determining and settling those Boundaries.

We have, on many Occasions, represented to his Majesty, as we did likewise, in our last Report, to the late House of Commons, the State of such Plantations in *America*, as are under the Government of Proprietors and Charters; and how inconsistent these Governments are with the Trade and Welfare of this Kingdom:

That these Colonies, in general, have no ways answered the chief Design, for which such large Tracts of Land, and such Privileges and Immunities, were granted by the Crown:

That they have not conformed themselves to the several Acts of Parliament for regulating Trade and Navigation, to which they ought to pay the same Obedience, and submit to the same Restriction, as the other Plantations, which are subject to his Majesty's immediate Government; though, on the contrary, in most of these Propriety and Charter Governments, the Governors have not applied themselves to his Majesty for his Approbation, nor have taken the Oaths required by the Acts of Trade; both which Qualifications are made necessary by the late Act for preventing Frauds, and regulating Abuses in the Plantation Trade:

That they have assumed to themselves a Power to make Laws, contrary and repugnant to the Laws of *England*, and directly prejudicial to our Trade, some of them having refused to send hither such Laws as they have there enacted; and others having sent them, but very imperfectly:

That divers of them having denied Appeals to his Majesty in Council; by which, not only the Inhabitants of those Colonies, but others his Majesty's Subjects, are deprived of that Benefit enjoyed in the Plantations under his Majesty's immediate Government; and the Parties aggrieved are left without Remedy from the arbitrary and illegal Proceedings of their Courts:

That these Colonies continue to be the Refuge and Retreat of Pirates and illegal Traders, and the Receptacle of Goods imported thither from foreign Parts, contrary to Law; in Return of which Commodities, those of the Growth of these Colonies are likewise, contrary to Law, exported to foreign Parts: All which is likewise much encouraged by their not admitting Appeals, as aforesaid:

That, by raising or lowering their Coin from time to time, to their particular Advantage, and to the Prejudice of other Colonies; by exempting their Inhabitants from Duties and Customs, to which the other Colonies are subject; and by harbouring of Servants and Fugitives; these Governments tend greatly to the undermining the Trade of the other Plantations, and entice and draw away the People thereof; by which Diminution of Hands, the rest of the Colonies, more beneficial to *England*, do very much suffer.

Nor have we omitted to take Notice, That these independent Colonies do turn the Course of Trade to the promoting and propagating Woollen and other Manufactures proper to *England*, instead of applying their Thoughts and Endeavours to the Production of such Commodities, as are fit to be encouraged in those Parts, according to the true Design and Intention of those Settlements.

That these Governments do not put themselves into a State of Defence against an Enemy; nor do they sufficiently provide themselves with Arms and Ammunition; many of them having not a regular Militia, and some of them being no otherwise, at present, than in a State of Anarchy and Confusion.

To cure these, and other great Mischiefs in these Colonies, and to introduce such an Administration of Government, and fit Regulation of Trade, as may make them

duly subservient and useful to *England*; we have humbly offered our Opinion, That the Charters of the several Proprietors and others, intitling them to a Right of Government, should be reassumed to the Crown, and these Colonies put into the same State and Dependency as those of his Majesty's other Plantations, without further Prejudice to every Man's particular Property and Freehold; which, we conceive, cannot otherwise be well effected, than by the legislative Power of this Kingdom.

Upon Occasion of several Complaints relating to the Administration of Justice in *Barbadoes*, we have given Directions for the more regular Holding of the Courts of Justice in that Island, and transmitting to us such Account of their Proceedings, as will tend to the Reforming of all Neglects and Irregularities in those Courts: We have also prepared Letters for his Majesty's Royal Signature, which have accordingly been dispatched, containing particular Commands to the Governor and Council of the said Island; for redressing all Miscarriages of that kind, and preventing Complaints of the like Nature.

And a Petition having been presented to his Majesty by the Agents of that Island, and other Persons having an Interest there; wherein they set forth the present Condition of that Island; and pray, That the Duty or Impost of 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  per Cent. arising there upon all dead Commodities exported from that Island, may be applied to the Reparation of the Ports, and other Uses; we laid before his Majesty the State of that Matter, expressing particularly the several Grounds and Considerations upon which the said Duty was given, and the Application that has been lately made thereof to the Uses mentioned in a late Act of Parliament for granting to his Majesty certain Duties, for the necessary Expence of his Majesty's Household, and other necessary Occasions: Further representing to his Majesty, That the Inhabitants of *Barbadoes* have expressed great Zeal, and been at considerable Expence, in his Majesty's Service, during the late War; and that the said Island, with respect to the present Conjuncture, may deserve a particular Regard, as well in reference to the Repairs and Improvement of the Fortifications, as to the Security of that Place and Trade, by Ships of War.

His Majesty having been pleased, upon our Representations, to recal the Governor of the *Bermuda* Islands, and to appoint another to succeed him, we prepared a Commission and Instructions for the new Governor, with the necessary Alterations; and, upon his Departure, considering the great Importance of those Islands to the Plantation Trade, and Navigation of *England*, we further proposed to his Majesty, That a Supply of Powder and Arms might be immediately sent thither; and that, upon the Governor's Arrival there, he should forthwith report what he might find further requisite to be done, or sent from hence, for the Security of the said Islands: All which having been approved by his Majesty, Supplies have been sent, and Directions given, accordingly.

In order to the Production of Naval Stores in the Plantations, we directed the Earl of *Bellmont* to use his utmost Endeavours to advance that Design in the Provinces under his Government: And he, finding the Deartness of Labour in those Parts, wherein the Inhabitants are not numerous, to be a great Obstruction to that Work, for which Nature otherwise afforded great Advantages, did thereupon form a Proposal or Scheme for making Pitch, and Tar, and Rosin, in the Province of *New York*, by the Labour of Soldiers; who might, at the same time, serve for the Defence of the said Province bordering upon the *French*:

And his Lordship having communicated to us this Scheme, which takes in as well the Security of that Frontier, as the Production of those Stores, we laid before their Excellencies the late Lords Justices a Report upon that whole Matter; setting forth the Difficulties that appeared to us therein; the absolute Necessity of putting some Part of it, relating to the Security of the Province, in Execution; the Advantages that would accrue from the Whole, in case it should be made practicable; and the Proceedings which had already been made therein: To which we added what seemed to us most proper to be further done



done with regard to the present Circumstances of that Province: From all which we are expecting a good Effect.

And having therein referred the Subject of Masts, and other Ship Timber, to be considered apart, because of the Relation it might have to other Plantations as well as to *New York*, we soon after laid before their Excellencies a separate Report thereupon; setting forth the State of his Majesty's Woods in those Parts; the great Waste and Spoil that is daily committed in them, by converting Oaks and Pines of the largest Dimensions into Pipe Staves and Deal Boards; the great Consumption likewise of Timber by a Trade to *Spain* and *Portugall*, which is not prohibited by Law; and the Advantages that may be drawn from those Woods to *England*, if there was a due Provision by Laws, which we accordingly proposed to be made; and having thereupon received his Majesty's Directions, we prepared a Letter for his Royal Signature to the Earl of *Bellmont*, requiring him, That he would use his Endeavours with the Assemblies there to pass Acts proper for that End; or, in case he could not prevail with them to do what is requisite, that he would report particularly what may be fit to be done here: Which Letter has been sent to his Lordship.

The Northern Frontiers of the Province of *New York* being the most advanced of any of his Majesty's Plantations towards *Canada*, and the chief Security of the neighbouring Plantations against an Enemy depending upon the Preservation of those Frontiers, which that Province is not alone able to provide for, we have, upon several Occasions, represented what seemed to us necessary for that Service; and particularly upon an Information from the Earl of *Bellmont* that all the Colonies of *New England* were alarmed, and under great Apprehensions, from the Intelligence given them, on all Sides, of a general Insurrection and Rebellion intended by the neighbouring *Indians*, unto which they had been secretly instigated by the indirect Practices and malicious Insinuations of the *French* of *Canada*; and that our Five Nations of *New York Indians* were corrupted by those Artifices, and seemed inclining to shake off their Dependence on the Crown of *England*, and to associate with the other *Indians* in that Insurrection; we humbly offered, That a Supply of Money might be sent towards the Building and Repairing of Forts in the Frontiers of *New York*, together with Presents for our Five Nations of *Indians* in those Parts, and Recruits for the Forces there.

We further humbly proposed to his Majesty, That the other Colonies which are so much concerned in the Security of those Frontiers, should be required to contribute, towards the Building and Repairing of their Forts, a certain Sum, in reasonable Proportions, according to a Scheme that we laid before his Majesty, together with Letters for his Royal Signature; which have accordingly been dispatched.

And his Majesty has been pleased, out of his Royal Bounty, to give 2,500 *l.* towards the Charge of Forts; to send Presents for our Five Nations of *Indians*, to the Value of 800 *l.*; and to recruit the Soldiers at *New York*, who were but 180, with Men from hence to make them up 400.

The Defence and Security of the Plantations in general being a Matter of the greatest Importance to the Trade of this Nation, we have not confined ourselves to what relates to the Province of *New York*, but have also, in Two other Representations, laid before his Majesty the State of all his Plantations, both in the Islands and in the Continent of *America*, with particular Relation to the Forts, Fortifications, and Stores of War, now there; and what may be further necessary for the Defence of those Plantations with regard to the present Conjuncture: Which Representations, or any others afore-mentioned, we are ready to lay before this Honourable House, when the same shall be required; and to explain more at large such Particulars therein, as have fallen under our Consideration, in reference to Trade, and the Security of his Majesty's foreign Dominions.

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All which is most humbly submitted.

Whitehall, 28 Mar.  
1701.

Stamford,  
Lexington,  
Ph. Mcadows,  
Wm. Blathwaite,  
John Pollexfen.  
Abr. Hill,  
Mat. Prior.

Ordered, That the said Answer do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Bill for erecting Hospitals and Work-houses within the Borough of *King's Lynn* in the County of *Norfolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor there, was read the First time. Lynn Work-houses.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mammours* have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions. Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Mary Stout* Widow, presented to the House the 13th instant, be read this Day Sevensnight, in a full House. Stout's Petition.

Sir *Humphrey Mackworth*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for Sale of the Estate of *William Davison*, Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts, and raising his Children's Portions charged thereupon: And the same was received. Davison's Estate.

The Bill was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for erecting and making a Corporation within the Town of *Hullifax*, for the better Relief and Government of the Poor there, was read the First time. Hullifax Poor.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Ordered, That the Secretary at War do lay before this House a List of the Officers who receive Half-pay. Half-pay.

A Petition of Major *Edmund Boxer*, and other Officers, that served in the Battalion commanded by Major General *Erle*, and disbanded at *Exon*, was presented to the House: And the House being informed, That Major General *Erle* is ill, and the said Petition relating to him; Army Arrears.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until Major General *Erle* be able to attend the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mitchell* have Leave to withdraw his Petition touching the Election for the Port of *Sandwich*. Sandwich Election.

Ordered, That the Bill for the better Preservation of the Protestant Religion; and for the preventing the Translation of Bishops from one Sec to another; be read a Second time upon this Day Sevensnight. Preservation of Protestant Religion.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Com-Baron to serve in this present Parliament for the Port of *Sandwich*, in the room of Sir *Henry Funnese* Knight, expelled this House. Sandwich Writ.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for erecting a Corporation in the Parish of *St. James, Westminster*, for Relief of the Poor of that Parish, and setting them on Work: And that Mr. *Poultney* and Mr. *Brewer* do prepare, and bring in, the same. St. James, Westminster, Poor.

A Bill for appointing Wardens and Assay-masters for Assaying of wrought Plate, according to the present Standard, and affixing the *Britannia* Mark thereon, in those Cities where Mints were lately erected for recoining the Money of this Kingdom, was read the First time. Assaying Plate.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

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A Petition



Duties on  
Stone, &c.

A Petition of several Persons, on behalf of themselves and many others, who advanced to his Majesty 564,700 l. on the Credit of an Act of Parliament made in the Sixth and Seventh Years of his Majesty's Reign, for granting to his Majesty certain Rates and Duties on Stone, Glass, and Earthen Ware, Coals and Culm, for the Term of Five Years, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners did lately petition this House, shewing, That their said Fund was taken from them without their Consent; and that they are left destitute of any Security for Repayment of their Money: Which Petition was referred to the Committee of the whole House, for a Supply to his Majesty; who reported their Resolution; to which the House disagreed, with Intent, as the Petitioners hope, to make them some effectual Provision for discharging the said Debt: And praying, that their deplorable Case may be again taken into Consideration, and, if the House think fit to grant them the Continuance of the Duties on Coals and Culm for a sufficient Term of Years, after the Expiration of the Time granted by Act of Parliament to others; or else to make the Petitioners other effectual Provision for the Payment of so just a Debt, and Interest.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Address to  
prosecute  
Kidd.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, That he will please to give Order, that Captain *Kidd* may be proceeded against according to Law.

State of  
the Nation.

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the State of the Nation, and of the Treaty of Partition, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Treaty of Partition, and the Report from the Committee appointed to inspect the Journals of the House of Lords, what Proceedings were therein relating to the Treaty of Partition, be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee of the whole House.

Then the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 31° die Martii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Clothiers of *Kidderminster* in the County of *Worcester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, though many good Laws had been made to prevent the Exportation of Wool; and the Government hath been at great Charges in maintaining divers Vessels for that Purpose; yet, through the Neglect or Connivance of those concerned in those Vessels, as it is feared, many thousand Packs of Wool have, within these Two last Years, been exported into *France*; which Practice hath much decayed our Woollen Manufactures, and, if not speedily prevented, will destroy the same, and consequently ruin the Manufactures: And praying, That Inspections may be made into the Transporting of Wool; and that effectual Means may be used to prevent the same for the future, and to maintain the Good of the Woollen Manufacture of this Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, who are appointed to inspect the Laws in being relating to the Woollen Manufacture.

Mr. *Blathwaite*, according to Order, presented to the House a List of the Half-pay Officers, according to the Establishment, since the Twenty-fifth Day of March 1700.

And the Title thereof was read:

And the List is as followeth; viz.



Half-pay  
List.

## Earl of Denbigh's Regiment.

Captains.	Lieutenants.	Cornets.	Quarter-masters.	per Diem. s. d.
Basil Earl of Denbigh, as Colonel and Captain	Captain Lieutenant Eli Studholm	William Cecil	John Hodgson	2 0
Major William Oglethorp, as Major and Captain	Edward Nicholes	George Juks	Daniel Wayte	2 0
Captain Tho. Hartop	Arthur Pepys	Edward Coopes	Peter de la Rue	2 0
Geo. Witmore	Fran. Harwood	Antony Chester	William Hewett	2 0
Richard Creed	Sampson Breedy	Barlow Wickham	Christopher Clapham	2 0
Henry Cromwell	John Creed	Younger Cooke	John Hilton	2 0
Sam. Lenard	Lewis Le Strange	John Grace	Robert Lightford	2 0
	Daniel Bonmer	Thomas Rose, Chaplain, 3s. 4d. per Diem.		

## F O O T.

Regiments.	Captains.	Lieutenants.	Ensigns.	per Diem. s. d.
Major General Thomas Erle's.	Captain Andr. Abington	Captain Lieutenant Jos. Dolling	Sam. Norman	1 10
	Thomas Tooke	John Pratt	Ignatius White	1 10
	Edward Jones	Henry Trenchard	Gilbert Barrington	1 10
	Cha. Floyer	Robert Strangways	Zack Clark	1 10
	John Simmons	Robert Northcote	Tho. Goward	1 10
	Tho. Wagget	John Jackson	Jos. Henning	1 10
	Richard Henning	Edw. Hastings	Robert Clark	1 10
	Peter Minshall	Francis Izod	William Strode	1 10
		Hopton Twiniho	Henry Hawley	1 10
		Ben. Tredenham	John Williams	1 10
		Cha. Gookin		
		Edw. Emmett		
		Edward Scarborough, Chaplain, 3s. 4d.		
		Robert Northcote, Quarter-master, 2s.		
The late Duke of Bolton's.	Lieutenant Colonel Hen. Hickman, as Lieutenant Colonel and Captain	Captain Lieutenant Mich. Robinson	Tho. Westwood	1 10
	Major John Aspin, as Major and Captain	Henry Sewell	John Skyes	1 10
	Captain Robert Parsons	Christopher Robinson	Gilburn Scroop	1 10
	Ralph Gore	Maurice Betsworth	John Ramsey	1 10
	Fitz-Maurice Gifford	Tho. Colon	John Pippin	1 10
	Tho. Porter	John Jardin	Philip Orfeur	1 10
	Phil. Gerey	John Wilson	Thomas Hewit	1 10
	James Manly	Leonard Thornton	John Aplin	1 10
	Tho. Kitson	Richard Coleman	William Cock	1 10
	Edward Mansell	Tho. Toogood	John Busted	1 10
	John Powell	Edw. Pyle	Leonard Keeling	1 10
		Rowland Cockran		
		Christopher Harrison		
		Samuel Pickett, Chaplain, 3s. 4d.		
		John Gery, Quarter-master, 2s.		

Regiments.	Captains.	Lieutenants.	Ensigns.	per Diem. s. d.
Colonel Richard Cooté's.	Colonel Rich. Cooté, as Colonel and Captain Lieutenant Colonel Tho. Allen, as Lieu- tenant Colonel and Captain Major Fra. Holroyd, as Major and Captain Ralph Breun Stephen Capell Robert Houston Wm. Adaire Loftus Duckenfield Wm. Harrison Dudly Loftus Fra. Toplady William Rutter Peter Vaughan	Captain Lieutenant Chandler Maurice Warren George Pordam John Goodwyn William Wadds Geo. Wingfield John Ewer Hugh Smith Thurston Haddock Tho. Gold Isa. Jacob William Gargrave William Pycwell Thomas Landgarth, Chaplain, 3 s. 4 d.	Blundell Summers Hen. Hodgkinson Peter Ducla George Hewitt Thomas Mansell John Tucker Tho. Bourden Geo. Napper Daniel Winter	11 4 8 2 7 2 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8
Colonel Thomas Brudenall's.	Colonel Tho. Brudenall, as Colonel and Captain Lieutenant Colonel John Hubbard, as Lieutenant Colonel and Captain Major John Rose, as Major and Captain Captain Nehem. Farmer William Gay Robert Cecil John Lloyd Edmund Keating John Hutchinson Peter Lisle Cha. Edwards Solomon Rapin Tho. Aston	John Ant. Barmier Geo. Foulks Tho. Piers Alexander Gay Rixton Darby George Beate John Musage Phil. Carpenter Charles Burgh Gilbert Pickering William Barton Edward Deve John Burgh William Stoughton, Chaplain, 3 s. 4 d. John Fulford, Quarter-master, 2 s.	John Mackenzie Thomas Lloyd John Farner Hugh Drisdall William Rose Sam. Hutchinson Henry Warren Samuel Francis Samuel Hocktost	11 4 8 2 7 2 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8
Colonel Thomas Saunderson's.	Colonel Tho. Saunderson, as Colonel and Captain Lieutenant Colonel Cha. Wills, as Lieu- tenant Colonel and Captain Major Richard Sutton, as Major and Captain Captain Geo. Burston Henry Falkland Isaac Knight Thomas Bedford Phil. Griffin Richard Bolton James Brathwayte	Captain Lieutenant James Harris William Singleton Robert Jackson William Whittoff Fran. Filbridge Marc. Ant. Bernard Nathan. Potter Peter de St. Just Alexander Davison John Bernard Hugh Palliser Rich. Pinnock	Stanhop Yarborough Andrew Day John Patridge Geo. Saunderson John Sharp Nic. Tirwhitt Robert Hume John Daulton Thomas Vauchin William Saunderson	11 4 8 2 7 2 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8

Half pay  
List.





Regiments.	Captains.		Lieutenants.		Ensigns.	
	per Diem. s. d.	per Diem. s. d.	per Diem. s. d.	per Diem. s. d.	per Diem. s. d.	per Diem. s. d.
James Blackney - Benj. Buller - Fran. Blinman -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	4 8 4 8 4 8	4 8 4 8 4 8	2 4 2 4 2 4	2 4 2 4 2 4	George Snell, Chaplain, 3s. 4d. John Andrews, Quarter-master, 2s.	
The Independent Companies.						
Company of Miners -	-	-	-	-	-	-
Company at Upnor -	-	-	-	-	-	-
	4 0	4 0	2 9	2 9	Ensign Tho. Thompson	1 10
DRAGOONS, Royal Regiment.						
	Lieutenants.		Cornets.		Quarter-masters.	
James Crofts -	-	-	-	-	-	-
La Roque -	-	-	-	-	-	-
	5 6 5 6	3 0 3 0	* Harris John Marshall	2 6 2 6	Robert Richardson John Anderson	2 0 2 0
Colonel Lloyd's Regiment.						
Peter Hawker -	-	-	-	-	-	-
	5 6	3 0	Joseph Scafe Cornelius d' Witt	2 6 2 6	Thomas Haley Char. Headlam	2 0 2 0
Earl of Essex's Regiment.						
Andr. Samazon -	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fra. St. George -	-	-	-	-	-	-
	5 6 5 6	3 0 3 0	John Gravenor	2 6	John Oliver Natha. Mouchier	2 0 2 0
F O O T.						
	Captains.		Lieutenants.		Ensigns.	
Brigadier Selwyn's.	-	-	-	-	-	-
	4 8 4 8	4 8 4 8	Hugh Phillips Henry Godfrey Henry Sands	2 4 2 4 2 4	Robert Wansbrough William Danby Faa. Bickerstaffe	1 10 1 10 1 10
Major General Churchill's.	-	-	-	-	-	-
	4 8 4 8 4 8	4 8 4 8 4 8	Geo. Palfrey Barnaby Pewtall John Grierson	2 4 2 4 2 4	Tho. Manwaring Tho. White John Grant	1 10 1 10 1 10
Brigadier Trelawny's.	-	-	-	-	-	-
	4 8 4 8 4 8	4 8 4 8 4 8	Leonard Fish Geo. Nelthorpe Henry Walker	2 4 2 4 2 4	Richard 1 regeagle Henry Devenish	1 10 1 10
Major General Erle's.	-	-	-	-	-	-
	4 8	4 8	* Wilkinson	4 8	Robert Adams	1 10
Colonel Henry Holt's.	-	-	-	-	-	-
	11 4 7 2 4 8	11 4 7 2 4 8	Henry Lyons Henry Meoles Robert Cunningham Cha. Lloyd	2 4 2 4 2 4 2 4	Fran. Smith Adrian Godolphin Henry Plann John Sanderson	2 4 2 4 2 4 2 4
			John Perry, Quarter-master, 2s.			
			Second Lieutenants; viz.			
			First Lieutenants; viz.			
			Half-pay List.			

Regiments.	Captains.	per Diem. s. d.	First Lieutenants.	per Diem. s. d.	Second Lieutenants.	per Diem. s. d.
The late Colonel Russell's.	Major Tho. Garth, as Major and Captain	7 2	Richard Hobson George Paine	- - - -	Ensign Richard Holland	- - 1 10
Colonel Lillingston's.	Major John Monjoy, as Major and Captain	7 2				
Marquis of Carmarthen's.	Anthony Gibbons Steuart Spicer Unton Deering William Bradbury Edward Weaver	8 8 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	Tho. Horner Tho. Needler Jacob N. Eveque John Foster Wm. Grace Richard Thomas Henry Phillips John Patillo Edmund Harris Robert Austin	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	Peter Chasseloup Geo. Harnage Cha. Christian Cha. Cooper George Ord Edwd. Cowley John Dixon Peregrine Bertie James Brough Tho. Colding Vincent Bonnard Tho. Pretty Christopher Buck John Anderson	- -
Sir Cloudsty Shovell's.	Major Thomas Webberley George Rodney Samuel Odbert John Thornhill John Vanbrook	7 2 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8	Thomas Bourk Archibald Purvis William Richards Phi. Reeves Manly Callis John Lancaster Thomas Brown James Saunders James Mallory	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	William Hibberd Rich. Doyle Richard Sanger Alexander Cragg David Evans James Desborde George Howard Thomas Miles Griffith Vaughan Cha. Burton Walter Dougharty Lewis Billingsly	- -
Colonel William Seymour's.	Colonel Wm. Seymour Major Wm. Dornell Alexander Hamilton John Le Hunt Henry Fullville Lesly Finch John Gilbert Wm. Helmsly Wm. Bissett	11 4 7 2 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 8	John Hutton Paul Craddock Henry Dale Francis Scott John Lowther Tho. Crawford William Walcott Robert Parker Winwood Masham	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	James De Joye Sam. Graham Tho. Willis Catts Haston John Whitehall Sam. Bell William Adams Tho. Sutton Peter Colborn	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -

Regiments.	Captains.	Lieutenants.	Ensigns.
	per Diem. s. d.	per Diem. s. d.	per Diem. s. d.
	Abr. Delivron - - - 4 8 Nic. Lechire - - - 4 8	John Hill - - - John Finch - - - Richard Cullom - - Richard Hammaker -	Wm. Armorer - - Tho. Hooper - - Isaac Ewres - - James Moor - - Charles Josselyne; Chaplain, 3s. 4d. John Webb, Quartermaster, 2s.
Colonel Edward Dutton Colt's.	Colonel Edward Dutton Colt - 11 4 Lieutenant Colonel Theo. Rabesnier - 8 2 Major Henry Grove - - - 7 2 William Abrahall - - - 4 8 John Phil. Goodwyn - - - 4 8 Geo. Dutton Colt - - - 4 8 Richard Cobham - - - 4 8 Robert Swift - - - 4 8 John Thompson - - - 4 8 Lewis De Sediere - - - 4 1 Cha. Deereham - - - 4 8 Ant. Stoughton - - - 4 8 Oliver d'Harcourt - - - 4 8	James Painter - - John Stennett - - Peter Regnaud - - Nic. Cook - - - Geo. Grime - - - John Canvall - - Alexander Forster - Robert Innis - - Wm. Whitacre - - William Codd - - - Alexander Mackraw - Rich. Cole - - - John Barraton - -	Wm. Charnell - - Sir Wm. Mansell - - William Betbreech - Peter Hall - - - Robert Smith - - Lewis de Boye - - Robert Pargiter - - Fran. Otway - - - James Rainsford - - Richard Stroughill - John Vaugensigne - Robert Cox, Chaplain, - - 3s. 4d. Wm. Fiswick, Quartermaster, 2s.
Colonel Harry Mordaunt's.	Lieutenant Colonel Joseph Johnson - 8 2 Major Edward Norton - - - 7 2 Lewis Mordaunt - - - 4 8 Louis Cout de Legniere - - - 4 8 Francis Rufaine - - - 4 8 Nic. de la Noe - - - 4 8 Hugh Deane - - - 4 8 John Brereton - - - 4 8 Tho. Somner - - - 4 8 Sam. Forster - - - 4 8	Mich. Benedict - - Theo. Duchesne - - Ja. La Boullaye - - Geo. Ford - - - John Jewett - - - Tho. Wiltshire - - John Woodcock - - Fra. Foulk - - - * Desclauseux - - Lewis Rivall - - - John Sait - - - Obadiah More - - Geo. Foukes - - -	Henry Nicholls - - Hugh White - - - Cha. Harwick - - - Paul Dancour - - - Oliver Hetherington - Henry Mordaunt - - Tho. Browne - - - John Maynard - - - Sam. Forrester - - Cha. Mordaunt - - Cha. Mordaunt - - Geo. Patricks - - Peter Rivall, Chaplain, - - 3s. 4d. Lewis du Plessy, Quartermaster, 2s.

Half-pay  
List.

Regiments.	Captains, &c.	per Diem. s. d.	First Lieutenants.	per Diem. s. d.	Second Lieutenants	per Diem. s. d.
Colonel Thomas Brudenall's.	Major Jos. Stopford	-	Cha. Stevans	-	Giles Stevens	-
	Ellis Cooper	-	Win. Sanderson	-		-
	Gilbert Symmons	-	Humphrey Leary	-		-
	William Spragg	-	Richard Allison	-		-
	Benj. Bennett	-	Joseph Buttler	-		-
	John Webb	-	Henry Killigrew	-		-
	James Plunkett	-	Tho. Browne	-		-
	John Phillips	-	John Davis	-		-
	Cha. Williams	-	Ruben Caillaud	-		-
	John Harnage	-	Tho. Willson	-		-
	Robert Hill	-	Robert Bing	-		-
		-		-		-
		-		-		-
		-		-		-

Ralph Halsan, Quartermaster, 2s.

Invalids.

To Sixty-eight disabled Officers, and Six hundred disabled private Men, for whom there is no room in *Chelsea Hospital*, who are lodged at *Windsor, Hampton Court, Chester, and Tyntmouth*; whose Allowances being Half-pay to the Officers, and Five-pence a Day to each private Man, besides Cloaths once in Two Years, amounts, in One Year, to Six thousand Seven hundred Sixty-three Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Eight-pence

£. s. d.  
6,763 18 8

Commissaries of the Musters.

Deputy Commissaries.	Two old Marine Regiments.	Four late Marine Regiments.
Charl. Abington	Sir Tho. Knatchbull	Geo. Byng
Geo. Harlackenden	Geo. Gillard	Edward Aylmer
Tho. Aldcroft		

By his Majesty's Command,  
*Tankerville, Ste. Fox, J. Smith, H. Boyle, Richard Hill.*

William R.

Additional List and Establishment of Half-pay, for the several *English* disbanded Officers, hereafter mentioned; and of such who served in *Scots* Regiments, upon *English* Establishments, at the time of their being disbanded; to commence from the several Days of their being disbanded, and Naturalization, respectively; and to be continued until *Christmas* next, upon Certificates, as in the foregoing List.

Half-pay  
List.

Regiments.	Persons Names and Qualifications.	Allowance, per Diem.		
		£.	s.	d.
Earl of Lindsey's	Captain William Davison	0	4	8
Colonel Bochan's	Captain John le Wright	0	4	8
Earl of Strathnaver's	Lieutenant John Fishwick	0	2	4
Lord Jedbrough's Dragoons	Lieutenant Gustavus Belford	0	3	0
Lord Lornes'	Lieutenant Oliver Wheeler	0	2	4
Colonel Geo. Hamilton's	Lieutenant John Higgins	0	2	4
Earl of Portmore's	Ensign Theop. Nicholls	0	1	10
Colonel Bochan's	Captain Sixth Dahlem	0	4	8
Lord Lornes'	Captain de la Bene	0	4	8
Colonel Row's	Captain Millon	0	4	8
	Lieutenant John Hauteclair	0	2	4
Brigadier Maitland's	Captain La Tour	0	4	8
Colonel Bochan's	Captain Gignoux	0	4	8
Lord Portmore's	Ensign Daniel Champagne	0	1	10
Lord Portmore's	Murvin Perry, Chaplain	0	3	4
Colonel Bochan's	Lieutenant Colonel Guillim	0	8	2
Colonel Geo. Hamilton's	Captain James Gibson	0	4	8
Lord Jedborough's	Lieutenant John Bland	0	3	0
	Cornet Archibald Primrose	0	2	6
Colonel Row's	Captain Henry Worthley	0	4	8
Scots Guards	Edward D'Auvergne, Chaplain	0	3	4
		3	18	4

By his Majesty's Command,

Tankerville,

Ste. Fox,

Richard Hill,

J. Smith,

H. Boyle.

By the Lords Justices.

Tho. Cantuar', N. Wright, C. S. J. Bridgwater, Marlborough.

An additional List and Establishment of Half-pay, for the Chaplains, and other Officers of the several Regiments hereunder mentioned, lately disbanded; to commence as is hereafter expressed; and to be continued, and paid to them from time to time, upon the usual Certificates from the Commissaries General of the Musters, of their being alive, and not otherwise provided for, until *Christmas* next. Given at the Court at *Whitehall*, this 20th Day of August One thousand Seven hundred, in the Twelfth Year of his Majesty's Reign.

Regiments.	Persons Names and Qualities.	Allowance per Diem.			Commencement.
		£.	s.	d.	
Major General Lumly's	John Petler, Chaplain	0	3	4	From the 24th of April 1700.
Colonel Wood's	Geo. Child, Chaplain	0	3	4	
Brigadier Windham	Walter Wells, Chaplain	0	3	4	
Duke Schonberg	Dean Scarsdale, Chaplain	0	3	4	
Royal Dragoons	James Johnson, Chaplain	0	3	4	
Colonel Loyd's	John Hilton, Chaplain	0	3	4	
Brigadier Slwyn'	Josiah Alsop, Chaplain	0	3	4	
Major General Churchill's	John Harris, Chaplain	0	3	4	From the 15th of July 1700.
Brigadier Trelawney'	Nic. Griles	0	3	4	
Royal Regiment of Fusileers	Captain Francis Rainsford	0	4	8	
	Captain Phil. Honeywood	0	4	8	
	Captain Jo. Bickerstaffe	0	4	8	
	Lieutenant James Wibeault	0	2	4	
	Lieutenant Jervas Parker	0	2	4	
	Lieutenant Gregory Odiam	0	2	4	
	Sam. Harwar, Chaplain	0	3	4	
	Total	2	14	4	per Diem.

A true Extract,  
Wm. Blathwaite.

By their Excellencies Command,

Ste. Fox,

J. Smith,

Richard Hill.



## An Abstract of the Charge of Half-pay, according to the Establishment.

										per Diem.			per Annum.		
										£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Colonel Harvy's late Regiment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	7	7			
The Lord Windsor's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	7			
Colonel Leigh's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	10	10			
The Earl of Denbigh's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	7	4			
Major General Erle's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	9	0			
The late Duke of Bolton's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	13	2			
Colonel Coote's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	3	6			
Colonel Brudenall's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5	6			
Colonel Saunderson's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5	0			
Colonel Gibson's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	12	6			
Colonel Farrington's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	17	10			
Colonel Northcote's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	10	0			
Company of Miners	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	6	9			
Company at Upnor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	4	2			
Royal Regiment of Dragoons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	0			
Colonel Lloyd's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	6			
Earl of Essex	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	6			
Brigadier Selwyn's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	10			
Major General Churchill's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	6			
Brigadier Trelawny's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	8			
Major General Erle's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	6	6			
Colonel Holt's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	10			
Colonel Russel's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	11	10			
Colonel Lillingston's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	9	0			
Marquis of Carmarthen's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	19	4			
Sir Cloudsly Shovell's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	14	10			
Colonel Seymour's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	0	0			
Colonel Colt's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	9	2			
Colonel Mordaunt's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	10	4			
Colonel Brudenall's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	4			
Invalids	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	13	7½			
Commissaries of the Musters	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	0			
										129 1 6½					
Additional List	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	18	4			
List of Chaplains, and other Officers, of the Fusileers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	14	4			
										6 12 8					
										135 14 2½			49,534 6 7		
To which may be added, for the Officers of Colonel Fore's Regiment, lately disbanded in the Leeward Islands, and daily expected Home, about													2,200 0 0		
													51,734 6 7		
The Money saved by the Officers dead, and provided for, to the First of April 1701, amounts to													2,418 3 6		
Remaining Charge													49,316 3 1		

Ordered, That the said List do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Kidd desires to attend the House. The House being informed, That Captain *Kidd* desired to be brought again to the House, having something to say to the House;

Ordered, That Captain *Kidd* be sent for to attend this House immediately: And that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Keeper of *Newgate* for that Purpose.

Army Arrears. A Petition of *Mary Berrington*, Aunt and Executrix of *John Berrington*, late Captain in the Marine Regiment, then commanded by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Torrington*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Captain was killed on board the *Restauration* in the Sea Fight at *Torbay*; and the Petitioner supplied him with Money to answer his Occasions; and, in 1691, or 1692, obtained a stated Account of Pay due to the said Captain, and his Company, under the Hand of Mr. *Seaborne Bucheridge*, then Agent of the said

Regiment; whereby it appeared there was due to the said Captain, 268 *l.* 13 *s.*: That the Petitioner has made constant Application to the former Agents, and, of late, to Mr. *Richard Harnage*, the late Agent; but could never obtain One Penny Satisfaction for the said Arrears: And praying, That Mr. *Harnage*, who did actually receive the Arrears of the said Regiment, may shew Cause why the Petitioner may not receive the Arrears due to her said Nephew; and that she may be relieved concerning the same.

Ordered, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, to examine the Matter of the said Petition; and state the Fact to the House.

A Petition of *Richard Caryll* Esquire, and *John Caryll* Esquire, his Son, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *John Caryll*, the Petitioner *Richard's* Brother, was only Tenant for Life of the Manor of *West Harding*, and Hundred of *Dumford*, Com' *Sussex*, and went into *France* with the late Queen, and was outlawed

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outlawed for Treason; and all his Estate real and personal, was seized into the King's Hands, as if he were seised in Fee, several of those Estates being, long before his Outlawry, vested in the Petitioners: That his Majesty granted all the said Estates to a Person of Honour, who hath endeavoured to possess himself thereof by Law; but the Petitioners, pleading their Titles to the Premises, continued the Possession; and to avoid further Prosecution and Waste, have actually paid 6,000 *l.* for the said Grantee's Interest: That the said outlawed *John Caryll* is 75 Years of Age, was never in Arms, and only attended on the said Queen as her menial Servant: And praying, That a saving Clause for the Petitioners may be inserted in the Bill before the House, for resuming the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Resumption  
of Grants.

A Petition of *Elizabeth Meese*, Mother and Executrix of *George Meese* Esquire, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said *George* obtained a Warrant from the late Queen *Mary*, dated 7th May 1691, for the Attorney General to prepare Letters Patents for granting to the said *George*, who had been a Rear Admiral in his Majesty's Service, wherein he and his Brother lost their Lives, Two Rent-charges of 40 *l.* per Annum each, payable to Two Jesuits for their Lives, One of them being since dead; which Rent-charges were, in King *Charles* the Second's Reign, by Inquisition, returned into the Exchequer, and vested in the Crown: That *Geo. Meese*, and the Petitioner, have been at great Charges in suing for, and discovering, the said Rent-charges; and having not yet received any Benefit thereof: And praying, That the Benefit of the said Grant may be saved to the Petitioner, by inserting a Clause for that Purpose, in the Bill to resume the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Uses of the Publick.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Ditto.

A Petition of *Hester Hervart*, Widow and Relict of *Charles de la Tour*, Marquis de *Gouvernet*, was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That, on the Marriage of the Petitioner's Daughter *Hester* with the Lord *Eland*, eldest Son of the late Marquis of *Halifax*, a Fee-farm Rent of 550 *l.* per Annum, after Queen Dowager's Death, was settled in Part of her Jointure; which was purchased of the Trustees for Sale of Fee-farm Rents, for 4,255 *l.* 4 *s.* 10 *d.*: That the Lord *Eland*, by his Will, gave his Widow the said Fee-farm Rent to pay his Debts; and the Lady *Eland*, by the Assistance of the Petitioner, paid almost 6,000 *l.* and the Petitioner above 1,000 *l.* and several Debts are yet standing out: That the Lady *Eland*, by her Will, gave the said Fee-farm Rent to the Petitioner, and her Heirs; but, there being no Witnesses to it, though all of her own Hand-writing, the Petitioner was advised, and accordingly did procure an Inquisition to be found, to intitle his Majesty to the said Fee-farm Rent; who, by Letters Patents, dated the 29th April 1695, granted the same to the Lord *Romney*, and Sir *Cha. Cotterell*, and their Heirs; and they, by Deed of the same Date, do declare the Grant to be in Trust for the Petitioner: And praying, That a Clause, for preserving the Petitioner's Interest in the said Grant, may be inserted in the Bill to resume the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of several Non-commissioned Officers and Troopers, late belonging to the Regiment of Horse commanded by the Earl of *Galway*, was presented to

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the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners cannot get fair Accounts from their respective Captains; nor would they pay what they pleased, except the Petitioners signed a Paper, which they had not the Liberty to read; and about 19 *l.* 13 *s.* 4 *d.* per Month was stopt out of the Troopers Subsistence, while in actual Service, for such as were sick or disabled; which was not paid for that Purpose: And praying Relief in the Premises, that they may be paid what is due to them.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, to examine the Matter of the said Petition: And that they do report the Fact to the House.

Mr. *Poultney*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for erecting a Corporation in the Parish of *St. James Westminster*, for Relief of the Poor of that Parish, and setting them to work: And the same was received.

St. James,  
Westminster,  
Poor.

A Petition of the Proprietors of the Malt Lottery Tickets, yet unpaid, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, for the most part, have been forced to live, for these Three last Years, upon what they could borrow upon the Credit of the said Tickets, under the yearly Hope of having them paid off; but the Credit of them daily sinking, for want of more ample Provision than the Vote of this House, the Petitioners can have no further Credit upon such Tickets: And praying, That their said Debt may be placed on an effectual Fund for Payment of the whole Interest now due, and to secure the Principal to the Petitioners.

Lottery  
Tickets.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Sir *Edward Seymour*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better preventing Bribery, and other undue Practices, in Elections; and for preserving the Dignity and Constitution of Parliament: And the same was received.

Regulating  
Elections.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Saturday Morning next.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the lessening the Number of Attornies and Solicitors; and for regulating their Practice: And that Mr. *Hamond*, Mr. *Mompesson*, and Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Lessening the  
Number of  
Attornies.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lowndes* do lay before this House an Account of all publick Aids and Revenues not yet delivered in, and of the Application of the same to *Michaelmas* 1700.

Publick  
Revenues.

*Ordered*, That an Account be laid before this House of the Arrears of Taxes now standing out.

Arrears of  
Taxes.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Members who are to prepare the Bill for the more effectual obliging all Persons that receive publick Monies, to pass their Accounts with Expedition, That they do make Provision, upon the Debate of the House, for the Receivers immediate paying in their Money.

Publick  
Accountants.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament, for the Borough of *Lestwithiell*, in the County of *Cornwall*, in the room of *John Buller* Esquire, deceased.

Lestwithiell  
Writ.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That he had a Message to this House, signed by his Majesty: Which he presented to the House;

Message  
from the  
King—Negotiations with  
France.

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Together

Negotiations  
with France.

Together with an Extract out of the Register of the Resolutions of the States General.

April 4. } One thousand Seven hundred and One.  
March 24. }

The Resolution of the States General, 4th April 1701, about Succours.

The Translation of the Envoy of the States Generals Memorial, March the 30th 1701.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker ; and is as followeth ; viz.

*William R.*

HIS Majesty having received an Account from Mr. *Stanhope*, his Envoy Extraordinary at the *Hague*, That the *French* Ambassador there had declared to the Pensionary, that the King his Master had no other Answer to return to the Demands made by the States General of the *United Provinces*, than that he is ready to renew and confirm the Treaty of *Ryswick*, it being all the Security the States are to expect ; and that he has no Orders to give any Answer to his Majesty's said Envoy ; but, if his Majesty has any thing to demand, it may be done by his Ambassador at *Paris*, or to the *French* Minister at *London* ; and that he has no Commission to treat with any but the States : And his Majesty having also received Two Resolutions of the States, and a Memorial from their Envoy here, relating to the Ships they are sending to join his Majesty's Fleet, and the Succours they desire may be hastened to them, by virtue of the Treaty made the 3d of March 1677 : His Majesty has thought fit to communicate the Whole to this House, that they may be particularly informed of the present State of Affairs abroad, where the Negotiation seems to be at an End, by the positive Answer the *French* Ambassador has given to the States : Which his Majesty recommends to the serious Consideration of this House, as a Matter of the greatest Weight and Consequence ; and desires that they will give his Majesty such Advice thereupon, as may be for our own Security, and that of the States General, and the Peace of *Europe*.

*Kensington*, the 31st Day of March 1701.

And the Titles of the said Extract, and Translations, were read.

And the said Extract, and Translations, are as follow ; viz.

The said Extract.

The *Sieur Councillor* Pensionary *Heinsius* has reported to the Assembly, That the Count *d'Avaux*, Ambassador Extraordinary of the most Christian King, came to him to let him know, that the Courier he had sent into *France* with the Propositions delivered to him by the Deputies of their High and Mightinesses, concerning the Preservation of the publick Peace, and the Security of these States, being returned, has brought Orders to the Count *d'Avaux*, to tell the *Sieur Councillor* Pensionary, That his most Christian Majesty, to shew his Inclination for Peace, was ready to renew the Treaties of *Ryswick*, made in the Year 1697 ; and that the said Count *d'Avaux* had desired him to make Report thereof, and desire an Answer thereupon as soon as possible : Whereupon, Deliberation being had, it was thought good, and agreed, to require and give Order to the *Sieur d'Essen*, and other Deputies of their High and Mightinesses for foreign Affairs, to impart and communicate the same to Mr. *Stanhope*, Envoy Extraordinary of his Majesty of *Great Britain*, and to enter into Conference with him thereupon.

Extract of the Register of the Resolutions of the High and Mighty Lords the States General of the *United Provinces* of the *Low Countries*.

*Monday* 4th April 1701.

After previous Deliberation, it has been thought fit, and is concluded, to require and commission the *Sieur d'Essen*, and other Deputies of their High and Mighty Lordships for the foreign Affairs, to enter into Conference with Mr. *Stanhope*, the Envoy Extraordinary of his

Majesty of *Great Britain* ; and to represent to him, that as soon as their Lordships had Notice of the Demand made by him the said Mr. *Stanhope*, in another Conference, in the Name, and by the Order, of his said Majesty, that they would give the necessary Orders for fitting out the Ships of War that his Majesty might require, in case of Necessity, for his Assistance, according to the Treaties between his said Majesty and their High and Mightinesses, they immediately took care to have the said Ships equipped, so that they are, at this time, most of them ready : That their Lordships have given Orders to the Admiralties, to send those Ships, with the first fair Wind, to their Rendezvous, in order to join his Majesty's Fleet : That their Lordships having on their Side prayed his Majesty, by the *Sieur Geldermansen*, their Envoy Extraordinary, that he would be pleased, in Consideration of the present Juncture of Affairs, to have in Readiness the Succour agreed on by the Treaties to be sent hither to the Assistance of their Lordships, in case they were attacked, they had understood, with great Satisfaction, the good Disposition his Majesty was in to perform the Treaties, and consequently to send them the Assistance demanded : The Case now happening, and their High Mightinesses seeing daily more Troops approaching to their Frontiers, and the Preparations for War that are making in their Neighbourhood, they cannot but apprehend their Country may suddenly be assaulted ; and that, in such Case, the time might be too short to bring over hither the said Succours with so much Expedition as Necessity might require : And as their High and Mightinesses did not only give Directions immediately for fitting out the Men of War required by his Majesty, but also ordered them to set Sail forthwith, to join his Majesty's Fleet ; they hope, for the Reasons before-mentioned, his Majesty will make no difficulty to send them likewise, immediately, the 10,000 Men for their Assistance, by virtue of the Treaty of the Third of March One thousand Six hundred and Seventy-seven-eight : And therefore the said Deputies shall desire the said Mr. *Stanhope* to employ his good Offices, that the said Ten thousand Men may be sent hither, and the sooner the better.

The said Translation of the Envoy of the States Generals Memorial, March the 30th, 1701.

The underwritten Envoy Extraordinary of the States General of the *United Provinces* has received Orders to represent, with very great Respect, to your Majesty, That your Minister at the *Hague* having, on your Majesty's behalf, demanded, that the Ships of War, wherewith they are obliged, by virtue of the Treaties, to assist your Majesty, might be forthwith equipped, they had immediately given the necessary Orders for that Purpose ; so that most of the said Vessels are actually ready, with Directions to set Sail, and join your Majesty's Fleet, with the first fair Wind.

Their High and Mightinesses having also, on their Side, desired of your Majesty by the Underwritten, That you would be pleased, in Consideration of the present Juncture, to have in a Readiness the Succours stipulated by the Treaty of the Third of March 1677-8 ; and having, with great Satisfaction, understood your Majesty's favourable Disposition in that Matter ; they have given Orders to the Underwritten to represent anew to your Majesty, That the Preparations for War daily increasing in their Neighbourhood, as well as the Number of Troops which approach their Frontiers, they think there is just Reason to apprehend they shall suddenly be attacked ; in which Case, your Majesty's Succours could not arrive so soon as Necessity might require ; which obliges them to desire your Majesty to send to them, without any further Delay, the Ten thousand Men stipulated by the said Treaty : And they the rather hope for it, since, on their Part, they have not only made ready the Ships of War which they are obliged to furnish, but have also actually given Order for their joining your Majesty's Fleet.

*London*, March 30th, 1701.

*Resolved,*

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, take into Consideration his Majesty's most gracious Message.

enabled to take in, and let out, her own and her Children's Money, as there shall be Occasion: And the same was received.

Limitation  
of the Crown.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the further Limitation of the Crown; and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Kidd brought  
up, and heard.

The House being informed, That Captain *Kidd* was brought, according to Order;

He was called in, and heard;

And then withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Captain *Kidd* be remanded to the Prison of *Newgate*.

Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, after his Majesty's most gracious Message taken into Consideration, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty: And that the Engineers, and Officers of the Ordnance, do then attend the said Committee.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

London  
Trust  
Lands.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for transferring the Trust in Lands belonging to the City of *London* unto new Trustees:

Jermyn's  
Estate.

And also a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Stephen Jermyn* to make Provision for his younger Children, and for the Advancement of his eldest Son: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis*, 1<sup>o</sup> die *Aprilis*;

13<sup>o</sup> *Willielmi*, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

Lady Bulk-  
ley's Estate.

A BILL to enable the Right Honourable *Elizabeth* Lady *Bulkley*, to sell certain Lands in the County of *Devon*, and City and County of the City of *Exon*, for the Payment of Debts, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Vaughan*, Sir *John Packington*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Humphrey Mackworth*, Mr. *Walmsly*, Sir *William Hustler*, Mr. *Blofield*, Mr. *Rowny*, Sir *John Kay*, Mr. *Palmes*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Renda*, Sir *Samuel Bernadiston*, Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Joseph Jekill*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Sir *Fran. Marsham*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Bulkly*; and all that serve for the County of *Devon* and *Wales*, and City of *Exon*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Norwich  
Small Debts.

Mr. *Blofield*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for erecting a Court of Requests, or Conscience, in the City and County of the City of *Norwich*, for Recovery of small Debts, under Forty Shillings: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Barkstead's  
Nat.

Mr. *Gulston*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for naturalizing *Jane Barkstead* Widow; and vesting several Mortgages and Securities for Part of her late Husband's Estate in her; whereby she may be

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An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, an Act or vesting and settling certain Manors and Lands in *South Pickenham*, and other Places, in the County of *Norfolke*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for laying out the Monies arising by Sale thereof in the Purchase of other Lands to be settled to such and the same Uses as the said Manors and Lands, so to be vested, are and stand settled; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of *John Edwards* Gentleman, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Alice Bromwich* Widow, deceased, by her last Will, dated the 12th of July 1689, after some small Legacies, gave her personal Estate unto her Two Son's-in-law, Sir *Francis Charlton* Baronet, and *Roger Pope* junior, Esquire, in Trust for the Children, Males and Females, of her Two Daughters, Dame *Dorothy* Wife of the said Sir *Francis*, and *Elizabeth* Wife of the said *Roger Pope*; and made the said *Roger Pope* Executor; and soon after died: Pursuant to which Trust, Sir *Francis*, and Mr. *Pope*, did purchase a Messuage and Lands in the County of *Chester*, and by Indenture Sextipartite, dated 1<sup>o</sup> *Septembris* 1691, settled the same, to answer the said Trust: That some of Mrs. *Broomwich*'s Debtors proving insolvent, Mr. *Pope* was forced to borrow 450*l.* to make up the Purchase-money; and prevailed with the Petitioner, and *Edward Bickerton*, to be bound for it; and by Indenture Quinquupartite, dated 30<sup>o</sup> *die Sept.* 1697, and by another Quadrupartite, dated 15<sup>o</sup> *die Nov.* 1697, the said purchased Premises are mentioned to be assigned to the Petitioner for raising the said 450*l.* and indemnifying him in what he did relating to the Trust; and the Residue of the said Trust Estate was to be disposed of in Performance of the Will: But, in regard of the Precedency of the said Sextipartite Deed before the said Two other Deeds, the Petitioner could not sell the said Estate; and therefore preferred his Bill in Chancery against the said Sir *Francis* and his Wife, *Blundell Charlton* Esquire their Son, the said *Roger Pope*, and others; to which they answered; and the Case heard before the Master of the Rolls; and decreed, That the Premises should be sold to the best Purchaser, to be allowed by Mr. *Pitt* the Master, and all Parties concerned, to join in the Sale; and the Money arising, in the First Place, applied to pay the said 450*l.* to the Petitioner, and the said *Roger Pope* the Executor, with all other Monies by them disbursed, in relation to the said Trust; together with Costs of Suit; and the Residue of the Money, arising by such Sale, to be applied according to the Direction of the said Will: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for confirming the said Decree, and all the Matters and Things therein decreed.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Gower* and Mr. *Mitton* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Leigh*, Mr. *Halford*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Ekins*, Mr. *Mompesson*, be added to the Committee, who were appointed to search Precedents in relation to what has been done where Members were absent in foreign Parts.

A Petition of *Richard Bigg* Gentleman, and *Frances* his Wife, one of the Daughters of *Matthew Lister* Esquire, and the said *Matthew Lister* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Mr. *Bigg*, having settled an Estate in *Hertfordshire* upon Trustees, for the Use of himself for Life, liable to the Payment, after his Life, to 60*l.* annually, to *Frances* his said Wife for Life, for her Jointure; with Remainders over to the First and other Sons in Tail Male; the Petitioner, Mr. *Lister*,

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South Pickenham.

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Decree in  
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absent  
abroad.

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*Lister*, did convey to the said Trustees an Estate of Two hundred and Eighty Pounds per Annum, after the Decease of himself and Wife; as to One Fourth Part thereof to the Use of Mr. *Bigg* and his Wife for Life; and then to the Issue of that Marriage: That Mr. *Bigg*, by great Losses, is involved in great Debts, and no way able to discharge the same, but by raising Money on the *Hertfordshire* . . . . .: And praying Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to empower the said Trustees to raise Fifteen hundred Pounds upon the said *Hertfordshire* Estate, to pay off the said Mr. *Bigg*'s Debts; and also to empower him to relinquish his Estate for Life, in the Fourth Part of the other Estate, for the Benefit of such Person to whom the Estate is limited in Remainder by the said Settlement.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *John Kay* and the Lord *Fairfax*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Arthur's  
Nat.

A Petition of *Archibald Arthur* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, as Heir to *Thomas Parker*, deceased, is intitled to several Lands in the County of *Essex*, and is in quiet Possession of the same; and, intending to make a Settlement thereof, is informed he cannot safely do the same, being born in *Holland*: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for that Purpose; and for his Naturalization.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *John Packington*, and Mr. *Monckton*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

Fawconer's  
Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting and settling several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, belonging to *John Fawconer* Esquire, in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Lessening the  
Number of  
Attornies.

Mr. *Hammond*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for lessening the Number of Attornies and Solicitors; and for regulating their Practice: And the same was received.

Resumption  
of Grants.

A Petition of *Henry Washington* Gentleman, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, by Letters Patents, dated the 19th Day of December, in the 11th Year of his Majesty's Reign, having purchased of his Majesty some Lands in the County of *Berks*, for which he paid 350*l.* the full Value thereof: And praying a proper Saving, for his Case, may be inserted in the Bill to resume the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill is committed.

Deane's  
Estate.

A Petition of *James Deane*, Son and Heir of *John Deane*, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That upon the Petitioner's Marriage, in 1683, with *Jane* the Daughter of *John Bowles*, the Petitioner's Father did settle the Capital Messuages, Farm, and Lands, in *Oxenword*, and elsewhere, in the Counties of *Berks* and *Wilts*, Part upon himself for Life; and the Remainder thereof, and also the rest of the said Estate, upon the Petitioner, and his said Wife, for Life; and to the Heirs Males of the Body of the Petitioner on the said *Jane*; with Remainders over: That the said Estate being incumbered by the Petitioner's Father; and he, and the Petitioner and his Wife, being enabled by Law, to bar as well the Estates for Life, as

the said Estate Tail, and Remainders thereupon; a new Settlement was made the 7th of June 1694, whereby Part of the Estate was limited to the Petitioner's Father for Life; Remainder to certain Persons, to secure 1,000*l.* then owing thereon, and yet unpaid; Remainder to the Petitioner and his Wife for Life; with other Remainders over: That there is a Term of 500 Years limited in the said Settlement to secure 2,000*l.* for the Petitioner's younger Children: That the whole Estate is not above 150*l.* per Annum, and out of Repair; and is charged with 40*l.* per Annum to the Petitioner's Father's Widow for Life: That the Petitioner's Father and Wife are dead; and the Estate not more than sufficient to pay the Interest of the Mortgage-money: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for Sale of the said Estate; and securing the Monies raised thereby for the Benefit of the Petitioner, and his Family, according to the Settlement.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that the Lord *Cornbury*, and Mr. *Bertie*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

A Petition of *William Staxell*, Alderman of the City of *Dublin*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, in the Year 1691, did provide several Utensils for the Train of Artillery, amounting to 257*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.*; without which the Train of Artillery could not have marched to *Athlone*; and was promised present Payment by the then Lords Justices; and, having been out of his Money for Ten Years, is thereby become a great Sufferer: And praying the said Money may be paid, with some Allowance for his being so kept thereout.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, to examine the Matter of the said Petition; and report the Fact to the House.

A Petition of *Nathanael Booth* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner's House, called *Gray Fryars*, in the City of *Chester*, was, upon the Reduction of *Ireland*, by Warrant from Duke *Schomberg* to the Mayor of the City, converted into an Hospital for the Use of his Majesty's sick Soldiers; by which he received great Damages: And praying the said Hospital Accounts may be laid before the Commissioners of Accounts, or he otherwise relieved in the Premises.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, to examine the Matter of the said Petition; and report the Fact to this House;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of Captain *James Thrilcott*, and Ensign *Antony Stampe*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners served in the Earl of *Roscommon*'s Regiment in *Ireland*, till it was incorporated into Major General *Earl*'s Regiment; and that there is Pay due to them for their Services: And praying the Petitioners may be paid what is due to them, and be inserted with the rest of the Officers, which are already established under Half-pay.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, to examine the Matter of the said Petition; and report the Fact to this House;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of the Clothiers of *Kinver*, in the County of *Stafford*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That of late there hath been a very great Decay of the Woollen Manufacture of this Kingdom, by the secret Importation of Wool into *France*, out of the Counties of *Kent*, *Sussex*, and *Suffolk*, notwithstanding the Vessels and Men appointed to look after the same: And praying this House will take effectual Care to prevent the same for the future.

*Ordered*,



*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, who are appointed to inspect the Laws in being, relating to the Woollen Manufactures.

**Limitation of the Crown.** A Bill for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject, was, according to Order, read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Monday Morning next.

**Answer to Address.** Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That he would please to give Order, That Captain *Kidd* may be proceeded against according to Law; his Majesty has been pleased to give the necessary Directions for the Tryal of the said Captain *Kidd*.

**State of the Nation—Partition Treaty.** Colonel *Granville*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of the State of the Nation, and of the Treaty of Partition, the Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *William Earl of Portland*, by negotiating and concluding the Treaty of Partition, which was destructive to the Trade of this Kingdom, and dangerous to the Peace of Europe, is guilty of an High Crime and Misdemeanor.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *William Earl of Portland*, by negotiating and concluding the Treaty of Partition, which was destructive to the Trade of this Kingdom, and dangerous to the Peace of Europe, is guilty of a High Crime and Misdemeanor.

**Earl of Portland impeached.** *Resolved*, That *William Earl of Portland* be impeached of High Crimes and Misdemeanors.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Leveson Gower* do go up to the Lords, and, at their Bar, in the Name of the House of Commons, and of all the Commons of England, impeach *William Earl of Portland* of High Crimes and Misdemeanors; and acquaint them, That this House will, in due time, exhibit particular Articles against him, and make good the same.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Articles of Impeachment against *William Earl of Portland*:

And it is referred to Mr. *Finch*, Mr. *How*, Sir *Christopher Musgrave*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Doctor *Davenant*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Thomas Powis*, Sir *William Coryton*, Lord *Mordaunt*, Mr. *Dolben*, Sir *John Leveson Gower*, Mr. Attorney General, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Humphrey Mackworth*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *Bartholomew Shower*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Hammond*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*.

And Sir *John Leveson Gower* went up to the Lords, with the said Impeachment.

Sir *John Leveson Gower* reported, That he had been at the Lords, according to Order; and, at their Bar, had impeached *William Earl of Portland* of High Crimes and Misdemeanors; and acquainted them, That this House will, in due Time, exhibit particular Articles against him, and make good the same.

**Partition Treaty.** *Resolved*, That a Conference be desired with the Lords upon the Matters relating to the Treaty of Partition.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *St. John* do go up to the Lords, and desire the said Conference.

Mr. *St. John* reported, That he having, according to Order, been at the Lords, to desire a Conference; the Lords do agree to a Conference, accordingly, To-morrow at One a Clock, in the Painted Chamber.

*Ordered*, That the Committee who are appointed to draw up the Articles of Impeachment, do manage the said Conference.

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*Ordered*, That the Consideration how this House will further proceed, with relation to the Crimes, whereof *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, stands convicted before this House, be adjourned until this Day Sevensnight.

Charge of Bribery against Mr. Shepherd, a Member.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 2° die Aprilis;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

A BILL for erecting a Corporation in the Parish of *St. James, Westminster*, for Relief of the Poor of that Parish, and setting them on Work, was read the First time.

St. James, Westminster Poor.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be read a Second time; It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Managers, appointed for the Conference with the Lords, do withdraw into the Speaker's Chamber, and draw up what is to be offered at the said Conference.

Conference with Lords.

The House being informed, That the Commissioners for preventing the Exportation of Wool attended;

Seizures of Wool.

They were called in; and, at the Bar, Sir *Gabriel Roberts*, and other Commissioners, presented to the House an Account of the several Seizures made by the Officers deputed by the Commissioners to prevent the Exportation of Wool; and their several Appraisements, Compositions, and Prosecutions thereupon; and how the King's Part of such Seizures have been disposed of, and now stand, since the Tenth Day of July 1698.

And then they withdrew.

And the Title of the said Account was read.

The Account itself is bound up with the Papers of this Sessions.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant do take care, that Mr. *Whittacre*, in his Custody, be, from time to time, brought to attend the Committee appointed to inquire into his Behaviour since he has been in the Employment of Solicitor of the Admiralty, as the Committee shall direct.

A Person in Custody to be brought up for Examination.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations do lay before this House an Account of what Complaints have been made to them, in relation to the Trade, or Courts of Justice, in the several Plantations in America, whether in the Proprietary Governments, or elsewhere; and what they have done thereupon.

American Plantations.

*Ordered*, That the Auditor of the Receipt of the Exchequer do lay before this House an Account of what Money hath been paid for Interest, either to the Treasurer of the Navy, or Treasurer of the Army, or their Agents or Instruments, since the Thirteenth Day of February 1688.

Interest paid to Navy Treasurer, &c.

A Petition of Colonel *John Bucan* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, commanding a Regiment of Foot on the English Establishment during the late War, did appoint one *William Graham* to be his Agent; by virtue of which Appointment the said *Graham*, and, by his Order and Direction, one Mr. *Godfrey Webster*, have each of them got great Sums of the publick Money into their Hands, which did belong to the said Regiment, and refuse to come to any Account: And praying this House to empower the Commissioners for stating the Debts due to the Army, or appoint a Committee, to examine the Accounts of the said *Graham* and *Webster*, and relieve the Petitioner.

Army Arrears.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts,

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Accounts, to examine the Matter of the said Petition; and report the Fact to this House.

Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Conference with Lords.

Colonel *Granville* reported, That the Managers appointed to withdraw into the Speaker's Chamber, and draw up what is to be offered at the Conference with the Lords, had drawn up the same accordingly, and directed him to report the same to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read, and agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz.

It appearing by your Lordship's Journal, That your Lordships have received Information of some Transactions between the Earl of *Portland* and Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, relating to the Partition of the Spanish Monarchy, the Commons, having the said Matter under their Consideration, desire your Lordships will be pleased to communicate to the Commons, what Informations your Lordships have had of any Transactions relating to any Negotiations, or Treaties of Partition, of the Spanish Monarchy, by Letters or otherwise; and the Commons are fully assured, That your Lordships will readily concur in assisting them in this Inquiry, which they conceive absolutely necessary for the Safety and Honour of this Kingdom, and the Preservation of the Peace of Europe.

Hinde's Petition.

A Petition of \* *Hinde* was presented to the House, and read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Petition against Lord Portmore.

A Petition against the Lord *Portmore* was presented to the House, and read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Conference with Lords.

Then the Managers went to the Conference. And, being returned;

Colonel *Granville* reported, That they had attended the Conference, and offered what the House had directed.

King's Message considered.

The House proceeded, according to Order, to take into Consideration his Majesty's most gracious Message upon *Monday* last: And the same was again read.

Address for carrying on the Negotiations.

Resolved, *nemine contradicente*, That the humble Advice of this House be given to his Majesty, to desire, That his Majesty will be pleased to carry on the Negotiations, in Concert with the States General, and take such Measures therein, as may most conduce to their Security; and that his Majesty will pursue the Treaty made with the States General the Third of March 1677; and to assure his Majesty, That this House will effectually enable him to support the said Treaty of 1677.

Supply.

Then the Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, being read;

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do take into Consideration the enabling his Majesty to make good the Treaty with the States General of the Third of March 1677.

Then the House resolved itself into the said Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Jovis, 3<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

A BILL for naturalizing *Jane Barkstead* Widow; and vesting several Mortgages and Securities, for Part of her late Husband's Estate, in her; whereby she may be enabled to take in and let out her own, and her Children's Money, as there shall be Occasion; was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for vesting the Estate of *Lucretia Tipping*, an Infant, in Trustees, upon her Marriage under Age, in order to the Sale thereof, for a Portion upon such Marriage, and a Settlement to be made accordingly, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *William York*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Richard Onslowe*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Sir *Tho. Hales*, Mr. *Ettericke*, Mr. *Weston*, Sir *James Howe*, Sir *Charles Bloys*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Palmes*, Sir *John Mordaunt*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *Lawson*, Sir *Humphry Mackworth*, Mr. *Howe*, Mr. *Paget*, Sir *John Bolls*, Mr. *Dyot*, Sir *John Kaye*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Anderton*, Mr. *Chetwynd*, Mr. *Bere*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Shackerley*, Mr. *Freke*, Sir *Theoph. Oglethorpe*, Sir *Francis Massam*, Mr. *Wharton*, Mr. *Bolter*, Mr. *Onslowe*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Monckton*, Colonel *Stringer*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Long*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *Fortescue*, Mr. *Gott*, Mr. *Yates*; and all that serve for *Leicestershire*, *Oxfordshire*, *Berkshire*, and *Gloucestershire*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon in the Speaker's Chamber.

Mr. *Pagit*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for regulating, and making more useful, the Militia of this Kingdom: And the same was received.

Mr. *Dolben*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for preventing Multiplicity of vexatious Suits; and for settling and ascertaining the Tythes of Lead Ore, in the County of *Derby*: And the same was received, and read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for Sale of the Estate of *William Davison* Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts, and raising his Children's Portions charged thereupon, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Humphry Mackworth*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Blomfield*, Mr. *Lampton*, Sir *Theoph. Oglethorpe*, Mr. *Wynnington*, Mr. *Clerke*, Mr. *Lawson*, Sir *William Ashurst*, Mr. *Lothor*, Mr. *Ashurst*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Palmes*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Etterick*, Sir *John Williams*, Mr. *Bridgman*, Mr. *Fuller*; and all that serve for *Yorkshire*, *Northamptonshire*, and *Durham*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Stephen Jermyn* to make Provision for his younger Children, and for the Advancement of his eldest Son, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

The Lord *Fairfax* reported from the Committee, to whom the Petitions of the poor Prisoners in several Gaols were referred, That they had examined the Matters thereof,

thereof, and were well satisfied with the Truth of the Premises; and had come to a Resolution, which they directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the House be moved for Leave to bring in a Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt: And that the Lord *Fairfax*, and Sir *Samuel Bernardiston*, do prepare, and bring in, the Bill.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, to enable him

to support and maintain the Treaty made with the States General the Third of March One thousand Six hundred and Seventy-seven.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty, to enable him to support and maintain the Treaty made with the States General the Third of March One thousand Six hundred and Seventy-seven.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of what Arrears are standing out upon any Taxes, Aids, or Supplies, granted since his Majesty's Accession to the Crown; and in whose Hands the same doth remain, or upon whom the same are set *insuper*: And also,

A Certificate of Money paid into the Exchequer on the Second Two Shillings Aid, to the First of April One thousand Seven hundred and One, inclusive.

And the Titles thereof were read.

And the said Account, and Certificate, are as follow; viz.

An ACCOUNT of what Arrears are standing out upon Taxes, Aids, or Supplies, granted since his Majesty's Accession to the Crown; and in whose Hands the same doth remain, or upon whom the same are set *insuper*; viz.

*Cambridge and Ely.*

	£.	s.	d.
<i>John Mason</i> , Receiver General for the Aid granted for the Year 1698, in Arrear - - -	3,419	14	5½
For the Third Quarterly Poll for the Year 1698, in Arrear - - -	5,053	12	5½
For the Rates and Duties on Houses, for Three Years, ended at <i>Lady-day</i> 1699, in Arrear -	919	8	2
For Marriages, Births, &c. for Four Years, ended at <i>Lady-day</i> 1699, in Arrear - - -	398	5	0
The Total	9,791	0	1

This Debt of Nine thousand Seven hundred Ninety-one Pounds and One Penny is agreed to be paid by Mr. *Mason*'s Security, Sir *John Conyers*, and others, within Three Months.

*Norfolk.*

<i>Augustine Briggs</i> and <i>Leonard Blofeild</i> , Receivers General for the Duties on Houses, for Three Years, ended at <i>Lady-day</i> 1699, in Arrear - - -	5,191	10	2½
<i>Memorandum</i> : Mr. <i>Blofeild</i> is upon his Accounts before the Auditors for all the other Taxes, for which he was Receiver.			

*Norfolk.*

<i>Augustine Briggs</i> , in Arrear on the One Shilling Aid 1697 - - -	1,521	13	2
For the Subsidies granted 1697, in Arrear - - -	200	0	11¼
For the Aid granted 1698, in Arrear - - -	6,907	14	6½
For the Third Quarterly Poll, granted 1698, in Arrear - - -	4,465	12	6
The Total	18,286	11	5

This Debt of Eighteen thousand Two hundred Eighty-six Pounds Eleven Shillings and Five-pence, Process is issued against the Receiver, and his Security.

*Southampton.*

<i>Thomas Cobb</i> , Receiver General of the Fourth Four Shillings Aid, granted in the Year 1696, in Arrear - - -	4,536	18	6
For the Subsidies granted 1697, in Arrear - - -	72	14	3½
The Total	4,609	12	9½

*Memorandum*: Process was directed to issue against the Receiver; but, he alleging some Duplicates were wanting, ordered a Stay of Process, till the First Day of next Term.

*King's Household.*

Earl of <i>Bradford</i> , Receiver of the Second Three Shillings Aid, granted 1698, in Arrear -	5,197	0	0
For the Third Three Shillings Aid, granted 1699, in Arrear - - -	4,997	0	0
The Total	10,194	0	0

*Chester, County and City.*

<i>Morgan Whitley</i> , Receiver General for the Rate and Duties of Marriages, Births, &c. for Four Years, ended at <i>Lady-day</i> 1699, in Arrear - - -	438	9	6
For the Rates and Duties on Houses, ended at <i>Lady-day</i> 1699, for Three Years, in Arrear -	5,737	8	2
For the Third One Shilling Aids and Subsidies, granted 1697, in Arrear - - -	1,475	6	4
For the Second Three Shillings Aid and Subsidies, granted 1698, in Arrear - - -	2,378	10	2
For the Third Quarterly Poll, granted 1698, in Arrear - - -	2,300	0	0

Arrears of  
Taxes.

## North Wales.

	£.	s.	d.
The said <i>Morgan Whitley</i> , Receiver General for the Rates and Duties on Marriages, Births, &c. } for Four Years, ended at <i>Lady-day</i> 1699, in Arrear - - - - - }	1,717	0	0
For the Rates and Duties on Houses, ended at <i>Lady-day</i> 1699, for Three Years, in Arrear - - - - -	5,824	0	0
For the Third One Shilling Aids and Subsidies, granted 1697, in Arrear - - - - -	9,000	0	0
For the Second Three Shillings Aid, granted 1698, in Arrear - - - - -	7,050	0	0
For the Third Quarterly Poll, granted 98, in Arrear - - - - -	1,800	0	0

Total, by Estimate 37,838 14 2

This Receiver craves Allowances for the Deficiencies of the Coin, [his own\*] and Collectors and Commissioners Clerks Salaries, and for the Arrears of the aforesaid Taxes uncollected, and his Charges for bringing up Money by Guard, for all the Time he was Receiver; amounting, in the Whole, to 21,838*l.* 11*s.* 1½*d.*: Which being deducted from the said estimated Sum of 37,838*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.* there will remain 16,000*l.* 3*s.* 0½*d.* But how much of the said Cravings will be allowed by the Auditors, upon passing his Accounts, is uncertain.

*Memorandum*: The Charge set upon this Receiver is by Estimate, by reason there are very few Duplicates returned; but the Charge will now very speedily be ascertained, there being an Officer sent, on purpose, into *Cheshire*, and *North Wales*, at least Three Months since, in order to bring up the said Duplicates, to make certain the Charge upon the Receiver.

## Stafford.

<i>Thomas Spendlow</i> , Receiver General of the Third Three Shillings Aid, granted 1699, in } Arrear - - - - - }	4,369	0	0
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Process of the Exchequer is issued against him, and his Security, for the said Sum of 4,369*l.*

## York.

<i>Ralph Williamson</i> , late Receiver of the Second Three Shillings Aid, granted 1698, in Arrear - - - - -	5,690	3	0
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## Durham and Northumberland.

<i>Ralph Williamson</i> , late Receiver of the Second Three Shillings Aid, granted 1698, in Arrear - - - - -	3,044	4	11
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The Total 8,734 7 11

*Memorandum*: The said Receiver General hath very near as much Money due for his extraordinary Disbursements, for several Years last past, about his Receipt.

The rest of the Receivers of the Taxes for the several Counties, not herein mentioned, have passed, or are upon, their several Accounts with their respective Auditors.

Supers on the 3*s.* per *Libr. Annis* 9<sup>o</sup> et 10<sup>o</sup> *Regis.*

## Civit' Exon', et Com' Devon'.

<i>Nicolas Etoill</i> and <i>Robert Burridge</i> - - - - -	291	3	7
<i>Paroch. de Stoke Damerill</i> , in <i>Hundredo de Roborough</i> - - - - -	214	10	0
<i>Paroch' de Showbrok</i> , in <i>West-Budley</i> - - - - -	20	5	0
<i>Hatcomb</i> , extra <i>Paroch. in Wongford</i> - - - - -	3	15	0

## Warwick', et Civit. Coventry.

<i>Johannes Andrews</i> , sup' tot' Com' - - - - -	646	0	7½
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## Com' Somerset', et Civit' Bristol.

<i>Carolus Browne</i> - - - - -	200	0	0
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## Com' Surr'.

<i>Leonard Child</i> , et <i>Johannes Nuthall</i> - - - - -	70	16	4
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## Com' Lancast'.

<i>Gulielmus Kent</i> , sup' tot' Vill' <i>Leverpoole</i> - - - - -	109	6	8
Tot' Vill' de <i>Colcheth</i> - - - - -	11	8	11
Tot' Vill' de <i>Wigan</i> - - - - -	95	17	3
Tot' Vill' de <i>Middleton</i> - - - - -	7	13	11½
Tot' Vill' de <i>Burrow</i> , cum <i>Burrow</i> - - - - -	16	0	4½

## Cumberland, et Westmerland.

<i>Thomas Braugham</i> , sup' tot' Com' <i>Cumbriae</i> - - - - -	104	2	0
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## Com' Leicestr'.

<i>Thomas Woolcock</i> , sup' tot' Com' - - - - -	703	10	6
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## Com' Lincoln', et Civit' Lincoln'.

<i>William Cawthorpe</i> and <i>Thomas Kent</i> , sup' separal' et respect' <i>Inhabitan' Com Lincoln'</i> - - - - -	1,310	9	4½
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## Com' Suffol'.

<i>Chaplyn</i> and <i>Pacy</i> , sup' tot' Com' - - - - -	548	5	10
<i>Com' Suffol</i> , <i>Chaplyn</i> et <i>Pacy</i> , sup' Anto' <i>Redhead</i> , Operator' <i>Monetar' apud Norwich</i> - - - - -	729	0	11

## Com' Kanc'.

Sup' tot' Com' - - - - -	364	9	9½
Sup' Vil' <i>Nova Romney</i> - - - - -	6	15	0

5,453 11 1½

Supers, on the Three Shillings Aid, *Annis* 10<sup>o</sup> et 11<sup>o</sup> *Regis.*

<i>Nottingham</i> , super Com' <i>Not'</i> , et <i>Inhabitan' ejusdem deficien'</i> - - - - -	114	12	2
<i>Salop</i> , super Com' <i>Salop</i> - - - - -	101	14	3½
<i>Denbigh</i> , super Com' <i>Denbigh</i> - - - - -	414	13	4
<i>Montgomery</i> , super Com' <i>Montgomery</i> - - - - -	100	5	10½
<i>Merioneth</i> , super Com' - - - - -	5	4	2
<i>Flint</i> , super Com' - - - - -	20	0	0
<i>Civit' et Com' Exon'</i> , sup' Com' et Civit' - - - - -	360	6	9

\* The Words, "his own," are supplied from the original Account.

	£.	s.	d.	Arrears of Taxes.
<i>Decon, super Com</i>	597	4	7	
<i>Chester, super Com</i>	155	18	11½	
<i>Bucks, super Com</i>	718	5	11	
<i>Circit' Canterbury, super Civit'</i>	29	17	4	
<i>Kent, super Com</i>	154	14	11	
<i>Dunelm', super Com</i>	205	6	6½	
<i>Vill' Com' et Vill' Novi Castr' sup' Tinam', sup' Vill'</i>	183	6	4	
<i>Somerset, sup' Com</i>	311	15	3	
	£. 3,629	5	2½	

*Memorandum* : There are many *Super's* upon particular Persons, for Poll-money, for which Process issues every issuable Term.

A CERTIFICATE of Money paid into the Exchequer on the Two Shillings Aid, to the 1st of April 1701, inclusive.

Counties.	Receivers.	Year's Charge.			Payments.			Arrears.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>Bedford</i>	Hen. Whitebread	13,888	0	0	13,080	0	0	808	0	0
<i>Berks</i>	Law Ambrose	19,968	0	0	18,300	0	0	1,668	0	0
<i>Bucks</i>	Hugh Norton	23,184	0	0	15,000	0	0	8,184	0	0
<i>Cambridge</i>	Tho. Seyliard	15,968	0	0	11,000	0	0	4,968	0	0
<i>Chester</i>	Tho. Austen	13,912	0	0	5,668	0	0	8,244	0	0
<i>Cornwall</i>	Rich. Tregear	15,554	0	0	8,200	0	0	7,354	0	0
<i>Cumberland, &amp;c.</i>	Tho. Braugham	3,288	0	0	1,830	0	0	1,458	0	0
<i>Derby</i>	Samuel Bradshaw	11,720	0	0	5,476	19	8	6,244	0	0
<i>Devon, &amp;c.</i>	Ellwill and Burridge	40,172	0	0	22,500	0	0	17,672	0	0
<i>Dorset</i>	John Derby	16,108	0	0	12,000	0	0	4,108	0	0
<i>Durham, &amp;c.</i>	Fran. Wyvill	12,152	0	0	4,000	0	0	8,152	0	0
<i>York</i>	Ditto	44,572	0	0	37,000	0	0	7,572	0	0
<i>Essex</i>	Nath. Rich	44,120	0	0	26,992	15	5½	17,128	0	0
<i>Gloucester</i>	Richard Cocks	22,304	0	0	21,914	0	0	390	0	0
<i>Hereford</i>	Samuel Clerk	9,732	0	0	8,000	0	0	1,732	0	0
<i>Hertford</i>	Robert Peters	20,904	0	0	12,300	0	0	8,604	0	0
<i>Huntington</i>	Jeay and Dowse	7,536	0	0	5,400	0	0	2,136	0	0
<i>Kent</i>	Wm. Fausset	40,588	0	0	34,450	0	0	6,138	0	0
<i>Lancaster</i>	Wm. Kent	10,208	0	0	5,000	0	0	5,208	0	0
<i>Leicester</i>	Jarvis Bradgate	16,960	0	0	12,400	0	0	4,560	0	0
<i>Lincoln</i>	Wm. Cawthorpe	17,564	0	0	12,000	0	0	5,564	0	0
<i>Lincoln</i>	Tho. Kent	17,564	0	0	11,100	0	0	6,464	0	0
<i>London</i>	Sir Tho. Cuddon	60,004	0	0	35,303	6	8	24,701	0	0
<i>Middlesex and Westminster</i>	Ditto	84,512	0	0	53,528	0	0	30,984	0	0
<i>Monmouth</i>	Tho. Doyley	4,732	0	0	1,700	1	11	3,032	0	0
<i>Northampton, &amp;c.</i>	Ben. Mathews	26,002	0	0	19,000	0	0	7,002	0	0
<i>Norfolk</i>	Mosely and Browne	19,724	0	0	15,000	0	0	4,724	0	0
<i>Norfolk</i>	John Ellis	21,456	0	0	21,000	0	0	456	0	0
<i>Nottingham</i>	John Bury	13,268	0	0	9,000	0	0	4,268	0	0
<i>Oxon</i>	Cha. Mason	19,096	0	0	13,700	0	0	5,396	0	0
<i>Salop</i>	Geo. Hoster	14,136	0	0	8,494	3	3	5,642	0	0
<i>Stafford</i>	Wm. Burslem	13,192	0	0	8,000	0	0	5,192	0	0
<i>Somerset</i>	Cha. Brawne	35,376	0	0	23,451	0	0	11,925	0	0
<i>Southampton</i>	Richard Cobb	26,864	0	0	19,000	0	0	7,864	0	0
<i>Suffolk</i>	Sam. Pacey	35,908	0	0	28,700	0	0	7,208	0	0
<i>Surry</i>	Child and Nuthall	32,596	0	0	24,800	0	0	7,796	0	0
<i>Sussex</i>	Fren. Bromfeild	29,588	0	0	14,090	3	7	15,498	0	0
<i>Warwick</i>	John Andrews	19,392	0	0	13,000	0	0	6,392	0	0
<i>Wilts</i>	John Child	25,164	0	0	21,000	0	0	4,164	0	0
<i>Worcester</i>	Tho. Albert	16,392	0	0	9,870	0	0	6,522	0	0
<i>North Wales</i>	Tho. Austen	10,396	0	0	3,000	0	0	7,396	0	0
<i>South Wales</i>	Geo. Howell	10,976	0	0	4,500	0	0	6,476	0	0
<i>King's Household</i>	E. Bradford	5,196	0	0	0	0	0	5,196	0	0
		£. 961,938	0	0	649,748	10	6½	312,191	0	0

*Mem.* Most of the Receivers, mentioned in this Certificate, have returned their Arrears, by Bills, to Town; which would have been paid before this time, had Bills received such early and punctual Payments as formerly: But, in Three Weeks or a Month's time, most of those Bills will be paid.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Petition of *Anne* Duchess of *Bucclugh*, was presented  
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to the House, and read; setting forth, That the late Resumption Duke of *Monmouth* was seised in Fee of *Moore Park*, of Grants. and the Lands in *Com' Hertford*; which, being forfeited to the Crown in King *James's* Reign, was by him granted



granted to the Petitioner : That the Petitioner being possessed of a House, and a Piece of Ground, in *Sohoe Square*, for the Residue of a Term of Years, derived from the Crown, which will expire at *Michaelmas* 1734; the said King, in Consideration that the Petitioner should finish the said House, did grant the same, and Ground, to the Petitioner for 52 Years, to commence from *Michaelmas* 1734 : That the Petitioner hath expended great Sums in building at *Moor Park*; and at *Sohoe* : And praying a Clause may be inserted in the Bill to resume the Grants of all Lands, and other Revenues, since the Sixth Day of *February* 1684 ; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick ; for saving the Petitioner's Right.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Hindon  
Election.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported; from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, touching the Election for the Borough of *Hindon*, in the County of *Wilts*, and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the Petitions of *George Morley* Esquire, and of several Inhabitants of *Hindon*, complaining of an undue Election and Return of *Reynolds Calthrop* Esquire, to serve for the said Borough of *Hindon* :

That the Candidates, at the said Election, were Sir *James Howe*, Mr. *Calthrop*, and the Petitioner : But the Election of Sir *James Howe* was not drawn into Question.

Upon the Poll there was, for

Mr. *Calthrop* - - 70.

Mr. *Morley* - - 62.

That the Petitioner insisted, That the Right of Election was in the Bailiff, Burgesses, and such Inhabitants only, as pay Scot and Lot : The Sitting Member insisted, That the Right of Election was in the Bailiff, Burgesses, and Inhabitants not receiving Alms.

The Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That the Law did exclude such from voting in Elections, who were not contributory to the common Charge of the Borough : And called,

*Edward Lamb* : Who said, That himself, his Father, and Grandfather, were born in *Hindon*; and that he had heard his Father and Grandfather say, That Parliament-men were to be chosen by the Lot and Scot Men; but acknowledged, that, during his time, the Inhabitants at large had voted.

That the Petitioner's Counsel produced Three Indentures of Returns; viz.

2 and 3 *Ph.* and *M.*

1 *Eliz.*

43 *Eliz.*

Which mention, That the Bailiff and Burgesses had elected.

That the Counsel for the Sitting Member insisted, That *Hindon* was a Borough by Prescription; and that Burgesses and Inhabitants are synonymous Terms; and that all the Inhabitants had a natural Right, unless the other Side could shew the Usage to the contrary : And, to prove the Usage to be with the Sitting Member, they called,

*Robert Garrat* : Who said, He had known the Elections of Parliament-men for *Hindon* for more than 40 Years; and that all the Inhabitants who did not receive Alms, have, during his time, voted in such Elections.

That the Committee, having considered the Evidence, and what had been argued by the Counsel of both Sides, came to this Resolution;

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Right of electing Burgesses to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *Hindon* is in the Bailiff, Burgesses, and such Inhabitants only as pay Scot and Lot.

The Poors Rate for the Borough of *Hindon* was produced : And it appeared, that the Petitioner had the Majority of Voters who paid Scot and Lot.

The Sitting Member's Counsel insisted, That several Persons who had voted for the Sitting Member had been formerly in the Poors Rate, and were of Ability, and ought to have been inserted in the Rate; and therefore prayed they might be allowed to them as good Voters; and offered to call Evidence as to Fact :

But that the Committee were of Opinion that they were excluded by the former Vote, and ..... not think fit to hear Evidence touching that Matter.

And, upon the whole Matter, came to these Resolutions;

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Reynolds Calthrop* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Hindon*, in the County of *Wilts*.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *George Morley* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Hindon*.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;

It passed in the Negative.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, That it be re-committed.

Ordered, That the Matter, upon the Re-commitment, be heard before the Committee of Privileges and Elections upon this Day Three Weeks.

Resolved, That the Resolution, Yesterday, of the Advice of this House, given to his Majesty, be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Address to be  
presented by  
Privy  
Council.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, touching the Election for the Borough of *Leominster*, in the County of *Hereford*, and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

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Election.

Upon the Petition of *Edward Harley* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of *John Dutton Colt* Esquire to serve for the Borough of *Leominster* :

That the Right of Election was agreed to be in the Inhabitants paying Scot and Lot, and not receiving Alms.

That, upon the Poll, there was, for the Sitting Member, 145 Votes; for the Petitioner 116.

But the Petitioner's Counsel alleged, That upon the Heads of Persons excused from the Window Tax, receiving Alms, Bribery, and Threats, they should take off so many from the Sitting Member's Poll, as would give the Petitioner a Majority.

As to the Head of Alms; the Petitioner's Counsel called,

Mr. *Jonathan Morgan*, Mr. *Samuel Clark*, and Mr. *Henry Seward* : One or more of whom testified, That *Robert Williams* had received Alms in Bread, in the Year 1697 :

And his Wife, within a Quarter of a Year before and since the last Election :

That *Thomas Spencer*, or his Daughter, received the like in the Year 1697 :

That *James Mitchell*'s Children go constantly a begging :

That *James Badland*'s Children did the like :

That *Miles Gitto*'s Wife has received Alms about Four Months since; and *Gitto* said, He must vote for Mr. *Colt*, because he kept him from starving :

That *Rice Price*'s Children have received Charity at a Funeral since *Christmas* :

That *Thomas Badnege*'s Children are kept by the publick Charity of the Town; and *Badnege* told him, That

*Caswell*

*Caswell* had promised him to be his Friend, as long as he voted for Mr. *Colt*.

That *William Hooper's* Children have received Charity within a Quarter of a Year:

That *John Norman*, and his Wife, have received Charity:

That *Richard Baker's* Wife and Apprentice have received Charity, . . . believes; since the Election:

That *William Phillips' Wife* has received Charity since the Election; and his Children did beg before and since the Election:

That *John Taylor's* Children have received Charity since the Election:

That *William Carteret's* Children have begged Forty times within these Two Months; and that he had not voted for Mr. *Colt*, but for Justice *Bangham*, who drank him hard that Night, and kept him till next Day he came to vote for Mr. *Colt*; and that there were Forty more at the same time:

That *Richard Smith's* Wife has received publick Alms before and since the Election:

That *Richard Caswell's* Wife has received Alms before and since the Election; and said, He must vote for Mr. *Colt*, for he had sent him a Piece of Beef and Six-pence against Christmas:

That *Stephen Tayler's* Wife has received Alms before and since the Election:

That *John Price's* Wife and Daughter have received publick Alms in 1097:

That *John Watchman's* Wife has received Charity both before and since the Election; and said, though he was in the Poors Rate, he was told he should be excused several Taxes, if he would vote for Mr. *Colt*:

That *Samuel Tylor's* Wife has received Charity within Three Months:

That the Witnesses could not deny but the Persons they gave Evidence of, were in the Poors Rate.

But the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That the Assessment was made in favour of the Sitting Member.

And, as to that Matter, it appeared by the Evidence of Mr. *Seward*, Mr. *Caleb Powell*, Mr. *Spencer*, *Richard Vaughan*, and Mr. *Clark*;

That the Lewn, or Poors Rate, is made about Easter: And *Seward* and *Powell* said, Several were left out of the present Lewn, that were in before; and that neither Mr. *Harley* nor Mr. *Colt* was present when it was made; but the Magistrates of the Town appeared to be Friends of Mr. *Colt's*, and the Assessors signed the Lewn between Twelve and One a Clock at Night: And it was likewise testified, That, upon Complaint, some were put in; and afterwards Mr. *Harley* signed the Lewn.

That Mr. *Harley* desired a Copy of the Lewn of *Mun* the Overseer; which he allowed Mr. *Harley's* Man to write; but, before he had finished it, the said *Mun* took the Lewn from him, and refused to let Mr. *Harley* have a Copy, without paying Five Shillings, which, he said, was his Fee for it: That, afterwards, *Caleb Powell* demanded a Copy of the Lewn, producing the Order of the Committee for it; but *Mun* said, He did not value the Order, and he should not have it: Yet afterwards *Mun* came to Mr. *Powell's* House, desiring to speak with him in the Morning; and he, being a-bed, bid his Wife ask the said *Mun* his Business; and, if he had the Lewn, to leave it; but *Mun* went away, and did not leave the Lewn.

That, as to the Matter in relation to the Window Tax, it was insisted, by the Petitioner's Counsel, That, by the Statute for laying a Duty upon Houses, the Dwelling-houses of such Persons, as, by reason of their Poverty, are exempted from paying to Church and Poor, are discharged from the Duties granted by that Act: And that the Magistrates of *Leominster* had, to gain Votes for Mr. *Colt*, excused 52 Persons from paying to the said Tax: And, for that, they called

Mr. *John Burt*: Who said, He was Deputy Surveyor of the Window Tax last Year at *Leominster*; and that, about August was Twelve-months, he had charged 52 Persons

there with that Duty, who were afterwards discharged by the Justices; viz. Mr. *Caswell* senior, Mr. *Edward Bangham*, Mr. *Thompkins*, and Mr. *Thomas Price* the Town Clerk; of which Persons Names he delivered in a List.

And, as to the ill Practice in discharging the aforesaid Persons; they called

*William Henner*: Who said, That Mr. *Colt* had asked him for his Voice, and he had denied him twice; and that, afterwards, Justice *Bangham*, and some others, sent for him by the Serjeant of the Town, and asked for his Vote for Mr. *Colt*; and asked him if he paid to the Light-money; to which he answered, that he did: The said Justice *Bangham* said, He would ease him of it, if he would vote for Mr. *Colt*.

*William Davis* said, That Mr. *Colt* asked him for his Vote; and he told him, He had promised it: Afterwards Mr. *Colt* and Mr. *Bangham*, and he, were together; and Mr. *Bangham* asked him for his Vote; and Mr. *Colt* said, There is Ten Shillings Light-money to pay, and now is the Time to help yourself, and, if you have Occasion, make use of me: However, he acknowledged he had but Five Windows, and was never charged to that Tax.

That, as to Matter of Bribery;

*Somersett Phillips*, who voted for Mr. *Harley*, said, Going along, he met Mr. *Colt*, who asked him how Business went in the Court; who saying, He thought pretty well, Mr. *Colt* turned back, and told him, He would give him Two Guineas, if he would not vote that Day; but he must swear not to divulge it: Yet he acknowledged, he had not spoke with Mr. *Colt* before that Time.

That the Petitioner's Counsel then applied themselves to take off, from the Sitting Member, several bribed: And called

Mr. *Weaver*, Mr. *Seward*: Who said, That *John Howell* had promised Mr. *Harley* his Vote before the Dissolution of the last Parliament; and, Three or Four Days before the last Election, Mr. *Harley* met the said *Howell*, and told him, He hoped he would be as good as his Word; but *Howell* said, He could not be for him, because Mr. *Colt* had paid him a desperate Debt, which had been a long while owing to him by one at *Bristol*; and that *Howell* did not deny, That he had said so at the Election; and Mr. *Colt* then owned, he had put it into an Attorney's Hand to sue for.

Mr. *Clerk* and *John Whittington* said, *Richard Baskerville*, being charged with promising his Vote to Mr. *Harley*, owned it; but said, Mr. *Colt* had bought his Voice: However, when he came to poll, he was taxed with it, and denied it.

Mr. *Seward* said, That, the Friday Night before Christmas, Mr. *Colt*, Mr. *Bangham*, and others, were drinking in *Baskerville's* House; and Mr. *Colt* paid Ten Shillings, and said there was Two Shillings to drink when he was gone; and Mr. *Baskerville* declared, he had got Three Pound, and more, by Mr. *Colt*; and that was as much as his Vote was worth.

That, *John Walton* being told by him, That he hoped the said *Walton* would be for Mr. *Harley*, as he had promised; he excused himself, saying, He owed his Lord 8*l*. who had threatened to sue him; and that Mr. *Bangham* had promised to lay it down, and so he must vote for Mr. *Colt*; and the said *Walton* did not deny it at the Poll.

Mr. *Seward* and *John Powell* said, That *John Vale* told Mr. *Powell*, If he would give him up a Bond of 5*l*. he would vote for Mr. *Harley*, otherwise he could make a better Hand of it; but he did not vote for Mr. *Harley*: And Mr. *Powell* said, That, next Day, the said *Vale* came and paid the whole Debt, for which he would have taken Twenty Shillings.

Mr. *Caleb Powell* said, That, after the Election was over, he met *Edward Deane*; who said, He would have voted for Mr. *Harley*; but, being low, Mr. *Bangham* let him have Forty Shillings of Mr. *Colt's* Money, and lent him Forty Shillings more: The said *Deane* signed the Petition.

Mr. *John Alderne* said, That *Rees Prees* was at his House, and he asked his Vote for Mr. *Harley*, but he said, *Prees* said he spoke too late; for Mr. *Bangham* had obliged

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obliged him to be for the Lord Coningsby and Mr. Colt; and he said, *Prees* told him, Mr. *Harley's* Friends had refused to lend him Money; and Mr. *Bangham* had lent him Thlrty or Forty Shillings.

*Richard Hodges* and Mr. *Caleb Powell* said, That *Thomas Martin* told Mr. *Harley*, That if he would pay Three Pound, which one *David Powell* owed him, he would vote for him; but Mr. *Harley* said, That, if he had a Hundred Votes, he would not give him a Penny.

Mr. *Alderne* said, That, Two or Three Months before the Election, young *Seward* told him, That he was sorry he could not vote for Mr. *Harley*, because he owed Mr. *Bangham* some Money, who had obliged him to vote for Mr. *Colt*, otherwise his Inclinations were for Mr. *Harley*.

And Mr. *Henry Seward* said, That young *Seward* told him he was a *Weobly* Man, and would vote for him that would give him most Money.

Mr. *Caleb Powell* testified, That *Thomas Vale* owned, that he had promised Mr. *Harley* his Vote; but could not be as good as his Word, because Mr. *Bangham*, and the Magistrates, had taken him off from the Window Tax, and several other Taxes.

He gave the like Evidence as to *Jonathan Baker*.

Mr. *Clerk* said, That *Thomas Newton* told him, If he voted for Mr. *Harley*, the Magistrates would put Offices and Taxes upon him; and that *William Bubb* told him, That he did not vote for Mr. *Harley*, because Mr. *Bangham* had given him 18*d.* or 20*d.* and had excused him the Window Tax; and that, if he voted for Mr. *Harley*, he should have Offices put upon him.

Mr. *H. Seward* said, That, about Three Days before the Election, he asked *John Bach* who he was for; and the said *Bach* told him, When Mr. *Colt* was in Town, he was kind to him, and the Magistrates were also for Mr. *Colt*, and he durst not go against the Magistrates.

Mr. *Weaver* said, That *Jonas Child*, sells Ale at *Leominster*; and that he asked the said *Child*, If he had promised his Vote to Mr. *Colt*; and the said *Child* told him, That Mr. *Harley* was an honest Gentleman; but he had promised his Vote to Justice *Bangham*, who had promised to take . . . . off from the Church and Poor, and the Land Tax; and for that Reason he must be for Mr. *Colt*.

That, as to Threats;

Mr. *Seward* said, That *John Banister*, being asked his Vote for Mr. *Harley*, said, He would be for him, but that he was a Servant to the Magistrates, and should be turned out of his Office.

Mr. *Caleb Powell* said, That *John Lloyd* had often declared a Kindness for Mr. *Harley*; but the said *Lloyd* told him, there was an Order of Sessions to take away his Licence, upon Pretence of his being drunk; and he was told, if he would be for Mr. *Colt*, he should have it again:

And a Copy of the Order of Sessions was produced.

Mr. *Seward* said, That *John Morris*, before the Election, had declared, That he would vote for Mr. *Harley*; but afterwards said he durst not; for he had been suppressed Two Years, and the Magistrates would ruin him upon the Statute.

Mr. *Clerk* said, He was at *Thomas Cox's*; who said he must vote for Mr. *Colt*, because he would never vote against the Magistrates; for they would suppress him for the least Fault, and then he was ruined.

Mr. *Caleb Powell* said, He asked *John Greenly* why he would vote against Mr. *Harley*; and the said *Greenly* said, He did not design it, but he was satisfied he should lose his Place of Serjeant, if he did vote for him.

Mr. *Seward* said, One Day since the Election, talking with *John Baisey*, the said *Baisey* said, That he had several Neighbours with him the Night before the Election; and that the Magistrates called them up at Four a Clock in the Morning, and gave them a Pot and Pipe, and then brought them out to vote; and the said *Baisey* said, Mr. *Bangham* and Mr. *Colt* had Money enough, and he had 5*l.* left to go on with the Cause.

That *Francis Enoe* said, He kept a Smith's Shop by Leave of the Magistrates; and, if he did not go with them, he must pull down his Shop.

Mr. *Powell* said, That, some time since the Election, he met *John Vaston*, and asked him why he would be worse than his Word to Mr. *Harley*; and the said *Vaston* answered, He could not help it, because otherwise the Magistrates would pull down his Sign, he selling Ale.

\* *Northgrave* said, That before the last Parliament was dissolved, he was at *Dick's* Coffee-house; and there asking how Mr. *Harley* stood at *Leominster*, the said *Caswell* answered, But indifferently; for Mr. *Colt* was put up by the Magistrates; and he said he would return Mr. *Colt*, and let Mr. *Harley* dispute it in the House.

That the Counsel for the Sitting Member first applied themselves to answer the Exceptions made by the Petitioner; and then pursued the Method taken by the Petitioner; and excepted to the Petitioner's Voters, upon the Four Heads of Almsmen, Window Tax, Bribery, and Threats.

That, as to the Sitting Member's Voters excepted to, on the Account of receiving Alms; they called

*Richard Nicholson*, *Francis Steed*, and *James Mathews*: And it appeared, by one or more of their Evidence, That *Robert Williams* had paid Six-pence a Year to the Poor, for Fifteen or Sixteen Years; and rents Thirty or Forty Shillings a Year:

That *Thomas Spencer* has Three Pound a Year, Freehold; and has voted for Knights of the Shire, for Nine or Ten Years:

That *James Mitchell's* Circumstances were but low, and he had been a Soldier in *Flanders*; but he rented Four Pound a Year, and had an Estate of Seven Pound a Year: It was acknowledged his Children were unruly, and did beg sometimes, though corrected for it; and he was come away for Debt:

That *James Badland* rents Four Pound a Year, and has been Constable, and pays to the Poor:

That *Nicolas Gitto* rents Three Pound a Year, and pays to the Rate:

That *Rees Prees* rents Ten Pound a Year, and has Four or Five Pound a Year of his own:

That *Thomas Badnage* lives in a House worth Seven Pound a Year, and has a Mortgage upon it, of Fourscore Pounds: But it was acknowledged, that *Badnage's* Wife's Children, by a former Husband, did go from him about Half a Year since, and have asked Charity.

*Piliph Mun* said, That he took *William Cooper* to be a substantial Man.

*Jon. Davis* said, That *John Norman* is a Carpenter, and maintains his Family well, and pays Twenty Shillings a Year, Rent.

*Richard Nicholson* said, That *Richard Baker* has a Freehold of Forty Shillings a Year, and rents Six Pound a Year; his Children get their own Living, and he has a Provision of Corn and Hogs.

*Jon. Davis* said, That *William Phillips* has a Freehold of Fifty Shillings a Year:

That *John Taylor* is a Journeyman Glover, and lives in a House of his own, of Thirty Shillings a Year.

*Nicholson*, *Steed*, and *Mathews*, said, *William Carterett* has a Living of Fourteen Pound a Year; and *Steed* believed him to be worth Five hundred Pounds.

*Jon. Davis* said, That *Richard Smith* was a Shoemaker, and has a House of Fifty Shillings a Year, and voted for Knights of the Shire:

That *Richard Caswell* lives in a House of his own, of Twenty-five or Thirty Shillings a Year:

That *Stephen Tyler* rents about Fifty Shillings a Year:

That *John Price* rents about Forty Shillings a Year, and . . . Twenty or Thirty Pound at Use:

That *John Watchman* lives in a House of his own, of Four Pound a Year, and lets another of Fifty Shillings a Year:

That *Samuel Taylor* lives in a House of his own, . . . about Twenty-five Shillings a Year:

That

That, as to the Persons objected to upon the Account of the Window Tax; the Answer that was given to it; was, That it was no Objection, provided they were in the Poors Lewn.

That, as to the Evidence given by the Petitioner, of Bribery; the Sitting Member's Counsel called Witnesses; viz.

*Lancelot Stevens, Richard Nicholson, Geo. Castwell, and Philip Mun*: Who said, That *John Howell*, when he came to poll, was excepted to by *Mr. Weaver*, as having told him, That *Mr. Colt* had paid him a desperate Debt, due from one at *Bristol*, in Consideration of his Vote: And that, at first, he said, *Howell* denied that he had said so; but afterwards owned, that he had said so, and it was to get rid of their Importunity, who would have had him vote for *Mr. Harley*; and that the Fact was not true.

And *George Castwell* testified further, That the said *Howell* said, in Court, *Mr. Weaver* promised him Ten Pounds worth of Work at *Amestry-Bridge*, if he would vote for *Mr. Harley*.

*Richard Baskervill* denied, at the time of the Poll, what was charged upon him by the Clerk.

*Roger Lewis* said, That *Edward Deane*, about a Year and an Half ago, borrowed Forty Shillings of *Mr. Bangham*; and, about Three Months before the Election, came to him, to persuade *Mr. Bangham* to lend him Forty Shillings more; and that *Mr. Bangham* at first scrupled to lend it, because the Forty Shillings was not paid, but at last lent it; and that there was no Discourse about his Vote; and that *Mr. Bangham* had used to lend Money to Tradesmen.

*Mr. Price* said, That *Samuel Seward junior* was bound with his Father, by Bond, dated 6th September 1699, for Payment of Seven Pounds.

That, as to *John Walton, John Vale, Rees Prees, Thomas Martin, Thomas Vale, Jonathan Baker, Thomas Newton, William Bubb, John Bach, and Jonas Child*; there was no Answer to the Evidence against them: Only, as to the Evidence of Persons owning themselves to be influenced upon the Account of Taxes, the Sitting Member's Counsel left it to the Credit of the Petitioner's Witnesses;

And observed, that the Threats, given in Evidence, had not taken off any Voices.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel then proceeded to make out their Exceptions to the Petitioner's Votes:

And called

*John Shooter, Phil. Mun*: One or both of which said, That *William Davis's* Daughter has had Bread several times:

That *Hugh Evans* has received a great many Doles:

That *Thomas Callowhill's* Wife has received:

That *Peter Taylor's* Daughter received at Christmas, ... at Whitsuntide:

That *Richard Baker's* Family received last Year, and this:

That some of *Daniel Powell's* Children have received:

That *Thomas Richards* had, last Year, Bread:

That *Thomas Marstin* has received this Year, Two or Three times:

That *Richard Smith* received last Year, and the present Year; and *Jon. Davis* said, He was a poor Man, and *Mr. Powell's* Servant:

That *John Bishop* has received Bread:

That *Thomas Holgate* has received Bread.

That, as to Persons that polled for the Petitioner, that were excused from the Window Tax;

*Jon. Davis* was called: Who said, he was present when the Justices struck out the Names of several Persons from paying to the Window Tax: But it appeared, that he had taken an Account of that Matter from the Surveyor, and he could not say whether they were ever charged; only he found about 41 Names in *Mr. Harley's* Poll, who did not pay that Tax.

That then the Sitting Member's Counsel proceeded to the Point of Bribery.

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*Thomas Martin* said, That *Richard Crocket* owned he received a Guinea of *Mr. Harris*, by *Mr. Harley's* Order: But it appeared his House was burned; towards which, also, my Lord *Coningsby* gave him Five Pounds.

*William Phillips* said, That he had Forty Shillings of *Mr. Caleb Powell*, who told him it was *Mr. Harley's* Money; and, before the Election, he told him he would give him Forty Shillings, if he would vote for *Mr. Harley*.

*William Phillips, and John Taylor*, said, That *Caleb Powell* sent for them into a Room, where were *Mr. Avenant* and *Samuel Taylor*; and *Mr. Avenant* told them, If they would vote for *Mr. Harley*, they should have 20s. between them, which they received; and he would make good what *Powell* should promise them further: But, at the same time, they acknowledged, they never did see *Mr. Avenant* before that Time, nor did promise their Votes for *Mr. Harley*; and both of them voted for my Lord *Coningsby*, and *Mr. Colt*: They did acknowledge, that there was a Report of Money left by one *Mr. Crowder* to his poor Relations, and they went over to the Widow; but she disowned the Relation: And by the Evidence of

*Jon. Davis*, it appeared, That *Mr. Avenant* was a Gentleman of a good Estate, lived a Dozen Miles off of *Leominster*, and did not make an Interest for *Mr. Harley* at this Election; and that *Taylor* acknowledged, that he has been at *Mr. Avenant's* House, to seek Part of *Mr. Crowther's* Legacy.

*Francis Martin* said, That, at a former Election, *Mr. Powell* made an Interest for *Mr. Harley*; and *Mr. Powell* and *Mr. Bangham* lent him Four Pounds, for which he gave them a Bond; and that he heard nothing of the Bond till this Election, when *Mr. Powell* told him, If he would vote for *Mr. Harley*, he would give up the Bond: But he did actually vote for *Mr. Colt*; and, the Day after the Election, he paid the Money.

*Thomas Evans* said, That *Mr. Samuel Clerk*, who was an Agent of *Mr. Harley*, bid him Ten Pounds for his Vote, and to procure another for *Mr. Harley*; and told him, He would make up the Money the said *Evans* owed him Fifty Pound, and he should have it at Forty Shillings a Year Interest; and told the said *Evans* further, That he was a Commissioner, and he would excuse him from the Window Tax; and *Mr. Powell* also promised a Horse: That the said *Evans* not voting for *Mr. Harley*, the said *Clerk* called upon him the next Day after the Election, and insisted upon having all his Money paid him, which was Thirty-four Pound; whereof Four Pound was only by a Note, and yet he insisted to have Interest for it: And that the said *Mr. Clerk* said, He would ruin him; and when he came to vote for *Mr. ....*, *Clerk* shook his Hand at him.

*John Vaston* said, That, on Friday before Christmas, *Mr. Samuel Clerk* met him in the Market, and desired his Vote for *Mr. Harley*, and gave him Half a Crown to drink *Mr. Harley's* Health; and his Wife said, Now is the Time to pull down the Surplice and Common Prayer: And, upon *St. John's* Day, the said *Vaston* met *Mr. Clerk*, who desired his Vote for *Mr. Harley*; but he answered, He would promise none till he came to the Place: Whereupon the said *Mr. Clerk* told him, If he would come on the Morrow, he would give him a new Suit of Cloaths, if he would be for *Mr. Harley*, and then gave him Five Shillings to drink with his Neighbours.

*Thomas Badnedge* said, *Mr. Powell* the Lawyer asked him to vote for *Mr. Harley*; and if he would not be for *Mr. Harley*, if he would go out of Town, and not give his Vote at all, he should be met with Two Horses at the Town Field, and he would lend him Ten Pound for the Year, without Interest: He acknowledged, that he lay at *Mr. Bangham's* House, and went thence to poll.

That, as to Menaces;

*Richard Nicholson* said, On the Election Eve he met with one *Grub*, who said, he had promised to be for *Mr. Colt*; but he was very uneasy; for, if he voted for *Mr. Colt*, he should be ruined; for he owed *Mr. Weaver* Ten Pound; and, if he voted for *Mr. Colt*, he was threatened to be

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arrested on the Election Day; and that *Browne* voted for Mr. *Colt*, and was arrested.

*Baptist Price* said, That his Landlady deprived him of his Land which he had rented of her, and she had promised to continue to him, because he would not vote for Mr. *Harley*.

*Richard Philpot* said, That he and Mr. *Spencer* discoursed about the Election; and *Spencer* said, If Mr. *Harley* had but Ten Votes, he should carry it in the Parliament House; for he was better beloved than Mr. *Colt*; and that *Somerset Phillips*, said, He might say what he would before the Committee, for there was no Swearing.

*Roger Lewis* said, That, on the Election Day, Mr. *Colt* junior, and he, met *Somerset Phillips*; who said, Will you take Two Guineas? and he, holding out his Hand, said, You will tell nobody: And *Lewis* said, It was spoke aloud.

That, for the Petitioner, to answer the Evidence in relation to Mr. *Avenant*, it was insisted, That *John Crowther* had left Ten or Twenty Pounds to his poor Relations, to be distributed as his Executrix and Overseers should think fit Objects, according to their Necessities; and that Mr. *Avenant* was one of his Overseers.

And they produced an Extract of *John Crowther's* Will, by which it appeared, that there was such Legacy; and that Mr. *Avenant* was one of the Overseers of the said *Crowther's* Will: And

Mr. *Clark* said, That, last August, Mr. *Houghton* of *Ludlow* told him, That he heard his Sister speak of some poor Relations in *Leominster*; and that he was told *Phillips* and *Taylor* were so; and he wrote a Letter to him, to use his Interest with the Lady.

That, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions;

*Resolved*, That is the Opinion of this Committee, that *John Dutton Colt* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Leominster*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, that *Edward Harley* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Leominster*.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *John Dutton Colt* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Leominster*, in the County of *Hereford*.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Edward Harley* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Leominster*.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the Crown do attend, at the next Sitting of the House, to amend the Return for the Borough of *Leominster*, in the County of *Hereford*, by raising out the Name of *John Dutton Colt* Esquire, and inserting the Name of *Edward Harley* instead thereof.

Committees. *Ordered*, That all Committees be revived for this Afternoon.

And then the House adjourned till Monday Morning, Nine a Clock.

Lunæ, 7° die Aprilis;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

Dr. Hooper thanked.

**ORDERED**, That the Thanks of this House be given to Dr. *Hooper*, Dean of *Canterbury*, and Prolocutor of the Lower House of Convocation, for the Sermon by him preached before this House, upon Friday last, at *St. Margaret's Westminster*: And that he be

desired to print the same: And that Sir *Edward Scambur*, and Mr. *Dolben*, do acquaint him therewith.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the vesting and settling several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, belonging to *John Fawcener* Esquire, in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

The Clerk of the Crown attended; and, according to Order, amended the Return for the Borough of *Leominster*, in the County of *Hereford*.

Sir *John Leveson Gower* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for vesting the Estate of Sir *John Bowyer* in Trustees, to make a Settlement, in order to his Marriage, was committed, That they... examined the Allegations contained in the Bill, and taken the Consent of all the Parties concerned, to the Satisfaction of the Committee: And that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Gwyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable the Sale of some Parts of the Estate of *Rawling Mallock* Esquire, deceased, for discharging the Monies, Debts, and Charges, thereupon: And the same was received.

Mr. *Offley*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable the Lord Viscount *Killmorey* of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, being an Infant, to settle divers Manors, Lands, and Hereditaments, in the Kingdom of *England*, upon a Treaty of Marriage:

And the Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That the Hearing of the Merits of the Election for the Borough of *Huntington*, which is appointed to be on Thursday next, be adjourned until that Day Three Weeks.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Petition of *Mary Stout*, presented to the House the 13th of March last, be read upon Thursday Morning next;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be read upon Saturday Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better Preservation of the Protestant Religion; and for preventing the Translation of Bishops from one See to another; be read a Second Time upon Thursday Morning next.

A Petition of *Elizabeth Tillotson*, Widow and Relict of the most Reverend Father in God *John* late Archbishop of *Canterbury*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That his present Majesty was pleased, by Letters Patents, to grant to the Petitioner a Pension of 600*l.* per Annum out of the Duties of 4*l.* 10*s.* per Cent. laid upon all Goods and Merchandizes exported from any of his Majesty's Plantations and Colonies in *America*: And praying a Clause may be inserted in the Bill for resuming the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick; for saving the Petitioner's Right to the said Grant.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition



Resumption  
of Grants.

A Petition of *Frances Yates*, Widow of *Nicolas Yates*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the late King *James*, by Letters Patents, dated 23d July, in the Second Year of his Reign, did, in Consideration that *Francis Yates*, late of *Longle-Lawne*, and *Margaret* his Wife, were particularly instrumental in the Preservation of King *Charles* the Second, after *Worcester* Fight, settle, upon the Petitioner's Husband and Son an Annuity of 100*l.* per Annum, paying out of his Majesty's Exchequer: And praying, a Clause may be inserted in the Bill for resuming the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick; for saving the Petitioner's Right to the said Grant.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Ditto.

Resolved, That this House will, upon To-morrow Sevensight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

Transport  
Debt.

A Petition of *Arthur Shalles*, *George Cole*, *Thomas Addison*, *William Hammond*, *Antony Wilks*, and *John Travers*, on behalf of themselves, and all the Owners and Masters concerned in the Transport Debt for the Reduction of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners Ships were hired for the Reduction of *Ireland*, in the Year 1689, and 1690: And that there is due to them the Sum of 300,000*l.* principal Money, for which Debentures have been made out: That the Petitioners were without Interest for their Money till 1695, when a Duty on Coffee and Tea, &c. was granted them for Payment of Five per Cent. Interest: But that proving deficient, this House was pleased to grant a Duty on Pedlars and Hawkers, for making good the said Deficiency: That the said Duties expire the 2d of May and 24th of June next: And praying, the said Funds may be continued, till their Debentures be satisfied.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Answer to  
Address.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That their Resolution of Advice, of Wednesday last, having been presented to his Majesty; his Majesty had been pleased to give a most gracious Answer, to the Effect following; viz.

That, according to the Advice of the House of Commons, his Majesty has given Order to his Envoy Extraordinary at the *Hague*, to carry on the Negotiations in Concert with the States General; and to take such Measures therein, as may most conduce to their Security.

His Majesty thanks you for the Assurance you have given, that this House will effectually enable him to support the Treaty of One thousand Six hundred Seventy-seven; and will pursue the same, as you advise.

He does not doubt, but the Readiness you have shewn upon this Occasion, will very much contribute to the obtaining such a Security as is desired.

Regulating  
Elections.

Ordered, That the Bill for the better preventing Bribery, and other undue Practices, in Elections; and for preserving the Dignity and Constitution of Parliaments; be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Limitation  
of the  
Crown.

A Bill for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

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Ordered, That the List of the Half-pay Officers, according to the Establishment since the 25th Day of March 1700, be referred to the Consideration of the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

A Petition of the General Society intituled to the Advantages given by an Act of Parliament, for advancing a Sum not exceeding Two Millions, for the Service of the Crown of *England*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That in and by the said Act, it is declared, That in case the Duties, arising or appropriated by the said Act, shall appear to be so deficient in the Produce of the same, as that, within any one Year, the weekly Payments upon the same shall not amount to so much as shall be sufficient to discharge the yearly Payments thereby intended, the same shall be provided for, and answered, out of the next Aids granted by Parliament: That the said Duties, at *Michaelmas* last, were deficient in their Produce, the Sum of 35,590*l.* 4*s.* 7½*d.*; And praying, That the same may be taken into Consideration, and made good, according to the Tenor of the said Act.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Then the House, according to Order, resolved itself into the said Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Martis, 8° die Aprilis;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

*JANE* *Barkstead* took the Oaths appointed, in order to her Naturalization.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for transferring a Trust in Lands belonging to the City of London, unto new Trustees, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill to enable the Sale of some Parts of the Estate of *Rawlin Mallock* Esquire, deceased, for discharging the Monies, Debts, and Charges, thereupon, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford*, and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of *Thomas Bennet*, late of *Newton cum Larton*, in the County of *Chester*, in Trustees, for the Use of the Poor of *West Kirby*, pursuant to the Will of the said *Thomas Bennet*: And also,

A Bill,

Loffand's,  
&c. Nat.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Adrian Loffand*, and others: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Royal  
Fishery.

A Petition of the Company of the Royal Fishery of *England* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That King *Charles* the Second, by his Letters Patents, dated in the 29th Year of his Reign, did grant unto the Petitioners, and their Successors, divers Privileges and Immunities, for Encouragement of their Undertakings: That the said Company have, ever since, been at great Expence, and Loss of Time, in building and fitting out of Ships to Sea, and in employing and breeding up of several able Seamen: But, forasmuch as the said Company are convinced, as well by their own Experience and Losses, as from the Success others have heretofore had in pursuing the said Trade of Fishing, that the same cannot be carried on, and made considerable, in *England*, without further Privileges and Immunities, and an Exemption of the Duty of Salt spent upon Fish, as in Times past: And praying a speedy Consideration of the Premises, and an Encouragement of the said Trade.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do consider of the most effectual Means to promote the Fishery Trade of *England*; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Roland Gwynne*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Taylor*, Mr. *Verney*, Sir *Samuel Bernardiston*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *Prideaux*, Sir *Fr. Marsham*, Mr. *Proby*, Sir *Humph. Mackworth*, Sir *Charles Hedges*, Dr. *Davenant*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Dolben*, Sir *Jeffry Jeffrys*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Colonel *Byerly*, Sir *Charles Turner*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Devon* and *Cornwall*, and for Maritime Counties, and Sea-port Towns: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And they are to have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

St. Alban's  
Election.

A Petition of *Joshua Lomax* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of the Borough of *St. Albans*, the Petitioner, and *John Gape* Esquire, stood Candidates: That the said Mr. *Gape*, before and at the Election, did, by illegal Practices, procure a great Number of Voices of such who had, and of such who had no Right to vote; and though the Petitioner had a Majority of Persons who were legally qualified to vote; yet the Mayor returned the said Mr. *Gape*, in Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Ditto.

A Petition of several Freemen, and Householders, of and within the Borough of *St. Albans*, in the County of *Hertford*, in behalf of themselves, and the major Part of the Freemen and Inhabitants paying Scot and Lot, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the last Election of a Member for the said Borough, *Joshua Lomax* Esquire was duly elected; notwithstanding the Mayor, Recorder, and Town Clerk, by illegal Practices, procured *John Gape* Esquire to be returned, in Wrong to the Petitioners: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Sick and  
Wounded  
Seamen.

A Petition of the Mayor and Jurats of the Town and Port of *Dover* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, during the late War with *France*, there were a great many sick and wounded Seamen and Soldiers sent by Order of his Majesty's Navy, and were quartered upon the Inhabitants, and cured; which hath

contracted great Debts upon the poor People, and rendered them incapable of the like Service: And praying, a Sum may be appropriated to discharge the said Debt.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

A Petition of the Persons concerned in the Debt due Transport for Transport Service in the Year 1693, on behalf of themselves and others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is due to the Petitioners, for Hire and Freight of their Ships, about 90,000*l.*; for Payment whereof Provision was made, the last Parliament, out of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; and the Commissioners for stating the said Accounts have issued out Debentures for the principal Money, with a Memorandum respecting the Interest; but have not included the same; although, by Contracts made with the Commissioners, it is expressly agreed, that, if the whole Freight should not be paid in a Month after the Ship's Discharge, Interest should be allowed till the same should be paid; which was assented to by the Lords of the Treasury, and confirmed by this House: And praying, That the Interest due for their Debts, according to Contract, may be secured, and allowed, by and out of the Provision made for their principal Money; or by such other Ways as shall be thought fit.

Ordered, That it be referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, to examine the Matters of the said Petition; and report the Fact to the House, and the Reasons why they stated the said Debt without the Interest.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That Sir *Robert Cotton* desired, That his House and Library might be settled unalienable, that this Kingdom may have the Benefit thereof. Cottonian Library.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to settle the *Cotton* House and Library, and to make them unalienable.

A Bill for regulating, and making more useful, the Militia of this Kingdom, was read the First time. Regulating Militia.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Saturday Morning next.

Mr. *Bertie*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Sale of the Estate of *James Deane*; and for securing the Monies, raised thereby, for the Benefit of himself and Family, according to the Settlement thereof: and the same was received. Deane's Estate.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Abstract of the Accounts of the Revenues, Taxes, and Monies borrowed, from *Michaelmas* 1699, to *Michaelmas* 1700. Revenues and Taxes.

And the Title thereof was read.

And the Account is in a Book bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

Ordered, That the said Abstract be referred to the Consideration of a Committee: And that they do report what they conceive necessary therein:

And it is referred to Sir *Christopher Musgrave*, Mr. *Clarke*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Mr. *Monckton*, Mr. *Bucknall*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Markes*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Sir *Fran. Child*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Mordant*, Mr. *Taylor*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *John Bolls*, Sir *Richard Cox*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Heysham*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Edw. Harley*, Mr. *Yates*, Sir *Samuel Bernardiston*, Mr. *Palmes*, Mr. *Tho. Harley*, Mr. *Topham*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Sir *Tho. Davall*, Mr. *Paget*, Mr. *Shackerley*, Colonel *Byerly*, Mr. *Herne*, Mr. *Dymoché*, Sir *Humphry Mackworth*, Mr. *Foley*, Sir *Jeffry Jeffrys*, Mr. *Godolphin*, Mr. *Mounsteven*, Sir *Wm. Scawen*, Mr. *Pendarvis*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Prideaux*, Sir *Cha. Barrington*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Sir *Wm. Phippard*,

*Phippard, Mr. Bridges, Sir. Robert Cotton:* And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Mercurii, 9° die Aprilis;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

**A**N ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act West Kirby for vesting the Estate of *Thomas Bennet*, late of Poor Estate. *Newton cum Larton*, in the County of *Chester*, in Trustees, for the Use of the Poor of *West Kirby*, pursuant to the Will of the said *Thomas Bennet*, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Mr. Brewer* reported from the Committee, to whom Marshall's the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to Estate. enable *Sir Robert Marshall*, Knight and Baronet, to dispose of Lands in *Hertfordshire*; and settle other Lands, of better Value, in *Kent*, to the same Uses as the Lands in *Hertfordshire* are settled; was committed; That they had examined the same, and found the Allegations therein to be true: And that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee: And that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Questions severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Mr. Scobell* reported from the Committee, to whom Killiw's the Bill for the more speedy Payment of the Debts of Estate. *Christopher Killiw* Esquire; and for the raising Portions, and Maintenance of his Brothers and Sisters, in pursuance of his Father's Will; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true: And that the Parties therein concerned had given their Consents thereunto, to the Satisfaction of the Committee: And that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Questions severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Kemp* have Leave to go into the Leave of Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions. Absence.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Gervas Pierpoint* have Leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, for Recovery of his Health.

*Colonel Byerly* reported from the Committee appointed Hospitals, to inquire into the Abuses committed in the Revenues of &c. Hospitals; and report their Opinion, how the same may be remedied for the future; That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Abuses committed in the Management of all Grants, Gifts of Tenements and Hereditaments, and other Augmentations, limited or appointed for charitable Uses, proceeds from the undue and irregular Management of the same, by the Neglect of taking due Surveys of all Hereditaments or Augmentations given for such Uses; which may be redressed by appointing a better and more proper Method of Visitation, or inspecting the Revenues and Management of Hospitals or Charities.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Lord Chancellor, or Lord Keeper of the Great Seal, for the Time being, upon Application from the Justices of the Peace, at their General Quarter Sessions, shall

Civil List Funds.

*Ordered*, That the gross and net Receipts of the Civil List Funds, for one entire Year, from the 25th of December 1699, exclusive, to the 25th Day of December 1700, inclusive, be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee.

Trade, &c. and publick Debts.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Trade of the Nation, and of the publick Debts.

Supply.

*Mr. Conyers* reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow: *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That whosoever shall advance, or lend to his Majesty, a Sum not exceeding 100,000*l.* for the Service of the victualing the Fleet for the Year 1701, shall be secured to be repaid the same, with Interest at Six Pound per Centum, out of the First Aids to be granted this Session of Parliament.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That whosoever shall advance, or lend to his Majesty, the further Sum of 50,000*l.* for the Subsistence of Guards and Garisons, for the Year 1701, shall be secured to be repaid the same, with Interest at Six Pound per Cent. out of the First Aids to be granted this Session of Parliament.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Regulating Elections.

A Bill for the better preventing Bribery, and other undue Practices, in Elections; and for preserving the Dignity and Constitution of Parliaments; was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the said Bill.

Treaties, &c.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will please to give Order, That the Grand Alliance of 1689, with the Two secret Articles, may be laid before this House.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will please to give Order, That the Treaty made in the Year 1698, with relation to the Electoral Prince of *Bavaria's* having Part of the Territories of the Crown of *Spain*, may be laid before this House.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will please to give Order, That the Powers and Instructions for making the late Treaties may be laid before this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Addresses be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Charges of Bribery against Mr. Shepherd, a Member.

*Resolved*, That the Consideration how this House will further proceed, with relation to the Crimes whereof *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, stands convicted before this House, be adjourned until this Day Sevensnight.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

shall issue or grant a Commission to empower

Number of the Justices of the Peace belonging to the said County, jointly with to inquire into all Abuses and Mismanagements of Hospitals, or all other Charities, belonging to the said County; the Fee of which Commission to be

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Method for letting to Farm or Lease, of Lands or other Appointments, belonging to Hospitals, or other Charities, be prescribed, thereby to prevent all clandestine and private Contracts: And that the Persons intrusted for the letting or setting out to Farm such Lands, be empowered to fine off One Third-part only; and the rest to be set or lett according to the Value of such Lands.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That if One Moiety of all Improvements be applied to enlarge the Intention of the Founder, by increasing the Number of the Poor, that are to be provided for in the Place where such Hospital is founded or erected; and the other Moiety to be applied for the Maintenance and Relief of maimed Seamen, and their Widows; there might be a considerable Provision made for their Maintenance and Encouragement, for the Service of his Majesty's Fleet.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

The same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the same, and the rest of the Report, be re-committed to the same Committee: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe are to be added to the said Committee.

Resumption  
of Grants.

A Petition of *John Lord Viscount Fitzharding* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That King *Charles the Second*, by Letters Patents, dated 4th of May, in the 28th Year of his Reign, did grant unto *Wentworth Earl of Roscomon*, and his Countess, the Buildings and Lodgings situate in *St. James's Park*, adjoining to the West Side of the *Privy Garden* there, for their Lives, under a yearly Rent of 13 s. 4 d.; and under a Proviso, to be void, in case his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, should revoke the said Grant, on Payment of all Monies expended in Building and Repairing of the said Lodgings: That the said Countess, after the Death of her said Husband, in Consideration of 1,075 l. did grant to the Petitioner the said Premises, during her Life: That his present Majesty, by Letters Patents, dated 20th July, in the 12th Year of his Reign, did grant the said Premises, for 50 Years, concurrent together with the aforesaid Term granted unto the said Earl, unto your Petitioner, at the like annual Rent, and with the like Proviso therein also contained: That the said late Earl, and the Petitioner, have laid out great Sums of Money in the purchasing, building, and enlarging, the said Premises, even to almost the Value of the Lease: And praying, That there may be a Clause inserted, in the Bill for the resuming all Grants of Lands, and other Revenues since the 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick; for saving the Petitioner's Right in the said Grant.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Lessening  
the Number  
of Attornies.

A Bill for lessening the Number of Attornies and Solicitors; and for regulating their Practice; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Army  
Arrears.

Major General *Erle* being come to the House; The Petition of Major *Edmund Bowyer*, and other Officers that served in the Battalion commanded by the said Major General *Erle*, and disbanded at *Exon*, was read; setting forth, That there are considerable Sums of Money due and in Arrears, to the Petitioners, for their

said Service; and, though they have often applied themselves to the said Major General, to have their Accounts stated, yet could obtain no Redress: And praying Relief in the Premises.

And Major General *Erle* was heard thereupon.

*Resolved*, That the said Petition be rejected.

A Petition of several of the Inhabitants of the City of *Rochester*, in the County of *Kent*, on behalf of themselves, and many others, Inhabitants of the said City, and Places adjacent, who have quartered and entertained sick and wounded Seamen, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in October 1697, there was due to the Petitioners, on that Service, upwards of 13,000 l.; which, by Two several Payments since, is reduced to near 7,000 l.; the Want whereof hath rendered the Petitioners incapable of providing Quarters, or other Entertainment, for the sick and wounded Seamen for the future: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Sick and  
Wounded  
Seamen.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

A Petition of the Merchants trading to the *English Plantations in America*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That great Abuses are practised on his Majesty's Subjects, by Societies of ill Men, who, by Insinuations and Promises, betray them to go as Servants to the Plantations; and also others, that offer themselves to go as Servants, with Design to embroil the Persons concerned, and get Money of them; whereby great Trouble often happens to Merchants, and Owners of Ships: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for Prevention of all evil Practices; and for the better Security of Merchants, Owners and Commanders of Ships, in the Transportation of Servants to the *English Plantations in America*.

Sending  
Servants to  
Plantations.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee; and that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Sir *Jeff. Jeffrys*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Mr. *Clerke*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Champneys*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Cholmly*, Mr. *Phipps*, Mr. *Wentworth*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Heysham*, Mr. *Rudge*, Mr. *Topham*, Sir *Jacob Banks*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *Taylor*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Walpole*; and all the Merchants of the House; and all that serve for the Sea Ports: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of *Steyning Privileges and Elections*, touching the Election for the Borough of *Steyning*, in the County of *Sussex*, be made To-morrow Morning.

Steyning  
Election.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Gregory* have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Leave of  
Absence.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That his Majesty would be pleased to give Order, That the grand Alliance of 1689, and the Treaty of 1698, and also the Powers and Instructions for making the late Treaties, might be laid before this House; his Majesty had been pleased to give Order for the Treaties and Powers to be laid before this House; but that there were no Instructions for either of those Treaties, in Writing.

Answer to  
Address.

*Ordered*, That the Surveyor General do lay before this House an Account of all Lands, Rents, and Estates, belonging to the Crown, undisposed of; together with the present Value, and Value of the Reversions, and improved Rents.

Land  
Revenue.

*Ordered*,



Fee Farm  
Rents, &c.

*Ordered*, That the Trustees for Sale of the Fee-farm Rents, and the Queen Dowager's Auditor, to lay before this House an Account of all the Lands, Rents, and Estates, undisposed of; and of the Reversions and Values thereof.

Colony of  
Surinam.

A Petition of *Andrew Clifford* and *Jeronomy Clifford*, late Inhabitants of *Surinam* in *America*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in the War betwixt *England* and *Holland* in the Year 1667, the Colony of *Surinam* was surrendered by the *English* to the *Dutch*; but the *English* then remaining there, of which Number the Petitioners are, were to enjoy all Privileges equal with them, and have Liberty to transport themselves and Estates when and where they pleased: That the Petitioners, in the Year 1687, intending to transport their Estates to *Jamaica*, the Governor prohibited their Transportation, and caused several unjust Prosecutions against the Petitioners; particularly one, about the Sale of a Negro; and imposed a Fine on them of 4,000*l.* which they levied on the Petitioners Estates; and sentenced the Petitioner *Jeronomy* to remain in Prison for Seven Years, without Bail; where he continued Four Years, till he was discharged by his Majesty's Intercession with the States General: That, after several other unjust Prosecutions, which cost 30,000*l.* the Petitioner *Jeronomy* applied himself to the States General; and delivered them a Memorial of his Sufferings; but could obtain no Relief: And praying, That this House will take their Case into Consideration, and afford them Relief.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to *Mr. Moncton*, *Sir Sam. Bernardston*, *Mr. Hammond*, *Mr. Eyre*, *Sir Godfrey Copley*, *Sir Owen Buckingham*, *Sir Francis Child*, *Sir Edward Ernyly*, *Sir John Leveson Gower*, *Sir John Bolls*, *Mr. Champneys*, *Mr. Pais*, *Mr. Vaughan*, *Sir Henry Goff*, *Sir Richard Cox*, *Sir Wm. Ashurst*, *Mr. Thompson*, *Sir Sam. Gerrard*; and all the Merchants of the House: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Conference  
desired by  
Lords.

A Message from the Lords, by *Sir Richard Holford* and *Mr. Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords do desire a Conference with this House To-morrow at One a Clock, in the Painted Chamber, upon the Subject-matter of the last Conference.

And the Messengers withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree to a Conference with the Lords, as their Lordships do desire.

And the Messengers were called in again; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

Trade and  
Publick  
Debts.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Trade of the Nation, and of the publick Debts.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis*, 10° die Aprilis;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

A BILL for erecting a Court of Request, or Conscience, in the City, and County of the City of *Norwich*, for Recovery of small Debts under Forty Shillings, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Sir Robert Davers*, *Mr. Brereton*, *Mr. Blofield*, *Sir Sam. Bernardston*, *Sir Edward Turner*, *Lord Dysert*, *Mr. Pitfeild*, *Mr. Gape*, *Sir Thomas May*, *Sir Wm. St. Quintin*, *Sir Robert Cotton*, *Sir Barth. Shower*, *Mr. Mounstevens*, *Sir Edmund Bacon*, *Sir Tho. Wagstaffe*, *Mr. Wilde*, *Sir John Packington*, *Mr. Jolly*, *Lord Fairfax*, *Sir Jos. Tredenham*, *Mr. Stonehouse*, *Mr. Yates*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Norfolke* and *Suffolke*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Stephen Jermyn* to make Provision for his younger Children, and for the Advancement of his eldest Son, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Mr. England*, *Mr. Stringer*, *Sir Richard Cox*, *Mr. Blofield*, *Sir Wm. Coriton*, *Sir Robert Davers*, *Mr. Freeke*, *Mr. Rudge*, *Mr. Ward*, *Mr. Heysham*, *Mr. Wilde*, *Mr. Vaughan*, *Mr. Reyner*, *Mr. Renda*, *Sir Jos. Tredenham*, *Sir Rob. Cotton*, *Mr. Yates*, *Mr. Pitfeild*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Sussex* and *Kent*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Sir John Packington*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to naturalize *Archibald Arthur*, and enable him to settle and dispose of his Estate: And the same was received.

A Bill for the Sale of the Estate of *James Deane*; and for securing the Monies raised thereby, for the Benefit of himself and Family, according to the Settlement thereof; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

The Lord *Fairfax*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt: And the same was received.

*Sir Joseph Tredenham* reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Sir Walter Clarges* Baronet, was referred, That they had examined the Matter of the said Petition, and that the Petitioner had fully proved the Allegations of it: And that they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read, and is as followeth; viz.

That the Committee gave a Week's publick Notice, by fixing the same up in the Lobby of this House, of their Intentions to proceed to examine the Allegations of the said Petition; but nobody has appeared in behalf of *Mr. Neale* therein mentioned, or any claiming under him:

That *Bevis Goff* went, by Order of the Petitioner, before the Petition was presented to the House, to *Mrs. How*, the supposed next of Kin to the said *Mr. Neale*, to know what she intended to do in the Premises: And she said, That she had not the Conveyance mentioned in the Petition, nor any Counterpart thereof; and that, if she had, she would deliver up the same to *Sir Walter Clarges*, to do what he pleased therein:

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to the Resolution following; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the House be moved for Leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Petitioner to dispose of a Piece of Ground near



near *Piccadilly*, conveyed by Sir *Thomas Clarges* to *Thomas Neale* Esquire, deceased, discharged of the said Mr. *Neale's* Interest.

The said Resolution being read a Second time ;

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Sir *Walter Clarges* Baronet to dispose of a Piece of Ground near *Piccadilly*, conveyed by Sir *Thomas Clarges* to *Thomas Neale* Esquire, deceased, discharged of the said Mr. *Neale's* Interest : And that Sir *Joseph Tredenhall*, Mr. *Hammond*, and Mr. *Randyll*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Sending  
Servants to  
Plantations.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmes*, Sir *Wm. Strickland*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Mr. *Moncton*, be added to the Committee to whom the Consideration of the Petition of the Merchants trading to the *English Plantations* in *America* is referred.

Privilege.

A Complaint being made to the House, That *John Carter*, Servant to Sir *Edward Seymour* Baronet, a Member of this House, hath been lately arrested by *John Whitborow*, of *Exon*, Bailiff, upon an Action of *Scandalum Magnatum*, wherein *James Buckley* was an Attorney ; in Breach of the Privilege of this House ;

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections : And that they do examine the Matter of the said Complaint ; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Totness  
Election.

A Complaint being made to the House, That there were several Threats and other indirect Practices, used before, and at the time of Election of Burgesses to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *Totness*, in the County of *Devon*, in order to obtain such Election ; and also afterwards ;

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections, to examine the Matter of the said Complaint : And that they do report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

The House  
informed of  
Kidd's being  
at large.

The House being informed, That Captain *Kidd* had been at some other Place, besides the House of Commons, since he was in *Newgate* ;

*Ordered*, That the Keeper of *Newgate*, and such Officers of his, as at any time attended Captain *Kidd* when he was brought to this House, do immediately attend this House.

Trade, and  
Publick  
Debts.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of the Trade of the Nation, and of the publick Debts, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were read ; and are as follow ; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Sinking and Paying off of Exchequer Bills, and Malt Tickets, will be a great Encouragement to Trade, and a Support of the publick Credit.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the restraining the Bank of *England* from borrowing Money at Interest, upon any Security that is not under their Corporation Seal, will be a great Encouragement to Trade, and a Support of the publick Credit.

The First Resolution being read a Second time ;

An Amendment was proposed to be made, by leaving out " Sinking and ;" and to insert, after " Paying off," " and Cancelling ;"

And the same was, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That the Paying off and Cancelling of Exchequer Bills, and Malt Tickets, will be a great Encouragement to Trade, and a Support of the publick Credit.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time ;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the restraining the

Bank of *England* from borrowing Money at Interest, upon any Security that is not under their Corporation Seal, will be a great Encouragement to Trade, and a Support of the publick Credit.

*Ordered*, That the Members who managed the last Conference with the Lords, do manage the Conference with Lords, this Day.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned ;

Colonel *Granville* reported the Conference : That it was managed by the Lord Marquis of *Normanby* ; who acquainted them that the Lords had ordered to be laid before this House Two Powers ; *viz.*

#### GULIELMUS R.

GULIELMUS Tertius, Dei gratia, Magnæ Britanniæ, Franciæ, et Hiberniæ, Rex, Fidei Defensor, &c. omnibus et singulis ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint, salutem. Quum ad conservandam quietem publicam plurimum conducere arbitramur, ut de efficacis imis mendiis quibus redintegratæ pacis beneficia confirmari et augeri possint, sedulo et opportune provideatur ; quumque nobis innotescat ; serenissimum principem et dominum dominum Leopoldum Romanorum Imperatorem, tum serenissimum principem et dominum dominum Ludovicum decimum quartum, Regem Christianissimum, ac præpotentes dominos dominos Ordines Generales Fœderatarum Belgii Provinciarum, in eo animo esse, ut concilia sua nobiscum invicem communicare, et de iis, quæ ad mutuam amicitiam, firmiter astringendam, quæque præsentis temporis rationibus maxime accomodata sint, in commune consulere velint : Scitis igitur, Quod nos, fide, prudentia, et in rebus gerendis usu, per dilecti, et perquam fidelis consanguinei & consilarii nostri Gulielmi comitis de Portland, ordinis nostri periscelidis equitis ; ac præfidelis et perquam dilecti consanguinei & consilarii nostri Edwardi comitis de Jersey, unius primariorum secretariorum nostrorum status, plurimum confisi ; eosdem fecimus, ordinavimus, ac deputavimus, sicut per præsentis facimus, ordinamus, & deputamus, veros et indubitatos commissarios et deputatos nostros ; dantes et concedentes iisdem commissariis et deputatis nostris, aut eorum alteri, plenam & omnimodam potestatem atque auctoritatem, pariter et mandatum generale ac speciale, ut pro nobis, et nostro nomine, cum præfatorum serenissimi Romanorum Imperatoris, serenissimi Regis Christianissimi, ac dominorum Ordinum Generalium Fœderatarum Belgii Provinciarum, commissariis ac deputatis, plena etiam potestate munitis, de et super præmissis conveniant, colloquantur, et tractent, eaque omnia perficiant et concludant, quæ ad prædictam finem omni meliore modo faciant & conducant ; promittentes bona fide, et in verbo regio, nos omnia et singula, quæ a dictis commissariis nostris, aut ab eorum altero, vi præsentium, conclusa fuerint, grata, rata, et firma habituros, nec contra eorum aliquid contraventuros aut contraveniri passuros. In quorum omnium majorem fidem ac robur, hasce literas, manu nostra regia signatas, magno nostro Angliæ sigillo muniri fecimus. Quæ dabantur in palatio nostro apud Loo, primo die mensis Julii, anno Domini millesimo sexcentesimo nonagesimo nono, regni que nostri undecimo.

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amica

amice et feliciter componi, si de cujusque rationibus et commodis in medium provide consuleretur; quum nobis denique innotescat, serenissimum principem et dominum dominum Ludovicum decimum quartum Regem Christianissimum, ac præpotentes dominos dominos Ordines Generales Fœderatarum Belgii Provinciarum, in eodem prorsus animo esse: Sciatis igitur, Quod nos, fide, prudentia, ac in rebus gerendis usu, perfidelis et perquam dilecti consanguinei et consilarii nostri Gulielmi comitis Portlandiæ, vicecomitis de Cirencester, baronis de Woodstock, ordinis nostri periscelidis equitis, necnon perfidelis et perquam dilecti consanguinei et consilarii nostri Edvardi comitis Jersey, unius primariorum secretariorum nostrorum status, plurimum confisi, eosdem fecimus, ordinavimus, et deputavimus, ac per præsentem facimus, ordinamus, & deputamus, veros et indubitatos commissarios, & plenipotentarios nostros; dantes et concedentes eisdem, aut eorum alteri, plenam & omnimodam potestatem atque auctoritatem, pariter et mandatum generale ac speciale, ut pro nobis, et nostro nomine, cum præfatorum serenissimi Regis Christianissimi, ac dominorum Ordinum Generalium Fœderatarum Belgii Provinciarum, commissario, ac plenipotentario, sive commissariis ac plenipotentariis, de et super præmissis convenient, colloquantur, ac tractent, eaque omnia perficiant et concludant, quæ ad bella de successione Hispanica avertenda, stabiliendamque Europæ pacem, omnia meliori modo faciant et conducant; promittentes, bona fide, et in verbo regio, nos omnia et singula, quæ a dictis commissariis ac plenipotentariis nostris, vel eorum altero, vi præsentium, conclusa fuerint, grata, rata, et firma habituros, nec contra eorum aliquid contraveniuros, sed eadem sancte et inviolabiliter observaturos. In quorum omnium majorem fidem ac robur, hasce literas, manu nostra regia signatus, magno nostro Angliæ sigillo muniri fecimus; quæ dabantur in palatio nostro apud Kensington, die secundo mensis Januarii, anno Domini 1702, regniq[ue] nostri undecimo.

GULIELMUS R.

And also a Paper, although not signed by the Earl of *Portland*, yet was laid before their Lordships by him.

And that there were some Questions asked by the Lords: To which there was this Answer:

At the Beginning of the Summer of the Year 1699, when I was in *Holland*, at my Country House; and when the King would have me concerned in the Negotiating of this Treaty with the Emperor, the *French King*, and the States; being very unwilling to meddle with Business again, from which I was retired; before I would engage myself, I advised with my Friends in *Holland*, and writ into *England* to Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, as my particular Friend, Whether it was advisable for me to engage in Business again? To which Mr. *Vernon* answered, in Substance, That this would not engage me but for a little while: That I being upon the Place, and generally acquainted with the foreign Ministers, it would be easier for the King, and properer for me to be employed in it, than any body else, that must be otherwise sent for on purpose.

The Earl of *Portland* being desired by the Lord *Somers*, with the Leave of the House, to declare, if he pleased, Whether the Lord *Somers's* Name was mentioned in the Letter he received from Mr. Secretary *Vernon*;

The Earl of *Portland* declared, That if he had remembered any such Thing in the Letter, and not inserted it in the Paper which he had delivered to the House, he should have thought he had deceived the House.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Report be adjourned until To-morrow Morning.

Public Debt. Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to receive Proposals for Payment of the publick Debts, and advancing the Credit of the Nation; and to report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Loundes*, Sir *Tho. Littleton*, Sir *Richard Cox*, Mr. *Walmsly*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Smith*, Sir *Samuel Bernardston*, Sir *Hum. Mackworth*, Mr. *Foley*, Colonel *Byerly*,

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Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Moncton*, Mr. *Scobell*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Mr. *Boyle*, Mr. *Pagit*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Chetwyn*, Sir *Theo. Oglethorp*, Mr. *Dolben*, Sir *Roxel. Gwynne*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Walpoole*, Sir *Wm. Scawen*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Sir *Thomas Meers*, Mr. *Taylor*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Clerk*, Sir *Charles Turner*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Lord *William Pawlett*, Mr. *Gulston*, Sir *Wm. Strickland*, Sir *Wm. St. Quintin*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Godolphin*, Lord *Marquis of Hartington*, Mr. *Palmes*, Sir *Fran. Child*, Mr. *Ward*, Sir *Thomas Cook*, Sir *John Mordant*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Dr. *Davenant*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Freeman*, Sir *Samuel Garret*, Mr. *Topham*, Sir *Stephen Fox*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Cha. Bloys*, \* \* \* \* \*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And are to sit *de die in diem*.

Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, according to Order, reported, Steyning Election. from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter touching the Election for the Borough of *Steyning*, in the County of *Sussex*, and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the Petition of *Charles Goreing* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of Sir *Robert Fagg* to serve for the Borough of *Steyning*:

That the Right of Election was agreed to be in the Inhabitants paying Scot and Lot, and not receiving Alms: That upon the Whole, there was,

For Sir *Robert Fagg*, 33.

For the Petitioner, 30.

But that the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That they should take off so many from Sir *Robert Fagg's* Poll, as would make the Petitioner a Majority:

And that they also insisted, That there was Treating and Bribery on behalf of Sir *Robert Fagg*:

That there was at the time of the Poll, excepted to, of those that voted for Sir *Robert Fagg*, 8; viz. *Nicolas Wolgar*, *Mich. Langmore*, *John Finch*, *Samuel Cox*, *John Balcombe senior*, *John Read*, *George Goddard*, and *John Milles*:

And that there was, at the time of the Poll, excepted to, of those that voted for the Petitioner, 4; viz. *Walter Parson*, *Nicholas Killick*, *Richard Hedger*, and *Walter Hilman*:

That there is at *Steyning* a Charity called the *White Horse Charity*, which is 5*l.* a Year, received by certain Trustees, and left to the Distribution of the Churchwardens: And a Certificate was produced, under the Hand of *James Chatten*, Churchwarden, dated the 27th of March last; by which it appeared. That at *Easter* last, *John Groves*, *John Bancombe senior*, *John Read*, *John Heasman*, *John Finch*, *John Mills*, *Thomas Glover*, *Geo. Goddard*, had received of that Charity.

*John Grome* said, He was Overseer of the Poor, and had delivered to *John Mills* Three Bushels of Peas, a Bushel of Wheat, a Bushel of Barley, and 8*s.* in Money: But it was acknowledged, That he had, before the Election, paid the Overseers the Value of the same.

*Jos. Marner* said, That *Nicholas Wolgar* lives in Part of a House divided about Six or Seven Years ago: That *Willet* had the other Part: But it was acknowledged, That *Wolgar* is Headborough, and pays to Church and Poor:

That *Mich. Longmore* is a Servant to, and boards with, one *Bowler*, a Carpenter; but some time before the Election, he took a little House: And believes he is in the Poors Rate.

*Jos. Warner* and *Grome* said, That *Samuel Cox* has a House and Mill out of the Borough, where he lives; but it is acknowledged, That he had a House of his own in the Borough, with some Goods in it: That *Cox* was Overseer, in respect of his living out of the Borough; and was excused from the Rate about Four Years ago, at his Request: However it was acknowledged he was in the present Rate for the said House, as an empty House; and *Grome* said, He intended to ask for it.

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That,

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That, as to Threats and Bribery ;  
*Walter Parsons* said, That he, and several others, he believes, to the Number of above 20 Electors, were at *Sir Robert Fagg's* the Evening before the Election, being asked to go thither by *John Read*, *John Balcombe senior*, and *Mr. Charles Fagg*; where there was Beef and Mutton, and other Provisions for 40 Men; but he said, They had no Discourse about the Election.

*Nic. Killick* said, He was present at *Sir Robert Fagg's*, at two Entertainments: One was at the time spoken of by *Parsons*; and the other was about a Week before the Election, when there were about 13 Voters: And *John Read*, at both times, asked him for his Vote for *Sir Robert Fagg*; and told him, If he did, he should have Work at 12 *d.* a Day, besides Meat and Drink: And *Paching* told the said *Killick*, If he would be for *Sir Robert Fagg*, he should have a Naile of Beef, and a Loaf, every Week: And *Littington* told him, If he would vote for *Sir Robert Fagg*, there would be two Rings, one for him, another for his Wife.

*Thomas Mitchell* said, he had a great many Offers by *John Read* and *Littington*, on account of Beef and Bread: And *Littington* told him, if he would vote for *Sir Robert Fagg*, he and his Wife should each of them have a Ring.

That the Counsel for the Sitting Member said, They would justify their own Votes, and take off Eight from the Petitioner's Poll: But they proceeded first upon the Point of Bribery: And called

*John Patchin*: Who said, That *Mr. Goreing* came to his Shop, and agreed to give him a Guinea for a Gun: And afterwards he, said *Patchin*, met *Mr. Goreing*, and asked him for the Guinea: Upon which *Mr. Goreing* asked, How many Guineas he should give him to stand plum: And he, said *Patchin*, answering Five, *Mr. Goreing* put his Hand in his Pocket, and gave him a double Louis-d'or for a Coffee-mill, and his Vote, in Part of Five Guineas; but he never promised *Mr. Goreing* his Vote: And one *Wallis* told him, He had Occasion for a good Jack; and he would give him 5 *l.* more for it, if he would vote for *Mr. Goreing*.

*Thomas Grover* said, That he was at *Mr. Hunt's*, and *Mr. Goreing* called him away: But *Mr. Hunt* told him, That *Mr. Goreing* would give him Four Guineas for his Vote: And *Mr. Goreing* said, What you say, I will stand to.

*Richard Hunt* denied, that he offered *Grover* any thing for his Vote; but said *Mr. Goreing* desired him to offer *Thomas Grover* Four or Five Guineas for his Vote; which he told *Grover*.

*John Finch* said, That *Mr. Grover*, Three Days before the Election, promised him Two Guineas for his Vote; and that there was Half a Dozen Bottles of Wine drank at his House, at *Mr. Goreing's* Charge: And that . . . who drank of it but himself, voted for *Mr. Goreing*: But he said, *Finch* was excepted to by *Mr. Goreing*, at the time of the Poll, as having no Vote in the Election.

*John Double* said, He see *Mr. Goreing* give some Money to *Nicholas Gillick*, which he heard *Gillick's* Wife afterwards say was 40 *s.*; and at the same time *Mr. Goreing* gave *Gillick's* Child Half a Crown.

*Mich. Longmore* said, That *Mr. Goreing*, on the Election Day, came to him, and desired his Vote; and said, He had Work to do; and if he would vote for him, the said *Mr. Goreing*, he should have it all; and should have 5 *l.* beforehand, if he questioned his Pay: And that, Three or Four Days before the Election, he drank Wine and strong Drink with *Mr. Goreing*, and did not pay.

*Isaac Chalken* said, He is a Joiner; and *Mr. Goreing* promised him Work at *Sir William Goreing's*, if he would vote for him.

*Richard Gray* said, That *Mr. Goreing* offered to carry him a Load of Wood to *Shoreham*, if he would vote for him; for which Carriage he had before offered 15 *s.*

*Robert Holden* said, *Mr. Goreing* desired his Vote; and told him, He would oblige him; for a Landlord might

oblige his Tenant: He acknowledged he supped at *Sir Robert Fagg's* the Night before the Election.

*Samuel Cor* said, That *Goreing* bid him Nineteen Years Purchase for a House, provided he would give him his Vote: That the House was worth 53 *s.* Year; and afterwards he would give him but 45 *l.*

That the Counsel for the Sitting Member made some Attempt in making good their Numbers upon the Poll; but did not proceed further than to speak to Three of Four Persons; the Committee not being willing to hear further Evidence.

And that the Committee came to these Resolutions:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Sir Robert Fagg* Baronet, is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Steyning*, in the County of *Sussex*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Charles Goreing* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Steyning*.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Resolution be re-committed;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Sir Robert Fagg* Baronet, is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Steyning*, in the County of *Sussex*.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Charles Goreing* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Steyning*.

*Resolved*, That the late Election of a Burgess for the said Borough of *Steyning* is a void Election.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Speaker* do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Steyning*, in the County of *Sussex*, in the room of *Sir Robert Fagg* Baronet, whose Election is declared to be void.

The Serjeant acquainted the House, That his Messenger, having been at *Newgate*, finds, That the Keeper was gone abroad; and that several of his Officers were gone to *Kingston Assizes*; but that one of his Officers was come; and attended.

Persons  
examined  
touching  
*Kidd's* being  
at large.

Then the House being informed, That *Thomas Stockdell*, who, the House was informed, was the Person that gave Information of the Matter relating to *Captain Kidd*, also attended;

He was called in; and examined.

And then he withdrew.

Then *Matthew Smith*, one of the Keeper of *Newgate's* Officers, was called in; and examined.

And then he withdrew.

The House being informed, That *Captain Symonds*, whom the said *Thomas Stockdell* had informed of the Matter relating to the said *Captain Kidd*, also attended;

He was called in; and examined.

And then withdrew.

Afterwards the said *Captain Symonds* and *Thomas Stockdell* were called in together; and examined.

And then they withdrew.

The House being informed, That *Mr. Fell*, the Keeper of *Newgate*, was come, and attended, according to Order;

He was called in; and examined.

And then he withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better Preservation of the Protestant Religion; and for preventing the Translation of Bishops from one See to another; be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Preservation  
of Protestant  
Religion.

*Resolved*,

Limitation  
of the  
Crown.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the further Limitation of the Crown; and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 11<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;*

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#### PRAYERS.

Privilege—  
a Person  
petitions for  
Discharge.

**A** PETITION of *Charlwood Lawton* Esquire, Prisoner in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, was presented to the House, and read; expressing his Sorrow for having so misbehaved himself, as to incur the Displeasure of this House; and humbly begging Pardon for the same, and humbly imploring the Favour of the House for his Enlargement.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawton* be brought to the Bar To-morrow Morning, in order to his Discharge.

Herne's Will.

A Petition of *Frederick Herne* Esquire, eldest Son of Sir *Joseph Herne* Knight, deceased, and *Heneage Petherston*, Two of the Executors of the said Sir *Joseph Herne's* last Will, on behalf of themselves, and Six of the said Sir *Joseph Herne's* younger Children, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Sir *Joseph Herne* having given Instructions for his last Will, which was drawn into Form, dated the 25th of February 1698; whereby he was pleased to devise all his real and personal Estates for the Benefit of the Petitioners, his Widow, and younger Children; the same was read over to him, and he approved thereof; but being seized with a sudden Trembling, did sign but Two Sheets thereof, and died without perfecting it; whereby the Devises therein to his younger Children will fail; and some Doubt may arise whether the same be a Revocation of any former Will: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for declaring the same his last Will.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Bertie* and Mr. *Hammond* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Tythe of  
Lead-ore.

A Petition of the Freeholders and Miners within the Five Parishes of *Ashover, Matlock, Darley, Bonsall, and Carrington*, in the County of *Derby*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by a Petition preferred to this House, by divers Ministers in the County of *Derby*, for Leave to bring in a Bill for preventing vexatious Suits; and settling the Tythes of Lead-ore there; it is suggested, That there is a Custom in the said County for the Payment of Lead-ore in Kind to the several Parsons, Vicars, Owners of Rectories Appropriate or Improper, or other Proprietors, in the said County; and that the same hath been generally acknowledged by the Owners of Lead-mines through the said County; and that the same hath been confirmed by Decrees in Chancery and Exchequer, and Verdicts at Law; and that, by the same Verdicts, the said customary Duty is found to extend to the whole County: That the Petitioners do affirm there was never any Tythe Lead-ore, or Composition for the same, paid for any the said Five Parishes abovesaid, within the Memory of Man; and that, when several of the Predecessors of the present Parsons or Vicars of the said Five Parishes have sued in the Exchequer and Duchy Courts for Tythe Lead-ore, upon Suggestion, that there was a Custom to pay Tythe of Lead-ore, Tryals at Law have been directed to try the Custom, and Verdicts passed against the same, and the Bills in the said Courts dismissed: That there hath been no Suit depending for Tythes these 20 Years: That if the Bill should pass into an Act, it would

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not only charge the said Mines with a Duty never paid, but would discourage Adventurers and Miners in searching for Lead-mines; and bring many Hundreds of poor People, who now work in the Mines, on the Parishes, to be maintained, with their Families: And praying, That they may be heard, by their Counsel, against the said Bill.

The Bill was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Boscawen*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Moncton*, Sir *John Mordant*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *St. John*, Dr. *Davenant*, Mr. *Mounsteens*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. *Chetwynd*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Hampden*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Wm. Strickland*, Mr. *Lampton*, Sir *Jo. Molesworth*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Crocker*, Sir *Jo. Phillips*, Sir *Humph. Mackworth*, Sir *Tho. Mackworth*, Mr. *Fates*, Mr. *Leigh*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Portescue*, Mr. *Ryder*, Sir *Richard Cox*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Sir *Cha. Pye*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Walmsly*, Mr. *Phipps*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Cornwall, Nottingham, Stafford, Derby, and Devon*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Mr. *Leigh*, according to Order, presented to the House, a Bill for vesting the Estate of *Gervas Roswell* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold, to pay off the Debts and Incumbrances to which the same are liable; and for making Provision for the Maintenance of the Granddaughters of the said *Gervas*: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Thomas Hales* have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions.

*Ordered*, That the respective Auditors of *England, Wales, and Duchies of Cornwall and Lancaster*, do assist the respective Surveyors in laying before the House an Account of the Lands, Rents, and Estates, belonging to the Crown, undisposed of, with the present Value; and the Value of the Reversions, and Improved Rents.

*Ordered*, That the Auditor of the Queen Dowager do lay before this House a particular Account of her Majesty's Jointure; and distinguish what Part of it was the Queen Mother's; and what was granted by King *Charles* the Second, and how augmented by King *James* the Second.

A Petition of the Freeholders in the County of *Chester* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have observed, since the Use of Salt Rock, and of Salt refined from Rock, a very visible Decay of the Brine Manufacture; and that many Thousands are exposed to such extreme Want, as not... able to pay their Taxes, who, before, competently subsisted by the Carriage of Brine Salt, and Coal to manufacture the same: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Duties on Salt; and for collecting the same with less Charge to the Publick: And that Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Brereton*, and the Lord *Coningsby*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable Sir *Charles Barrington* Baronet to settle a Jointure; and make Provision for his younger Children: And the same was received.

A Petition of *John Parkhurst* and *John Paschall* Esquires was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they had delivered to the Commissioners for stating the Accounts of the Army, Navy, Prize Office, &c. their

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general Account, according to the Precept and Scheme prescribed by the Commissioners; and expressing their Sorrow for their great Misfortune in being under the Displeasure of the House, by not having perfected their Accounts sooner; and humbly begging Pardon of the House for any Offence they have given: And praying, That the House will please to consider the long Confinement they have been under; and that the House will please to order their Enlargement, that they may be thereby enabled to give the House the best Satisfaction they can in any thing that shall be required.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of Accounts do attend this House To-morrow Morning, with the Accounts delivered in from the Commissioners of Prizes: And that they do acquaint the House, Whether the same be according to the Directions of their Precept.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until To-morrow Morning.

Box's  
Divorce.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Robert Legard and Sir Richard Holford:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Ralph Box* with *Elizabeth Eyre*; and to enable him to marry again: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

East Retford  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *East Retford*, in the County of *Nottingham*, be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Treaties of  
Peace, &c.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* presented to the House, pursuant to their Address to his Majesty, several Treaties, and Translations of them, and of the Powers for them; and a Schedule of them.

And the Schedule was read; and is as follows; viz.

1. The *French* King's Ratification of the Treaty concerning the Electoral Prince of *Bavaria's* Succession to the Crown of *Spain*.
2. Translation of the same.
3. The *French* King's Ratification of the secret Article concerning the Elector of *Bavaria*.
4. The Translation of the same.
5. The *French* King's Ratification of the secret Article concerning the Duchy of *Milan*.
6. The Translation of the same.
7. The *French* King's Ratification of the separate Article explanatory of the Treaty.
8. The Translation of the same.
9. Power to the Earl of *Portland*, and Sir *Joseph Williamson*, to treat with the *French* King's Ministers concerning the *Spanish* Succession.
10. The Translation of the same.
11. Power to the Earl of *Portland*, and Sir *Joseph Williamson*, to treat with the States General concerning the *Spanish* Succession.
12. The Translation of the same.
13. His Majesty's Warrant for affixing the Great Seal to those Two Powers.
14. Powers to the Earls of *Portland* and *Jersey* to treat with the Commissioners of the Emperor, the most Christian King, and the States General.
15. The Translation of the same.
16. His Majesty's Warrant for affixing the Great Seal to the said Power.
17. Power to the Earls of *Portland* and *Jersey* to treat with the *French* King and the States concerning the *Spanish* Succession.
18. The Translation of the same.
19. His Majesty's Warrant for affixing the Great Seal to the said Power.
20. His Majesty's Ratification of the Treaty about the Electoral Prince of *Bavaria's* succeeding to the Crown of *Spain*; and of the separate and secret Articles.
21. The Translation of the same.

22. His Majesty's Warrant for affixing the Great Seal to those Ratifications.

23. The *French* King's Declaration for the Execution of the Treaty, and secret Articles; concerning the Succession of *Spain* 1698.

24. The Dauphin's Declaration for the Execution of the Treaty and secret Articles; concerning the Succession of *Spain* 1698.

And the Treaties and Translations are bound up with the Papers of this Session.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* presented to the House, pursuant to their Address to his Majesty, the Translation of the Treaty between the Emperor and the States General, called the Grand Alliance, with the separate Articles, dated May the 12th, 1689; and acquainted the House, That he had the Original in his Custody, for the Service of the House. The Title of the said Treaty was read.

And the Treaty is bound up with the said Papers.

Then the Report of the Conference with the Lords Yesterday was read.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Secretary *Vernon* do lay before this House all the Letters, and Copies of Letters, which have passed between himself and the Earl of *Portland* in the Years One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, or One thousand Six hundred Ninety-nine, or at any other time, with relation to any Treaty concerning the Partition of the *Spanish* Dominions.

*Ordered*, That the said Letters, and Copies of Letters, be laid before the House To-morrow Morning.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati*, 12° die Aprilis;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

A PETITION of *Thomas Baker*, of *Taunton*, in the County of *Somerset*, Merchant, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Henry Portman* Esquire, being elected to serve as a Burgess for this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Taunton*, and also for the City of *Wells*, made his Election for the said City; and, a new Writ issuing for electing a Burgess, in his room, for the said Borough of *Taunton*, the Petitioner stood Candidate, and was duly elected; but the Mayor, being very partial in taking the Poll, returned Sir *Thomas Warr* Baronet: And praying, That the House will take the same into Consideration, and relieve the Petitioner.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections; And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of several of the Inhabitants, being Potwalloners, within the Borough of *Taunton*, in the County of *Somerset*, was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That the constant and undoubted Right of electing Burgesses to serve in Parliament for the said Borough doth belong to such Inhabitants and Resiants as are Potwalloners or Potboilers there; and that *Henry Portman* Esquire, being elected for the said Borough, and also for the City of *Wells*, made his Election for the said City; whereupon a new Writ issuing for electing a Burgess, in his room, for the said Borough, the Petitioners, at the Day appointed, did offer themselves to vote for *Thomas Baker* Merchant, then one of the Candidates; but were rejected.

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rejected by *Thomas Besley*, then Mayor, who took the Poll, and admitted several Persons to vote, who had no Right, for Sir *Francis Warre*, Baronet, then also Candidate; and returned him Burgess accordingly; to the manifest Wrong of the Petitioners, and Destruction of the ancient Rights, Liberties, and Usage of the said Borough: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Lord Kilmorey's Estate.

A Bill to enable *Robert Lord Viscount Kilmorey*, of the Kingdom of Ireland, being an Infant, to settle divers Manors, Lands, and Hereditaments, in the Kingdom of England, upon a Treaty of Marriage, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Varney*, Mr. *Pitfield*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Jolliffe*, Sir *Robert Austin*, Sir *Jos. Leveson Gower*, Earl of *Dysert*, Mr. *Wynnyngton*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Brereton*, Mr. *Ash*, Mr. *Taylor*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Hurley*; and all that serve for *Lancaster*, *Cheshire*, *Norfolk*, *Suffolk*, *Shropshire*, and *Staffordshire*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Killlow's Estate.

An ingrossed Bill for the more speedy Payment of the Debts of *Christopher Killlow* Esquire; and for the raising Portions and Maintenance for his Brothers and Sisters, in pursuance of his former Will; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Debts of *Christopher Killlow* Esquire; and for the raising Portions and Maintenance for his Brothers and Sisters, in pursuance of his Father's Will.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Scobell* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

London Poor Relief.

A Bill for the further Relief and employing the Poor of the City of London; and punishing Vagrants, and idle Persons; was read a Second time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be rejected.

Privilege.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn* reported; from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, touching the Complaint of a Breach of Privilege in arresting *John Carter*, Servant of Sir *Edward Seymour* Baronet, a Member of this House; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

That the Committee had examined the said

*John Carter*: Who testified that Mr. *James Buckley*, and his Father, before the last Election of Burgesses to serve in this Parliament for the Borough of *Totnesse*, had threatened him, if he opposed his Interest, that he should be arrested in an Action of *Scandalum Magnatum*, at the Suit of the Duke of *Bolton*: That, accordingly, since the Election, the said *James Buckley* had sent for Two Writs against him; and he was actually arrested upon the 27th Day of March last: That he was arrested by the said *John Whitborough*: Who told him, He must carry him through the Town Prisoner; and then he was to have Three Guineas, or otherwise he was to have but One: And that he was carried Prisoner through the Town; and *Whitborough* afterwards told him, He had received Three Guineas: And the said *John Carter* further said, That he had served the Lady *Seymour*; and since her Death, hath served Sir *Edward Seymour* as his Bailiff, and collects his Rents, and has a Salary.

And that the Committee came to these Resolutions;

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*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *John Whitborough*, of *Exon*, Bailiff, having arrested *John Carter*, a menial Servant to Sir *Edward Seymour* Baronet, a Member of this House, during the Privilege of Parliament, is guilty of a Breach of Privilege of this House.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *James Buckley* junior, an Attorney, being concerned in the arresting of *John Carter*, a Servant to Sir *Edward Seymour* Baronet, a Member of this House, during the Privilege of Parliament, is guilty of a Breach of the Privilege of this House.

The said Resolutions being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said *John Whitborough* be, for the said Breach of Privilege, taken into Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That the said *James Buckley*, for the said Breach of Privilege, be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Mr. *Lawton* being brought, according to Order;

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Lawton* be called in to the Bar.

Mr. *Lawton* was, according to Order, called in to the Bar: Where he, upon his Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Lawton* be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

The House being informed, That the late Commissioners of Accounts attended, according to Order;

They were called in, and, at the Bar, presented to the House the Books which the Commissioners of Prizes had brought to them: And also an Account of their Proceedings, with those of the Prize Office, since the 28th of February 1700.

And then they withdrew.

And the said Account of the Proceedings was read; which gave Satisfaction to the House, That the Commissioners of Prizes had not sufficiently pursued the Direction of the Precept of the said Commissioners of Accounts.

And the said Account is as followeth; viz.

An Account of the Proceedings of the late Commissioners for stating the Debt of the Army, &c.; with those of the Prizes, since that delivered into the Honourable House of Commons the 28th of February last.

1701, April 5th. Mr. *Proudfoot* and Mr. *Portman*, from the Commissioners for Prizes, brought to the Board Five Books, indorsed, Scheme 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.; and another intituled, "Copies of all Commissions in relation to Prizes;" together with the following Letter from the said Commissioners; which was read: And, the Postscript thereof requiring some Explanation; they were called in, and asked, What Account they could give of it? To which they answered, That there had been Payments of several considerable Sums of Money, by their Agents, and Officers of Out Ports, which were not included in these Accounts: Upon which they were acquainted, That therefore the Books now brought could not be a full Return to the Precept; and that an Answer should be sent to the Gentlemen this Afternoon.

Gentlemen,

April 5th, 1701.

WE send you the Accounts of the Prize Office, according to the Scheme and Directions we have received from you; which we have signed, and are ready to make Oath are true Accounts, according to the best of our Knowledge, desiring your Directions in what manner we shall make that Oath, since we are not at Liberty to attend you: And we further intreat you, That you would be pleased to acquaint the Honourable the Speaker of the House of Commons, That the said Accounts are now in your Hands.

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You will find some Blanks in the Books, which, you will please to observe, do not relate to the material Part of our Accounts; and they have been occasioned by the Papers and Depositions transmitted to our Office, not being alike particular in all Cases; and by Loss of some other Papers in the Hurry of Removal, when a Fire happened some Years ago near our Office. We are,

Gentlemen,  
Your most humble Servants,  
*Jo. Parkhurst,*  
*John Paschall.*

We have several Accounts of the Out Ports Agents, Abstract of which we have not sent you; but are ready at any time to produce the Originals, and their Vouchers, before you, when you will please to receive the same.

Brought by Mr. *Proudfoot* and Mr. *Portman*, from the Commissioners for Prizes, April 5th, 1701, at about Half an Hour after Twelve.

April 5th. This Afternoon the following Answer was sent by the Commissioners of Accounts:

Gentlemen, *York Buildings*, April 5th, 1701.

THIS Day we received from you Five Books, indorsed, Scheme 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.; and one, intituled, "Copies of all Commissions in relation to Prizes;" which we shall require to be attested upon Oath, at a Time more convenient for you: And we desire to know, If the said Books contain all the Return you are capable of making to our Precept?

We should have been glad to comply with your Request; but conceive it more proper for you to acquaint the Honourable House of Commons what you have sent to us; our Time not permitting us to examine how far they are agreeable to the Method prescribed. We are,

Gentlemen,  
Your most humble Servants.  
Subscribed by all the Commissioners.

And this Return received and read; viz.

Gentlemen, April 7th.

IN Answer to the Query you are pleased to put to us, Whether the Books sent you contain all the Return we are capable of making to your Precept; we do assure you, That the said Books do contain all that your Precept requires, according to the best of our Knowledge. We are,

Gentlemen,  
Your most humble Servants,  
*Jo. Parkhurst,*  
*John Paschall.*

To which this Answer was given. 7th April.

Gentlemen, *York Buildings*, Apr. 7th, 1701.

WE received your Letter this Morning; but not finding, in the little Time we have had to look into the Books received on *Saturday* last, some Particulars required by our Precept, we desire you to order some Person to attend us To-morrow Morning, to give us Satisfaction therein. We are,

Gentlemen,  
Your most humble Servants,  
*Samuel Atkins,*  
*Thomas Lister,*  
*Geo. Langton.*

April 8th. Minutes taken from the Books of the Commissioners of Accounts.

Mr. *Proudfoot* and Mr. *Portman*, from the Commissioners for Prizes, came to the Board; and were acquainted, That though the Commissioners had had but very few Hours to look into the Books brought on *Saturday*; yet they had made some Observations, which led them to ask several Questions, and desire to receive Information therein from them.

\* This appears to be a Mistake; but the Sums agree both with the Journal, and the original Paper.

† 'Tis "him" in the original Paper.

1st, They observed, That, in the Letter from the Commissioners for Prizes of Yesterday, they were pleased to say, That the Books they had sent contained all that the Precept required; whereas it did appear by the Return from the High Court of Admiralty, That there had been condemned there about 1,295 Ships; and in these Books there is an Account of no more than 483 Ships, and the Ladings of 200 and odd more, which is not much more than Half. To which they answered, That several foreign Ships, condemned in that Court, were afterwards discharged; and therefore no Notice was taken of them in these Accounts. They were told, That this did not appear in the Books; and, though it were so, the Names of the said Ships should have been inserted, and an Account given of them accordingly. They were further acquainted, That, in one of their Books, they acknowledged to have received 297,686*l.* 14*s.* for the Ladings; and 124,181*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.* for the Hulls, Furniture, &c. of the Ships condemned as Prizes; making in all, \* 421,867*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.*; whereas it does not appear from these Books, that they have paid more than 323,591*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.*; so that there should remain, in the Commissioners Hands, the Sum of 98,275*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.* To which they answered, That the Payments of their Agents in Out Ports would supply that, which they did not apprehend was required by the Precept; and that no Balance was remaining in their Hands. They were told, That what they said, did not appear from these Books; and the Board conceived the Commissioners were answerable for their Agents; and that the Payments made by them should have been brought into this Account, as well as any other: And here it was observed to them, That, had the Instructions which appear in one of their Books, given, by the principal Commissioners, to the Sub Commissioners, and other Officers in Out Ports, been complied with, and a proper Register of them made in their Office, they would have been able, with much less Difficulty than it appears now they can, to have answered the Schemes in the Precept. They said, in Answer, That the said Officers had been often pressed to do it, but could never be brought to comply. Then they were acquainted, That Copies were wanting of the Warrants and Orders from the King, Treasury, &c. for the Disposal of any Ships or Goods which were required in the Body of the Precept: And they answered, That the Originals were with Mr. *Jodrell*, from whom they would get Copies. Then they said, The Commissioners for Prizes desired the Board would acquaint the Honourable House of Commons, That the Books brought in were pursuant to the Precept and Schemes; and were told, That it was true, the Books did appear to be drawn in that Form; but that, besides what is before-mentioned, and what might further appear upon better Examination than it was possible for the Board to make in so short a time, and when so many other Matters were depending, some of the Columns were left wholly blank; and Reference made, for the filling them, to the Accounts of the Receiver General; who being always under their Direction, and ordered, by a Vote of the House, to assist them, they ought to have obliged † them to have enabled them to do it; and, in other Places, Blanks were left, the filling of which was of Consequence; particularly it is not mentioned, when, or to whom, several Ships and Ladings were disposed: And, upon the Whole, they were acquainted, That the House of Commons not having required the Commissioners to send them any Account of what Return had been made to the Precept, and these Defects appearing, they conceived, That what they had hitherto enabled them to say, could not be of much Service to them; and therefore desired they would make their Application as they thought fit.

April 9th. The following Letter was received from the Commissioners of Prizes:

Gentlemen,  
THE Persons we desired to attend you, according to the Directions of your Letter in that behalf, having been with us, and given us to understand, That there are

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some Objections, in relation to your Precept, which you require us to answer;

We are very sorry that the Books we have given in, which were, with indefatigable Labour, completed in so short a time, should not, in all and every Particular, answer the Intention of your said Precept; and do assure you, we are not apprehensive that it did not contain any more than there is inserted in the said Books, having offered to lay before you the original Accounts, and Vouchers of our Agents in the Out Ports: But, to the End that nothing may be wanting on our Parts to give you Satisfaction in this Matter, we will forthwith cause such a further Account to be laid before you, as may particularly answer all those Objections you have made. We are,

Jo. Parkhurst,  
John Paschall.

Tower, 9th Apr. 1701.

April 9th. The Gentlemen, who brought this Letter, did offer, from the Commissioners for Prizes, to lay before the Board the original Accounts for the Agents of the Out Ports, and their Vouchers; which, he said, were very voluminous, and would require a great deal of Time to bring, in the Form of an Account: And they were answered, That, the Time of the Commission being now so very short, it was impossible to make any Use of them; besides, it was always expected, that those should have been brought into the general Account, answerable to the Scheme of the Precept. To which they replied, That it was impossible for them to do it within the Time.

Thomas Morice,  
S. Atkins.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, according to Order, presented to the House the Letters, and Copies of Letters, between himself and the Earl of *Portland*, relating to the Treaty of Partition; with a List of them.

And the List was read; and is as followeth;

List of Letters and Papers relating to the Treaty of Partition.

Earl of *Portland's* Letters of the 1<sup>st</sup> August 1698. 1.  
of the 5th September 1698. 2.  
of the 9th September 1698. 3.  
of the 16th September 1698. 4.

A joint Letter from the Earl of *Portland* and Sir *Joseph Williamson*, of the 27th September 1698. 5.

From the Earl of *Portland*, - } of the 1<sup>st</sup> September 1698. 6.  
of the 1<sup>st</sup> October 1698. 7.  
of the 7 October 1698. 8.  
of the { 25th Oct. } 1698. 9.  
of the { 7 November } 1698. 10.  
of the 1<sup>st</sup> November 1698. 11.

Letters of the Earl of *Portland*, - } of the 19th August 1698. 12.  
of the 21st August 1698. 13.  
of the 30th August 1698. 14.  
of the 2d September 1698. 15.  
of the 13th September 1698. 16.  
of the 27th September 1698. 17.  
of the 30th September 1698. 18.

Letters to the Earl of *Portland*, - } of the 7th Oct. 1698. 19.  
of the 18th Oct. 1698. 20.  
of the 28th Oct. 1698. 21.  
of the 1st November 1698. 22.

Letters to Sir *Jos. Williamson*, - } of the 27th Sept. 1698. 23.  
of the 30th Sept. 1698. 24.

Instructions to Mr. *Stanhope* and Mr. *Methuen*, his Majesty's Envoys in *Spain* and *Portugal*, - } of the 28th Sept. 1698. { 25.  
Copy of a Letter to Mr. *Stanhope*, and Mr. *Methuen*, of the 8th Oct. 1698. 27.

And the Letters and Copies are bound up with other Papers of this Session.

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Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to translate the said Letters; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Hampden*, Mr. *Hove*, Marquis of *Hartington*, Mr. *Winnington*, Sir *Humph. Mackworth*, Dr. *Davenant*, Mr. *Rowny*, Mr. Secretary *Hedges*, Colonel *Granville*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *King*, Lord *Spencer*, Mr. *Hopkins*, Sir *John Phillips*, Sir *H. Lyddall*, Sir *Charles Pye*, Mr. *Gwynne*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Eromley*, Lord *Wm. Pawlet*, Sir *Tho. Mompesson*, Sir *John Wynne*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Crocker*, Sir *John Thorold*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Sir *Cha. Turner*, Sir *Henry Bellasyse*, Mr. *Poultney*, Mr. *Blathwayte*, Sir *Henry Seymour*, Mr. *Paget*, Sir *Edw. Seymour*, Sir *John Bolls*, Sir *Walter Young*, Mr. *Compton*, Mr. *Prior*, Colonel *Cornwall*, Sir *Robert Jenkynson*, Mr. *Finch*, Mr. *Mounsteuens*, Mr. *Thynne*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Walsh*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Grimes*, Mr. *Hammond*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Lord *Mordant*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Onslowe*, Sir *Richard Onslowe*, Mr. *Dolben*, or any Five of them: And they are to meet at Four of the Clock, this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber: And are to sit *de die in diem*.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the further Limitation of the Crown; and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject. Limitation of the Crown.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Sir *John Bolls* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Sir *John Bolls* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move the House, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Mary Stout*, formerly *Stout's* Petition. presented to this House, be read upon *Thursday* Morning next.

Resolved, That the Bill for regulating, and making more useful, the Militia of this Kingdom, be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next. Regulating Militia.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the better preventing Bribery, and other undue Practices in Elections; and for the preserving the Dignity and Constitution of Parliament. Regulating Elections.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 14<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;*

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

A PETITION of *Henry Guy* Esquire, the surviving Trustee of the last Will and Testament of Sir *William Pulteney*, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Sir *William Pulteney* and his Ancestors, having for many Years past enjoyed, from the Crown, several Lands and Tenements within the Liberty of *Westminster*, by virtue of a Lease from King *Charles* the Second, for a Considerable Number of Years yet to come and unexpired, which Lease was granted on a valuable Consideration; that the Petitioner, and Sir *Thomas Clarges*, deceased, being appointed Trustees of the said Sir *William Pulteney's* Will, were thereby directed to sell, among other Things, all his Leasehold Estate; and, after Payment of his Debts, Legacies, and Portions, to lay out the Resumption of Grants.

the Money arising thereby upon a Purchase of Lands in Fee-simple, for the Benefit of his Family: That the Petitioners, to effect the same, obtained a Decree in Chancery, to enable them to purchase a further Term of Years in Part of the said Lands and Tenements, and other Part thereof in Fee-simple, for the greater Benefit of the said Family: That, accordingly, they did purchase from his present Majesty, and the late Queen, a further Term of Years, in Part of the said Premises, and other Part in Fee-simple; which Consideration-money was really, and *bona fide*, paid into his Majesty's Exchequer: That, since the said Purchase so made, Part of the Premises has been sold to several Purchasers, upon a full and valuable Consideration, as the said Will, Decree, and Letters Patent, direct: That, the last Parliament, an Act was passed for enabling the surviving Trustee of the said Sir William to make Leases for the raising of Monies for Payment of his Son Sir William Pultney's Debts, and other Purposes therein mentioned; in which said Act the several Purchases, so made from the Crown, are recited, and all Sales of any Part of the Testator's Estate confirmed, and the Petitioner impowered to make further Sales of the Remainder of the Premises; by virtue whereof, the Petitioner hath contracted for the Sale of most of the remaining Part of the said Estate: That the Petitioner is informed there is a Bill depending, in this Honourable House, for resuming the Grants of all Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th of February 1684; and for applying the same to the Use of the Publick; which, should it pass into a Law, would tend to . . . the Testator's Family: And praying, That this House will take the Premises into their serious Consideration, and grant the Petitioner Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Resumption  
of Grants.

A Petition of *Charles Booth* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That his Majesty, in Consideration of 915*l.* paid by the Petitioner, was pleased, by Letters Patents under the Great Seal, dated 15th June 1694, to grant unto the Petitioner certain Lands in Reversion, after the Queen Dowager, of 180*l.*: That the said Sum of 915*l.* was Part of the Petitioner's Wife's Portion; and the said Lands, in Consideration thereof, settled on the Petitioner's said Wife, and her Children: That his Majesty has been likewise pleased, in Consideration of Services done by the Petitioner, by his Letters Patents, dated 27th of June 1699, to grant unto the Petitioner a yearly Rent, for the Term of 21 Years, out of the Tenth of the Clergy: That the Petitioner understanding there is a Bill depending, in this Honourable House, for resuming the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick: And praying a Clause may be inserted, in the said Bill, for saving the Petitioner's Right in the said Grant.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Ditto.

A Petition of *Charles Duke of St. Albans* and *Diana Duchess of St. Albans*, his Wife, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, upon the Marriage of the said Duke and Duchess of *St. Alban*, his Majesty, and the late Queen, were graciously pleased, by their Letters Patents, dated 14th August, in the 6th Year of their Reign, to grant unto the Petitioners One Annuity of \* 1,000*l.* per Annum, issuing out of the Revenues following; viz. 500*l.* per Annum out of the Revenues within the Principality of *Wales*; 500*l.* more out of the Revenues arising by Fines upon Alienation; and 1,000*l.* a Year Remainder thereof, out of the First-fruits and Tenth of the Clergy; to hold to the Petitioners, for their Lives, and the longer Liver of them: That the Petitioners, understanding there is a Bill depending for re-assuming all Grants since the Year 1684, are advised the same will

\* This is 2,000*l.* in the original Petition.

avoid their said Grant: And praying a Saving may be added, in the said Bill, for preserving the Benefit of the said Grant to the Petitioners.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Castlerising*, in the County of *Norfolk*, in the room of *Thomas Howard* Esquire, deceased. Castlerising Writ.

A Petition of *Bernard Tanner* Esquire, Uncle, and Heir at Law, of *John Tanner*, late of *Court*, in the County of *Cornwall*, Esquire, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said *John Tanner* died seised in Fee of divers Manors, Lands, and Hereditaments, in the Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon*, incumbered with several great Debts, secured by Mortgages, Judgments, Statutes, and Recognizances, to the Value of 20,000*l.* and upwards; but having in his Lifetime made a voluntary Settlement thereof on the Petitioner for Life, and his Male Issue; Remainder to *George Tanner*, the Petitioner's Brother, who is an Infant; and the Petitioner having no Children; the Estate cannot be sold, for Payment of the said Debts; but is in Danger of being swallowed up by the Creditors, without Reserve of any Part to the Family: And praying Leave to bring in a Bill for Sale of the said Estate, or such Part thereof as will be sufficient for the Payment of the said Debts. Tanner's Estate.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Joseph Tredenham* and Mr. *Hoblyn* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

A Petition of *Cordelia Apsley*, on behalf of her Four Children by *Henry Apsley* Esquire, her late Husband, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in the Year 1676, in Consideration of Marriage, and 1,000*l.* Portion, the said *Henry Apsley* did settle an Estate of about 250*l.* per Annum, upon himself, for Life; and afterwards, as to Part, to the Petitioner, for her Jointure; Remainder, as to the whole Estate, to his First and other Sons, in Tail Male; Remainder to his own right Heirs: That Part of the said Estate was the Manor of *Hamersden*, in the County of *Sussex*, of which several Copyholds were held; and *inter alia*, a Farm called *Leavers*, held by one *Gabriel Egles*, who afterwards, in the Year 1682, sold the same to the said *Henry Apsley*, who took the Conveyance thereof in his own Name: That the said *Henry* taking the said Farm to be at his own Dispose, and intending to make Provision for his Six Younger Children, did, by his Will, in the Year 1685, devise, *inter alia*, the said *Leavers* Farm unto the Petitioner, *Samuel Boys* her Father, and *William Boys* her Brother, both since dead, and their Heirs, to be sold; and the Profits, until such Sale, to be equally divided among his Children, except his eldest Son *Henry*, at their Age of One-and-twenty, or Marriage; and in 1692, died: That, at his Death, he left the said *Henry*, and *John*, *Anne*, *Philadelphia*, and *Sarah*, *Cordelia*, and *Dorothy*; which said *Henry* is since dead; whereby *John* is become intitled to the said settled Estate of 250*l.* yearly: That the said *Philadelphia* and *Dorothy* are since dead; and the Petitioner hath taken upon her the Trust for the younger Children; and, having met with an advantageous Purchaser for the said *Leavers* Farm, upon Occasion whereof Counsel looking into the Title, they find, That, by reason of the Conveyance thereof to the said *Henry Apsley*, Lord of the Manor of which the same was holden, the same is become merged in the said Manor; whereby the Petitioner cannot make a legal Settlement thereof, for raising the younger Children's Portions, without the Aid of an Act of Parliament: And praying, That the House will give Leave, that a Bill may

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be brought in to enable the Petitioner to perform the Will of the said *Henry Apsley*, by Sale of the said Farm, pursuant thereto.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Philip Boteler* and Mr. *Brewer* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Barrington's Estate.

A Bill to enable Sir *Charles Barrington* Baronet, to settle a Jointure, and make Provision for his younger Children, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Deale Waterworks.

Sir *Robert Davers* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for furnishing the Town of *New Deale* with fresh Water was committed, That they had examined the same; and heard *William Warner* Gentleman, whose Petition was referred to them; and made several Amendments to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Conway* have Leave to go into the Country for Ten Days, for Recovery of his Health.

Regulating Militia.

A Bill for regulating, and making more useful, the Militia of this Kingdom, was, according to Order, read a Second Time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

Justices of Peace, &c.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Seven-night, take into Consideration, what has been done in pursuance of his Majesty's most gracious Answer to the Address of this House last Session of Parliament, in relation to the Justices of Peace, and Lieutenancy.

Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *George Rodney Bridges* have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Partition Treaty.

Sir *Godfrey Copley* reported from the Committee appointed to translate the Letters between Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, and the Earl of *Portland*, relating to the Treaty for the Partition of the *Spanish* Dominions, That they had translated them accordingly: And he delivered them in at the Table: Where the same, and the Copies of the Letters sent by Mr. Secretary *Vernon* to the Earl of *Portland*, were read; all of them dated in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight.

And the said Translations are bound up with the Papers of this Session.

And the Treaty in the Year 1698, with the secret and separate Articles; and also the Treaty called the General Alliance, with the separate Articles, dated the 12th of May 1698; were read.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant do go, with the Mace, into *Westminster-hall*, and Court of Requests, and Places adjacent, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House immediately.

And he went accordingly.

And, being returned;

And a Debate being in the House, touching the Lord *Sommers*;

Lord Sommers desires to be heard;

The House was informed, That the Lord *Sommers* had heard, That the House was upon a Debate concerning him: And that he desired he might be admitted in; and heard.

Admitted.

*Resolved*, That the Lord *Sommers* be admitted in; and heard.

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*Ordered*, That Candles be brought in.

And Candles were brought in accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Sommers* be asked this Question; viz. Who informed him, That there was a Debate in this House, relating to his Lordship?

Then a Chair was set, by the Serjeant, a little within the Bar, on the Left-hand the coming in: And the Serjeant had Directions to acquaint the Lord *Sommers*, That he might come in.

Manner of receiving him.

And, the Door being opened, his Lordship came in, uncovered, making his Obeisances in the Passage, and at the Bar; and came up to the Chair.

And Mr. Speaker acquainted his Lordship, That he might, if he pleased, repose himself in the Chair: And he sat down, and was covered: And rose up again presently, uncovered, and stood behind the Chair; and was heard what he had to offer to the House.

Heard in what he had to offer.

Afterwards Mr. Speaker asked his Lordship the Question directed by the House:

To which his Lordship said, That he was strangely surprised at a Question that he never knew was put to any Man that came to desire a Favour of being heard; and that, if that Question was asked, to bring the least Prejudice to any one Man in *England*, he would not only be content to lie under the Censure of this House, but suffer the worst Thing that might befall him upon Earth, rather than do such a dishonourable Thing.

And then his Lordship withdrawing, came back, and desired to leave with the House a Letter, his Lordship acquainted the House, that he had received from his Majesty; and which, he said, he had his Majesty's Leave to acquaint the House with; and also a Copy of his Lordship's Letter, he sent to his Majesty, in Answer thereof; which Letter, and Copy, his Lordship had mentioned in what he had offered to the House.

And he left the same accordingly:

And then withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That *John Lord Sommers*, by advising his Majesty, in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, to the Treaty for Partition of the *Spanish* Monarchy; whereby large Territories of the King of *Spain*'s Dominions were to be delivered up to *France*; is guilty of a high Crime and Misdemeanor;

Resolution that he is guilty of High Crimes, &c.

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Tredenham*,  
Mr. *Gwyn*: } 198.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Hervey*,  
Mr. *Morgan*: } 188.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Resolved*, That *John Lord Sommers* be impeached of high Crimes and Misdemeanors.

To be impeached.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Harcourt* do go up to the Lords, and, at their Bar, in the Name of the House of Commons, and of all the Commons of *England*, impeach *John Lord Sommers* of high Crimes and Misdemeanors; and acquaint them, That this House will, in due time, exhibit particular Articles against him, and make good the same.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That *Edward Earl of Orford*, by advising his Majesty, in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, to the Treaty of Partition of the *Spanish* Monarchy; whereby large Territories of the King of *Spain*'s Dominions were to be delivered up to *France*; is guilty of a high Crime and Misdemeanor;

Earl Orford's Impeachment.

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel *Granville*,  
Mr. *Bromley*: } 193.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Strickland*,  
Mr. *Geo. Rodney Bridges*: } 148.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Resolved*, That *Edward Earl of Orford* be impeached of high Crimes and Misdemeanors.

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*Ordered*,



*Ordered*, That Colonel *Byerly* do go up to the Lords, and, at their Bar, in the Name of the House of Commons, and of all the Commons of *England*, impeach *Edward* Earl of *Orford* of high Crimes and Misdemeanors; and acquaint them, That this House will, in due time, exhibit particular Articles against him, and make good the same.

Lord  
Hallifax's  
Impeach-  
ment.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That *Charles* Lord *Hallifax*, by advising his Majesty, in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight to the Treaty of Partition of the *Spanish* Monarchy; whereby large Territories of the King of *Spain's* Dominions, were to be delivered up to *France*; is guilty of a high Crime and Misdemeanor;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Hammond*, } 186.  
                                  { Mr. *Bertie*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Stonehouse*, } 136.  
                                  { Mr. *Walsh*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Resolved*, That *Charles* Lord *Hallifax* be impeached of high Crimes and Misdemeanors.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bruges* do go up to the Lords, and, at their Bar, in the Name of the House of Commons, and of all the Commons of *England*, impeach *Charles* Lord *Hallifax* of high Crimes and Misdemeanors; and acquaint them, That this House will, in due time, exhibit particular Articles against him, and make good the same.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis*, 15° die *Aprilis*;

13° *Willielmi*, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

Lofland's, &c.  
Nat.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Adrian Lofland*, and others, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Resumption  
of Grants.

A Petition of *Isabella* Duchess of *Grafton* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, as Executrix of *Henry* late Duke of *Grafton*, her Husband, deceased, being possessed of Three-fourth Parts of *Hevering* Park, in the County of *Essex*, for the Remainder of a Term of 99 Years, granted to Sir *Henry* *Hobart*, and others, in Trust; his present Majesty, and the late Queen *Mary*, by Letters Patents, dated 13th of *March*, in the 5th Year of their Reign, the better to enable the Petitioner to pay the Debts of her deceased Husband, did grant and demise unto *John Hampden* Esquire, and *Thomas Covell* Gentleman, in Trust for the Petitioner, the said Three-fourth Parts of the said Park, for the Term of 99 Years, to commence after the Expiration of the said Term of 99 Years, granted to the said Sir *Henry* *Hobart*, and others: That the said 99 Years Term, granted to *John Hampden* and *Thomas Covell*, as aforesaid, will not commence in Profit till the said 99 Years granted to the said Sir *Henry* *Hobart* shall be expired: That the Petitioner hath paid and satisfied the Debts of her said Husband, more than the Value not only of the Remainder of the 99 Years, which came to her as Executrix of her said Husband; but also of the said 99 Years granted to the said *John Hampden* and *Thomas Covell*, in Trust for her: And praying a Clause may be inserted in the Bill for resuming the Grants, and other Revenues, since the 6th of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick; for saving of the Petitioner's Right in the said Term of 99 Years.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Mr. *Bertie*, according to Order presented to the House, a Bill for declaring the Will of Sir *Joseph Herne*, dated the Twenty-fifth Day of February One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, to be taken and esteemed the last Will of the said Sir *Joseph Herne*: And the same was received. Herne's Will.

A Petition of Sir *Robert Killigrew* Knight, and *William Killigrew* Esquire, on behalf of themselves, and other Participants and Drainers of *Linsey Level* was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That a Bill being formerly brought into this House, concerning the Petitioners Interest in the said Level, several Deeds, Writings, and other Papers, were, by Order, lodged by the Petitioners, with the then Clerk of this House: That a Bill is now depending, in the House of Peers, concerning the same Matter; and a Hearing is appointed to be had this Day, at the Bar there; wherein the Petitioners shall have Occasion to make use of the said Deeds, Writings, and Papers: And praying, That the Clerk of this House, or some for him, may attend, with them, at the said Hearing. Petition for producing Documents in the Clerk's Custody.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk, or some for him, do attend with the said Writings.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Sir *Robert Marsham* Knight and Baronet to dispose of Lands in *Hertfordshire*; and to settle other Lands, of better Value, in *Kent*, to the same Uses as the Lands in *Hertfordshire* are settled; was read the Third time. Marsham's Estate.

And some Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill, the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; *viz.*

Pr. 7th, L. 1st, after "that," leave out to the Word "all," in the 4th Line.

L. 43. after "County," leave out "to be allowed and approved of by," and insert "shall be, and are hereby, vested and settled in."

L. 45. after "*Penkhurst*," leave out "or the Survivor of them," and insert "and their Heirs." Pr. 8th, L. 3. after "*Hertford*," insert "and."

L. 11. after "that," leave out "then, and from thenceforth."

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brewer* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordship's Concurrence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Taylor* have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions. Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fortescue* have leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Stawell* have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon Extraordinary Occasions.

An ingrossed Bill for vesting the Estate of Sir *John Bowyer* Baronet, in Trustees, to enable him to make a Settlement, in order to his Marriage, was read the Third time. Bowyer's Marriage Settlement.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for vesting the Estate of Sir *John Bowyer* Baronet, in Trustees, to enable him to make a Settlement, in order to his Marriage.

*Ordered*, That the Lord *William Pawlett* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Petition

Ballard's  
Complaint  
against a  
Collector of  
Customs.

A Petition of *Daniel Ballard* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner having some time since exhibited Articles against *John Dutton Colt* Esquire, late Collector of his Majesty's Customs at *Bristol*; whereby he is charged with embezzling the King's Treasure, employing the same to his private Advantage; the Truth of which appears by his own Letters to the Lords of the Treasury; but, there being no Prosecutions against him, he hath proceeded with the utmost Violence against the Petitioner, under Pretence of great Sums of Money due to him, from the Petitioner; although there is due from him, to the Petitioner, 1,754*l.* as appears by a Note under his Hand; and the Petitioner, not being able to find Bail, is become a Prisoner in the *Fleet*: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Howe*, Mr. *Winnington*, Mr. *Harley*, Lord *Pawlet*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Dolben*, Sir *Charles Bloys*, Mr. *Harris*, Mr. *Hammond*, Sir *John Trevillion*, Colonel *Byerly*, Sir *Wm. Coryton*, Mr. *Mannaton*, Sir *John Packington*, Mr. *Gwynne*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Mr. *Cocks*, Sir *John Mordant*, Mr. *Chetwyn*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Colonel *Stringer*, Sir *Tho. Wagstaffe*, Sir *Walter Young*, Sir *Thomas Powys*, Mr. *Gorges*, Mr. *Lawson*, Sir *John Williams*, Mr. *Thynne*, Mr. *Fuller*, Sir *John Kaye*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Prideaux*, Sir *Robert Drovers*, Sir *Ja. Howe*, Mr. *Dryden*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Sir *John Phillips*: And they are to meet this Afternoon in the Speaker's Chamber: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Lady  
Bulkly's  
Estate.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable the Right Honourable *Elizabeth Lady Bulkly* to sell certain Lands in the County of *Devon*, and City, and County of the City, of *Exon*, for the Payment of Debts, was committed, be received To-morrow Morning.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Lists of Lieu-  
tenancy.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* presented to the House several Lists of the Lieutenantcy; with a Schedule of them.

Ordered, That the said Lists do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

And they are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

Lord  
Sommers'  
Impeach-  
ment.

Mr. *Harcourt* reported, That he had, according to Order, been at the Lords; and, in the Name of this House, and of all the Commons of *England*, impeached *John Lord Sommers* of high Crimes and Misdemeanors; and acquainted the Lords, That this House will, in due time, exhibit particular Articles against him, and make good the same.

Charge of  
Bribery  
against Mr.  
Shepherd,  
a Member.

The House proceeded, according to Order, to take into Consideration, how they will further proceed with relation to the Crimes whereof *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, stands convicted before this House.

Resolved, That the said *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, shall be expelled this House.

Resolved, That the said *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, do receive the said Sentence at the Bar of this House.

Ordered, That *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, be brought to the Bar of this House To-morrow Morning: And that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrants accordingly.

Earl Orford's  
Impeach-  
ment.

Colonel *Byerly* reported, That he had, according to Order, been at the Lords; and impeached *Edward Earl of Orford* of high Crimes and Misdemeanors; and acquainted the Lords, That this House will, in due time,

exhibit particular Articles against him, and make good the same.

Mr. *Burges* reported, That he had, according to Order, been at the Lords; and impeached *Charles Lord Halifax* of high Crimes and Misdemeanors; and acquainted the Lords, That this House will, in due time, exhibit particular Articles against him, and make good the same.

Lord Hal-  
ifax's Im-  
peachment.

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee appointed to draw up Articles of Impeachment against *William Earl of Portland*, to draw up Articles of Impeachment also against the said *John Lord Sommers*, *Edward Earl of Orford*, and *Charles Lord Halifax*: And that Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Thomas Meeres*, Mr. *Winnington*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Scobell*, Colonel *Byerly*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Serjeant *Hooper*, Mr. *Pagett*, be added to the said Committee: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber; and sit *de die in diem*.

Ordered, That the Letters, and Copies of the Letters, presented to the House, by Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, relating to the Partition Treaty; and the Translation of the said Letters; be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee.

A Copy of the Letter from the Lord *Sommers* to his Majesty, which his Lordship delivered in to the House Yesterday, dated the Eight-and-twentieth of August One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Lord Som-  
mers' Letter  
to the King.

Sir, *Tunbridge Wells*, 28th August 1698.

HAVING your Majesty's Permission to try if the Waters would contribute to the Re-establishment of my Health, I was just got to this Place, when I had the Honour of your Commands: I thought the best Way of executing them would be, to communicate to my Lord *Orford*, Mr. *Mountague*, and the Duke of *Shrewsbury*, who, before I left *London*, had agreed upon a Meeting about that time, the Subject of my Lord *Portland's* Letter; at the same time letting them know, how strictly your Majesty required, that it should remain an absolute Secret.

Since then, Mr. *Mountague* and Mr. Secretary are come hither; and upon the whole Discourse, Three Things have principally occurred, to be humbly suggested to your Majesty;

1st, That the entertaining a Proposal of this Nature seems to be attended with many ill Consequences, if the *French* did not act a sincere Part; but we were soon at Ease as to any Apprehension of this Sort, being fully assured, your Majesty would not act but with the utmost Niceness in an Affair wherein your Glory, and the Safety of *Europe*, were so highly concerned.

The Second Thing considered, was, The very ill Prospect of what was like to happen upon the Death of the King of *Spain*, in case nothing was done previously, towards the providing against that Accident; which seems probably to be very near; the King of *France* having so great a Force in Readiness, that he was in a Condition to take Possession of *Spain* before any of the other Princes could be ready to make a Stand: Your Majesty is the best Judge whether this be the Case, who are so perfectly informed of the Circumstances of all the Parts abroad.

But, so far as relates to *England*, it would be want of Duty not to give your Majesty this clear Account: That there is a Deadness, and Want of Spirit, in the Nation universally, so as not at all to be disposed to the Thoughts of entering into a new War; and that they seem to be tired out with Taxes, to a Degree\* beyond what was discerned, till it appeared upon Occasion of the late Elections: This is the Truth of the Fact, upon which your Majesty will determine what Resolutions are proper to be taken.

That which remained, was, The Consideration what would be the Condition of *Europe*, if the Proposal took place: Of this we thought ourselves little capable of judging; but it seemed, that, if *Sicily* was in the *French* Hands, they would be intirely Masters of the *Levant* Trade: That if they were possessed of *Final*, and those other

\* The Word "beyond" is inserted from the original Letter.

Sea Ports on that Side, whereby *Milan* would be intirely shut out from Relief at Sea, or any Commerce, that *Duchy* would be of little Signification in the Hands of any Prince; and that, if the King of *France* had Possession of that Part of *Guipuscoa* which is mentioned in the Proposal, besides the Ports he would have in the Ocean, it does seem he would have as easy a Way of invading *Spain* on that Side, as he now has on the Side of *Catalonia*.

But it is not to be hoped, that *France* will quit its Pretences to so great a Succession, without considerable Advantages; and, we are all assured, your Majesty will reduce the Terms as low as can be done, and make them, as far as is possible in the present Circumstances of Things, such as may be some Foundation for the future Quiet of *Christendom*; which, all your Subjects cannot but be convinced, is your true Aim: If it could be brought to pass, that *England* might be some way a Gainer by this Transaction, whether it was by the Elector of *Bavaria*, who is the Gainer by your Majesty's Interposition in this Treaty, his coming to an Agreement to let us into some Trade to the *Spanish* Plantations, or in any other manner, it would wonderfully endear your Majesty to your *English* Subjects.

It does not appear, in case this Negotiation should proceed, what is to be done on your Part, in order to make it take place; whether any more be required, than that the *English* and *Dutch* should sit still, and *France* itself is to see it executed: And, if that be so, what Security ought to be expected; that if, by our being Neuters, the *French* be successful, they will confine themselves to the Terms of the Treaty, and not attempt to make further Advantages of their Success.

I humbly beg your Majesty's Pardon, that these Thoughts are so ill put together: These Waters are known to discompose and disturb the Head, so as almost totally to disable one from Writing. I should be extremely troubled, if my Absence from *London* has delayed the Dispatch of the Commission one Day. I have put the Seal to it without expecting the Return of the Warrant which Mr. Secretary sent; begging of your Majesty, that it may be soon transmitted to myself, or to Mr. Secretary, so as it may not be known but that I had it in time. You will be pleased to observe, that Two Persons, as the Commission is drawn, must be named in it; but the Powers may be executed by either of them: I suppose your Majesty will not think it proper to name Commissioners who are not *English*, or naturalized, in an Affair of this Nature.

I pray God give your Majesty Honour and Success in all your Undertakings! I am, with the utmost Duty and Respect,

Sir,

Your Majesty's most dutiful, and most obedient Subject and Servant.

The Commission is wrote by Mr. Secretary; and I have had it sealed in such a manner, that no Creature has the least Knowledge of the Thing, besides the Persons already named.

Ordered, That the said Copy of the said Letter be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bruges* and Mr. *Howe* do withdraw into the Speaker's Chamber, and translate a Letter from his Majesty to the Lord *Sommers*, dated August  $\frac{1}{2}$  1698, which his Lordship also Yesterday delivered in to this House; and report the same to the House.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will be pleased to remove *John* Lord *Sommers* from his Council and Presence for ever;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *St. John*,  
Mr. *Winnington*: } 162.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Roberts*,  
Sir *Will. Strickland*: } 107.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to his

Majesty, That he will be pleased to remove *Edward* Earl of *Orford* from his Council and Presence for ever.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will be pleased to remove *Charles* Lord *Hallifax* from his Council and Presence for ever.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will be pleased to remove *William* Earl of *Portland* from his Council and Presence for ever.

Resolved, That an Address be drawn up, upon the said Resolutions; and, upon the Debate of the House, to be presented to his Majesty.

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee, who are to draw up the said Articles of Impeachment, to draw up the said Address.

Resolved, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by the whole House.

Mr. *Bruges* reported, That he and Mr. *Howe* had, according to Order, translated the Letter from his Majesty to the Lord *Sommers*: And he delivered the same in at the Table: Where the said Translation was read; and is as followeth;

At *Loo*, the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of August 1698.

I imparted to you, before I left *England*, That in *France* there was expressed to my Lord *Portland* some Inclination to come to Agreement with me, concerning the Succession of the King of *Spain*; since which, Count *Tallard* hath mentioned it to me; and hath made Propositions, the Particulars of which my Lord *Portland* will write to *Vernon*, to whom I have given Orders not to communicate them to any other beside yourself; and to leave to your Judgment, to whom else you would think proper to impart them: To the End I might know your Opinions upon so important an Affair, and which requires the greatest Secrecy, if it be fit this Negotiation should be carried on, there's no Time to be lost; and you must send me the full Powers, under the Great Seal, with the Names in Blank, to treat with Count *Tallard*: I believe this may be done secretly, that none but you and *Vernon*, and those to whom you shall have communicated it, may have Knowledge of it; so that the Clerks, who are to write the Warrant, and the full Powers, may not know what it is. According to all Intelligence, the King of *Spain* cannot outlive the Month of October; and the least Accident may carry him off every Day. I received Yesterday your Letter of the 9th. Since my Lord *Wharton* cannot at this time leave *England*, I must think of some other to send Ambassador to *Spain*: If you can think of any one proper, let me know it, and be always assured of my Friendship.

WILLIAM R.

Ordered, That the said Letter and Translation be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee.

The Order for the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *East Retford*, to be made this Day, being read;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Report be received upon Thursday next;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bright*,  
Mr. *Topham*: } 76.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Brotherton*,  
Mr. *Freeman*: } 177.

It passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the said Report be now received.

Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, according to Order, reported, from the said Committee, the Matter touching the said Election, and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the Petition of Sir *Willoughby Hickman* Baronet, complaining of an undue Election of *Thomas White* Esquire, to serve for the Borough of *East Retford*:

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That

Addresses for removing Lord Sommers, &c.

East Retford Election.

That the First Thing that came in question before the Committee, was, the Right of Election :

The Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That the Right was in the Burgesses being Freemen at large; the Sitting Member's Counsel insisting, That the Right was only in the Freemen resident within the Borough.

Upon the Poll, there was,

For the Sitting Member, 24.

For the Petitioner, 17.

That the Petitioner, as to the Right of Election, called several Witnesses :

*William Bunby* said, That *Sir Edward Nevill*, though not resident, voted above 14 Years ago, and in several Elections, and continued an Alderman : That his Brother *Richard Bunby* continued Auditor, and did vote when not resident :

That *Ræson* was out of Town above a Year and Day, and voted at last Election, and had been a Soldier for 3 Years; however it was acknowledged, That his Wife lived in Town : That *William Gabitus* voted, a Dozen Years ago, in the Election of an Alderman, or junior Bailiff; and *Robert Mason* voted the last Election before this.

*Lawrence King* said, That, in King *Charles* the 2d's Time, *John Ryley* had lived above a Year and Half out of Town, at *Wheatly*; and was sent for to vote; and his Vote was not questioned.

*Wm. Moody* said, That *William Atkinson* continued Alderman when he lived out of Town, and has voted for Officers; but himself had lived out of Town Twenty Years.

That the Petitioners insisted further, That the non-resident Burgesses were only excluded by an Order of the Corporation.

And they produced an Order, in an ancient Book, made by the Bailiffs and Aldermen, by which several Persons, not resident within the Borough, are, by Name, disabled and exempted from giving of any Voices at or for any Election or Elections whatsoever : And, in the same Order, it is ordered, established, and decreed, by the Bailiffs, and the Aldermen, That if any Burgess or Burgesses of the said Borough shall, at any time then after, remove his or their Dwelling or Dwellings forth of the Liberties of the said Borough, and so shall continue the same for the space of One whole Year; that then all and every such Burgess and Burgesses shall from thenceforth be and stand likewise disabled and exempted from giving of any Voice or Voices at or for any Election or Elections whatsoever within the said Borough.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel insisted, That the Non-residents had no Vote : And called,

*Richard Brownlowe*; who was Apprentice at *East Retford* in 51 :

*William Jessop*; who had known *East Retford* 46 Years : And,

*Marmaduke Cotton*; who had known *East Retford* 40 Years :

And they said, That they took the Custom of *East Retford* to be, That if any Freeman was absent a Year and Day, he did lose his Right to vote : And *Jessop* also said, That there was some Order to that Purpose.

And *Brownlowe* said, he was denied his Vote, being not resident, though he lived but Half a Mile off *Retford* : And *Cotton* said, That one *Popple* could never have a Vote, though he lived within a Quarter of a Mile of *East Retford*.

That the Committee, upon considering the Evidence, and the Order that was produced, came to this Resolution ;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Right of electing Members to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *East Retford*, in the County of *Nottingham*, is as well in the Burgesses non-resident, as in the Burgesses resident, within the said Borough.

That the Petitioner then proceeded to give Evidence of such Persons who had a Right, and would have voted for the Petitioner, and were refused :

And, by the Town Books, it appeared, That *Richard*

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*Bunby, John Hodgkin, William Gabitas, Robert Mason, Geo. Popplewell*, were disfranchised : The first Four was, for Non-residency : The Objection to the others Disfranchisement, was, That it was by the Bailiffs and Aldermen, without the Consent of the Burgesses.

*William Nicholls* said, That *John Leary* was the eldest Son of a Freeman; and was sworn by *William Popplewell*, the junior Bailiff :

And that drew on another Question, of the Qualifications that intitled any Person to his Freedom; the Petitioner's Counsel insisting, That all the Sons of a Freeman, and all such as had served an Apprenticeship, had a Right to their Freedoms : The Sitting Member's Counsel did not controvert the Right by Service; but insisted, That no Person had a Right by Patrimony, but the eldest Son born after his Father was a Freeman.

And thereupon the Petitioner's Counsel called several Witnesses :

*Wm. Bunby* said, That himself, and *Robert Mason*, were both younger Sons of Freemen, and, as such, were made free about 11 Years ago.

*Thomas Moody* said, He was the Second Son of a Freeman, and served an Apprenticeship at *Mansfield*; and that he, and his Two younger Brothers, were made free by his Father's Copy, paying the Court Fees.

*William Moody*, the eldest Son, was called : And confirmed the Testimony of *Thomas Moody* : And said, That *William Smith*, the younger Son of a Freeman, was made free; and that he never knew any Freeman's Son denied, paying the Court Fees.

That as to the Persons so intitled, and refused ;

*William Nicholls* said, That *Martin Colton junior* is the only Son of a Freeman : That *Robert Read, John Hodgkin*, are the eldest Sons of Freemen : That *Thomas Bonifant, John Colton*, and *Savile Atkynson*, were the Sons of Freemen; and besides that, *Savile Atkynson*, has been an Apprentice : That *Bonifant* and *Colton* had demanded their Freedoms, and were sworn by *Popplewell*, the junior Bailiff, in 98; and that all the rest of them had, some Years before this Election, demanded their Freedoms, and would have voted for the Petitioner at the Election :

That it was testified, That there was a Court held since *Michaelmas*; but *Nicholls* said, These Persons durst not offer themselves then, because they had been before threatened to be laid by the Heels, if they did; and one of them, particularly *Tho. Bonifant*, was committed; but it was the Election before this.

*Martin Colton* said, That *John Stevenson* and *Thomas Ryley* had served him 7 Years as his Apprentices, and had demanded their Freedoms, and were denied : The Objection to *Stevenson* was, That, by a Covenant in his Indenture, he was to serve the *London Carrier* as a Porter, as he did before he was bound Apprentice; and accordingly he did attend the said Carrier once a Week, as his Porter : The Objection to *Ryley* was, That the Indentures, by which he claimed his Freedom, were out so long before he asked his Freedom, that they gave a Suspicion.

That there was also *Thomas Clarke*, who had served as an Apprentice Five years to a Freeman, when his Master died; and it was testified, That there was no other of that Trade in Town.

And it was said, That these Persons would have voted for the Petitioner.

That then the Petitioner's Counsel proceeded to give Evidence of indirect Practices :

That it did appear, That at this Election, the Doors were shut, and none but the Freemen resident admitted to be present.

*William Francis* said, That *Mr. Chappell*, Steward to the Duke of *Newcastle*, did Promise him to help him to an Exciseman's Place, if he would be for *Mr. White* : And,

*William Johnson* said, That *Mr. Chappell* did make an Interest for *Mr. White*.

*Stephen Johnson* said, *Richard Warr*, who voted for *Mr. White*, declared, He could not be for *Sir Willoughby*, because he owed a Debt to one *Dunstan*; and, if he

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would vote for Mr. *White*, *Dunston* would forgive him the Debt.

*John Appleby* said, That a Fortnight before *Michaelmas*, Mr. *Reynolds* junior came to his House; and, talking of making Freemen, he said, If the said Mr. *Appleby* would vote for Mr. *Thornhagh*, and his Friend, he would speak to Mr. Bailiff *Jackson* to let him have his Freedom.

*James Clarke* said, That in November, Mr. Bailiff *Jackson* asked him, If he was willing to have his Freedom. To which he answered, Yes; provided he might vote for whom he would: The said *Jackson* replied, If that be your Principle, I have no more to say.

That the Counsel for the Sitting Member insisted, That they should add several to their Poll, and take off several from the Petitioner's Poll; and also shew indirect Practices by the Petitioner.

That, as to the Right and Manner of making free;

*John Reynolds* said, That the Manner of making free was, That such who desired their Freedom, come to the Bailiffs, and make their Request; who bid them acquaint the Aldermen with it; and then, if the Aldermen condescended, next Court they were admitted to their Freedom: That he had known the Corporation between 30 and 40 Years; and no younger Son, to his Knowledge, as such, has been made free. And,

*Wm. Holland* said, That *Martin Colton* came, 23d of September, into Court, to demand his Freedom; and he was told, He might come next Court, and have it. And,

*John Walker* said, That, about 18 or 20 October last, *Martin Colton* declared, That he might have his Freedom; but he would save his Money towards buying a Hat.

*John Reynolds* said, That *Robert Read* was born a Year or Two before his Father took up his Freedom; and he said, He never knew any Person to have any Right to his Freedom, who was born before his Father was free; and that Mr. *Jackson*, for that Reason, came in by Redemption, though the eldest Son of a Freeman, having been refused 9 or 10 Years: And he also said, That they commonly have the Consent of the major Part of the Aldermen, in case of making free; and that he never knew the junior Bailiff hold Court for that Purpose:

That the Answer to *Atkynson*, was, That he had not served out his Time:

That to *Stevenson*, That he had served the Carrier, by Covenant, Part of his Time.

*William Booth* said, That *Thomas Ryley*, 23d of last September, desired his Freedom, and produced Indentures of an old Date; and the Court desired to be satisfied of his Service; and never heard of him since:

That, as to *Clarke*, the Answer was, That he had served but 5 Years.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel proceeded to give Evidence against 4 that had polled for the Petitioner, as having no Vote: And called,

*Wm. Bellamy*, *Wm. Booth*: Who said, That, towards the Middle of last November, they overtook *Edward Fox*, as he was coming from *Teurbury* Market; who said, That when he took *Gabitas'* Shop, it was upon Consideration, that he should vote as Mr. *Wharton* pleased.

*Wm. Booth* said, That *William Buttery* was very poor; and has received 2s. a Year, for several Years, of Mr. *Wharton's* Gift, which was commonly paid in April and May.

*Bellamy* said, That *Geo. Hoskyns* was at *Edward Thompson's* House; and *Bellamy*, drinking Mr. *White's* Health, said, He believed that Mr. *White* was an honest Gentleman; but he owed Mr. *Wharton* and Mr. *Nicholls* Money, and he durst not vote for Mr. *White*, because they would arrest him; and Tears ran down his Face:

That *Martin Colton* receives 20s. a Year of Clerk's Charity; and is a very poor Man; and was excused his Rent by the Corporation, in respect of his Poverty: However, it was acknowledged, That he was free, and had always voted.

That, by way of adding to the Sitting Member's Poll; they called,

Mr. *Lowther*: Who said, That he did, at the Request of Mr. *Tucker*, demand of the Bailiff, that Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *Jessop*, Mr. *Brownlow*, and Mr. *Storrs*, might be polled for Mr. *Thornhagh* and Mr. *White*. And,

Mr. *Jessop* said, That these 4 were all in Town at this Election, and were Freemen, though not resident; and particularly, that Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *Jessop*, and Mr. *Brownlow*, had demanded to be polled:

That, as to the shutting the Doors at this Election, it appeared to have been the Practice to do the like at former Elections.

That then the Sitting Member's Counsel called Witnesses to the Point of Bribery:

*Rebecca Holland* said, That a Week before the Election, Mr. *Nicholls* sent to her Husband to drink a Glass of Ale with him; and that *John Greathead*, of *Worksoppe*, told her, That if she could persuade her Husband to vote for Sir *Willoughby Hickman*, he would give him 10l.; and that *Greathead* told her, Mr. *Nicholls* had sent him to know if her Husband would vote for Sir *Willoughby Hickman*; and said, She might have Twenty Guineas: And that Mr. *Nicholls* asked her, if her Husband did not deal in wild Leather; and told her, If her Husband would be for Sir *Willoughby Hickman*, he should have the Income of Three Parks: That she told her Husband of it the Night before the Election; but her Husband did actually vote for Mr. *White* and Mr. *Thornhagh*.

*William Holland* said, That, the Saturday after Christmas, *John Greathead* told him, He might have Money as well as the rest; and, if he would vote for Sir *Willoughby Hickman*, he would give him 10l. and afterwards he invited the said *Holland* to his House; and told him, He had told *Berry* all; and if he would be for Sir *Willoughby*, he might have 10l. home with him.

*Edward More* said, That, Six Days before the Election, Mr. *Nicholls* sent for him, and asked him, If he wanted Money: To which he answered, That he did want 50l. *Nicholls* said, If he would vote for Sir *Willoughby*, he should have it; and *Luke Fryth* told him, He might have the Close, if he would vote for Sir *Willoughby*, with 40 or 50l. to put him into Stock; which is now taken by another.

*Richard Palfryman* said, That *George Wharton* came to his House, a little before the Election, and desired him to be for Sir *Willoughby*; and he would have given him Money; and that afterwards he was at Mr. *Nicholls'*, and offered Money again; and they put their Hands in their Pockets, but did not shew him any Money.

*Marmaduke Cotton* said, That on 13th February last, Mr. *Nicholls*, Bailiff of the Hospital, came to the Hospital, where he lives, and threatened him, If he concerned himself to tell the Customs of the Town, or any thing else, he should be turned out of the Hospital; and that he has since heard, that his Pay is stopped: However, it was acknowledged, That upon a Quarrel, the said *Cotton* had struck a Man over the Head.

*Thomas Rawson* said, He was threatened if he voted for Mr. *Thornhagh* and Mr. *White*, he should be arrested: and that he did vote for them, and was arrested Three Times the Election Day.

*Bellamy* said, That Mr. *Hoar* the elder, upon 8th January last, came to *Thompson's* House, and said, He was for Sir *Willoughby*, and were for such Gentlemen as were for the Country, and not for the King; for he said, when the Parliament gave 4s. in the Pound, the Country had the Advantage of not more than 2s. 6d.; and he said Mr. *White* should not sit in the House.

*Bellamy*, *Lowther*, said, That Mr. *White* was invited by the Corporation to stand, and desired to be excused: Whereupon the Corporation would have had Mr. *Hewet* to stand; but that Mr. *Hewet* excused himself, for that his Health would not serve: And afterwards Mr. *White* declared, If the Corporation would choose him he would serve: And *Lowther* said, That Application had been made to Mr. *Thornhagh* junior to stand, and he had declined it, before Mr. *White* declared he would stand.

And



And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Thomas White* Esquire, is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *East Retford*, in the County of *Nottingham*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Sir Willoughby Hickman* Baronet, is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *East Retford*.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Right of electing Members to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *East Retford*, in the County of *Nottingham*, is as well in the Burgesses non-resident, as in the Burgesses resident, within the said Borough.

The Second Resolution being read the Second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Thomas White* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *East Retford*, in the County of *Nottingham*;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Mr. Hammond*,  
                                  *Sir Humph. Mackworth*: } 158.

Tellers for the Noes, { *Sir Charles Hotham*,  
                                  *Mr. Moncton*: } 77.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Third Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Sir Willoughby Hickman* Baronet is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *East Retford*.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the Crown do attend this House To-morrow Morning, to amend the Return for the Borough of *East Retford*, in the County of *Nottingham*, by rasing out the Name of *Thomas White* Esquire, and inserting the Name of *Sir Willoughby Hickman* Baronet, in the room thereof.

Preservation  
of Protestant  
Religion.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better Preservation of the Protestant Religion; and for preventing the Translation of Bishops from one See to another; be read a Second time upon To-morrow Sevensnight.

Limitation  
of the  
Crown.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the further Limitation of the Crown; and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject.

Supply Bill;  
Resumption  
of Grants.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* come Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for resuming the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the Sixth Day of February One thousand Six hundred Eighty-four; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii*, 16° die Aprilis;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

Nodes  
Estate.

A BILL for vesting a certain Messuage and Lands in *Stevenage*, in the County of *Hertford*, the Estate of *Richard Nodes*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for making a Provision for his Wife and Children, equal to the Provisions secured to them out of the said Estate; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Mr. Freeman*, *Mr. Scobell*, *Sir Samuel Garrard*, *Mr. Gwynne*, *Mr.*

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*Dryden*, *Mr. Conyers*, *Mr. Yates*, *Mr. Bertie*, *Sir Geo. Hungerford*, *Mr. Shackerly*, *Sir Henry Bunbury*, *Sir Cha. Barrington*, *Mr. Lee*, *Sir Wm. Coryton*, *Mr. Mannaton*, *Mr. Harris*, *Mr. Worsley*, *Mr. Brewer*, *Mr. Bagot*, *Mr. Fuller*, *Mr. Blowfield*, *Sir Sam. Bernardiston*, *Sir Richard Cocks*, *Mr. Pagitt*, *Mr. Mounsteven*, *Sir William Yorke*, *Mr. Yorke*, *Mr. England*, *Sir Edward Turner*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Hertford* and *Essex*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Mr. Vaughan*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable the Right Honourable *Elizabeth Lady Bulkly* to sell certain Lands in the County of *Devon*, and City, and County of the City, of *Exon*, for the Payment of Debts, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents thereunto, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of *Thomas Bennet*, late of *Newton cum Larton*, in the County of *Chester*, in Trustees, for the Use of the Poor of *West Kirby*, pursuant to the Will of the said *Thomas Bennet*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Earl of Dysert*, *Sir Henry Bunbury*, *Mr. Shackerly*, *Mr. Mompesson*, *Sir John Kay*, *Mr. Offley*, *Sir Philip Sydenham*, *Mr. Bertie*, *Sir Samuel Bernardiston*, *Mr. Freeke*, *Mr. Lee*, *Mr. Thompson*, *Mr. Worsley*, *Sir Charles Barrington*, *Mr. England*, *Mr. Blofield*, *Sir William Yorke*, *Mr. Cox*, *Mr. Stonehouse*, *Sir Tho. Mompesson*, *Mr. Dore*, *Mr. Dolben*, *Mr. Brewer*, *Sir Wm. Coriton*, *Sir Henry Goodrick*, *Lord Fairfax*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Chester*, *Lancaster*, and *York*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

A Petition of *Hannah Trevisa*, Widow and Relict of *Peter Trevisa*, late of *Craradon*, in the County of *Cornwall* Esquire, and *Thomas Trevisa*, an Infant of the Age of Fourteen Years, by the said *Hannah Trevisa*, his Guardian, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *William Trevisa* Esquire was seised of several Estates in *Cornwall*; and mortgaged the greatest Part thereof, for 1,700*l.* to *Anthony Rouse* Esquire; which said Mortgage is now vested in one *John Litheby*; and afterwards made his Will, and gave the said Estates to his Brother the said *Peter Trevisa*, and his Heirs: That afterwards the said *Peter Trevisa*, upon his Marriage with the Petitioner *Hannah*, settled some Part of the same Estates, chargeable with an Annuity of One hundred Pounds per Annum, to the Petitioner *Hannah*, for Life, for her Jointure; Remainder to his First and other Sons in Tail; and other Part to his younger Sons and Daughters in Tail; and is since dead; and hath left Issue, by the said *Hannah*, the Petitioner, *Thomas* his eldest Son, *John*, *Peter*, *Henry*, *James*, *Jonathan*, *Grissilla*, and *Theodosia*, other Children: That the said *Litheby* has entered, and got a Decree for a Foreclosure; but is willing, notwithstanding, to accept of his Principal and Interest, if paid in a short time: That, by reason of the Infancy of the Petitioner *Thomas*, the Estate cannot be sold; and the Estates unmortgaged will not answer the Ends of the Settlement, and afford near 100*l.* per Annum Jointure for the Petitioner *Hannah*: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for Sale of the said Estates, as well for raising Monies to discharge the said Mortgage, as for the Maintenance of the Widow, and her Children.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *William Coriton* and Mr. *Mannaton* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Davison's  
Estate.

Sir *William Hustler* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for Sale of the Estate of *William Davison* Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts; and raising Children's Portions, charged thereupon; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true; and that the Persons concerned therein had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Kidd desires  
the Use of  
Documents in  
Custody of  
the Clerk.

The House being informed, That Captain *Kidd* had sent to the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, That he may have the Use of his Commission, and some other Papers, at his Tryal; which Things now lie before the House;

*Ordered*, That the said Commission, and such other Papers as Captain *Kidd* desires, be delivered, by the Clerk of this House, to the Secretary of the Admiralty.

Rosswell's  
Estate.

A Bill for vesting the Estate of *Gervas Rosswell* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold, to pay off the Debts and Incumbrances to which the same is liable; and for making Provision for the Maintenance of the Grand-daughters of the said *Gervas*; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

East Retford  
Return  
amended.

The Clerk of the Crown attended; and, according to Order, amended the Return for the Borough of *East Retford*, in the County of *Nottingham*.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Greenhill* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

*Ordered*, That Sir *William Daines* have Leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Fawconer's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the vesting and settling several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, belonging to *John Fawconer* Esquire in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *England*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Northmore*, Mr. *Moncton*, Mr. *Freeke*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Colonel *Stringer*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Clerk*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Chandler*, Mr. *Andrews*, Mr. *Jercois*, Mr. *Worseley*, Mr. *Nevill*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Lee*, Sir *John Kay*, Mr. *Smith*, Colonel *Leigh*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Phipps*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *Samuel Garrard*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Sir *James How*; and all the Members that serve for the Counties of *Southampton* and *Berks*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Ditto.

A Petition of *Edmund Fawconer*, Inhabitant in the Parish of *Wandsworth*, in the County of *Surry*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill from the Lords, now depending in this House, for vesting and settling several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, belonging to *John Fawconer* Esquire, in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts: That the said Estate is of the yearly Value of 500*l.* per Annum, and the Petitioner next Heir to the same: And praying, That

he may be heard, by his Counsel, against the said Bill, before the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of *Simon Mayne* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That King *Charles* the Second, by Letters Patents, dated 25th June, in the 15th Year of his Reign, did lease unto Sir *William Smith* Baronet, in Trust for *William Beke*, the Tythes of 286 Acres of Land in the Parish of *Dinton*, in the County of *Bucks*, for 31ty Years, at 5*l.* yearly Rent: That the Petitioner did purchase the same of the Assignee of the said *William Beke*; and, at the Expiration of the said Term, applied himself to the Lords of the Treasury for a new Lease; who granted the same for 31ty Years, at the same Rent: And praying, That, since the aforesaid Tythes were no Part of the Crown Lands, but a forfeited Estate, and the Petitioner being a Purchaser upon a valuable Consideration, the House will consider his Case in the Bill for Resuming of Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Mr. *Brewer*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better Performance of the Will of *Henry Apsley* Esquire, deceased: And the same was received.

A Bill for lessening the Number of Attornies and Solicitors; and for regulating their Practice; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Barth. Shower*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Mountague*, Sir *John Kay*, Mr. *Brewer*, Sir *Willoughby Hickman*, Mr. *Eyre*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Sir *Robert Dacres*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Chetwynd*, Sir *W. Hustler*, Sir *Cha. Turner*, Mr. *Walpole*, Lord *Cutts*, Sir *Geo. Hungerford*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Sir *Robert Austin*, Sir *Tho. Powys*, Mr. *Eykins*, Mr. *Masters*, Lord *Edward Russell*, Mr. *Topham*, Mr. *Nevill*, Mr. *Townesend*, Mr. *Duke*, Mr. *Boscawen*, Sir *Christopher Musgrave*, Sir *William Drake*, Sir *John Phillips*, Sir *Thomas Wagstaffe*, Mr. *Chancellor of the Exchequer*, Mr. *Williams*, Sir *Thomas Willoughby*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Fuller*, Sir *Humph. Mackworth*, Mr. *Soames*; and all of the Long Robe: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt be read To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That *John Bubb*, having refused to obey an Order of the Committee of Privileges and Elections, in a Matter which was depending before them, touching the Election for the Borough of *Leominster*, in the County of *Hereford*; and having since abused the Clemency of this House; be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for the same.

A Petition of *Hugh Mason*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, for endeavouring, by Threats and Promises, to procure Mr. *Bransby* to influence the Election of *William Coatsworth* Esquire, to be a Member to serve for the Borough of *Great Grimsby*, was presented to the House, and read; begging Pardon for his Offence, and acknowledging the same: And praying to be discharged from his Confinement.

*Ordered*, That the said *Hugh Mason* be brought to the Bar of this House To-morrow Morning, in order to his Discharge.

Mr.

Address for  
removing  
Lord Somers,  
Earl of  
Orford, &c.

Mr. Bromley reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to draw up an Address, upon the Resolutions Yesterday, and upon the Debate of the House, to be presented to his Majesty, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Most gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons in Parliament assembled, do humbly crave Leave to represent to Your Majesty the great Satisfaction we have, from our late Inquiry concerning the Treaty of Partition, made in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, on which the Treaty in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-nine was founded, to see Your Majesty's great Care of your People, and this Nation, in not entering into that Negotiation without the Advice of Your *English* Counsellors; and find, That *John Lord Somers*, on whose Judgment Your Majesty did chiefly rely in that so important Affair, did, in Concert with *Edward Earl of Orford*, and *Charles Lord Hallifax*, advise Your Majesty to enter into that Treaty, of so dangerous a Consequence to the Trade and Welfare of this Nation; and who, to avoid the Censure which might justly be apprehended to fall on those who advised the same, endeavoured to insinuate, That Your Majesty, without the Advice of your Council, entered into that Treaty; and under Your sacred Name to seek Protection for what themselves had so advised: Of which Treatment of Your Majesty, we cannot but have a just Resentment: And, that they may be no longer able to deceive Your Majesty, and abuse Your People, we do humbly beseech Your Majesty, That you will be pleased to remove *John Lord Somers*, *Edward Earl of Orford*, and *Charles Lord Hallifax*, from Your Council and Presence for ever; as also *William Earl of Portland*, who transacted these Treaties, so unjust in their own Nature, and so fatal in their Consequences to this Nation, and the Peace of *Europe*.

And the Address being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made, by adding "And we humbly crave Leave, upon this Occasion, to repeat our Assurances to Your Majesty, That we will always stand by, and support, Your Majesty, to the utmost of our Power, against all Your Enemies, both at home and abroad."

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House, *Nemine contradicente*.

And another Amendment being proposed to be made, by adding these Words, "And to prevent the ill Consequences that seem to threaten the Peace of *Europe*, and the Interest and Trade of this Nation, by the present Union of *France* and *Spain*;"

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Words be added;

The previous Question was put, That that Question be now put: And

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Lord William Pawlett*, } 120.  
                                  { *Sir Wm. Forester*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. St. John*, } 208.  
                                  { *Colonel Granville*: }

So it passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Address, so amended, to be presented to his Majesty; and is as followeth; viz.

Most gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons in Parliament assembled, do humbly crave Leave to represent to Your Majesty the great Satisfaction we have, from our late Inquiry concerning the Treaty of Partition, made in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, on which the Treaty of One thousand

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Six hundred Ninety-nine was founded, to see Your Majesty's great Care of Your People, and this Nation, in not entering into that Negotiation without the Advice of Your *English* Counsellors; and finding, That *John Lord Somers*, on whose Judgment Your Majesty did chiefly rely in that so important Affair, did, in Concert with *Edward Earl of Orford*, and *Charles Lord Hallifax*, advise Your Majesty to enter into that Treaty, of so dangerous Consequence to the Trade and Welfare of this Nation; and who, to avoid the Censure which might justly be apprehended to fall on those who advised the same, endeavoured to insinuate, That Your Majesty, without the Advice of Your Council, entered into that Treaty; and under Your sacred Name to seek Protection for what themselves had so advised: Of which Treatment of Your Majesty, we cannot but have a just Resentment: And, that they may be no longer able to deceive Your Majesty, and abuse Your People, we do humbly beseech Your Majesty, That You will be pleased to remove *John Lord Somers*, *Edward Earl of Orford*, and *Charles Lord Hallifax*, from Your Council and Presence for ever; and also *William Earl of Portland*, who transacted these Treaties, so unjust in their own Nature, and so fatal in their Consequences to this Nation, and the Peace of *Europe*: And we humbly crave Leave, upon this Occasion, to repeat our Assurances to Your Majesty, That we will always stand by, and support, Your Majesty, to the utmost of our Power, against all Your Enemies, both at home and abroad.

*Ordered*, That such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do humbly know his Majesty's Pleasure, when he will be attended by this House.

Mr. Shepherd being brought, according to Order;

He was brought in to the Bar, by the Serjeant, with the Mace: Where, he being upon his Knees, Mr. Speaker pronounced the Sentence of his being expelled this House.

And he was remanded to the *Tower*: And Mr. Speaker issued his Warrant accordingly.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow at Twelve Supply. a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 17° die Aprilis;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

A BILL to naturalize *Archibald Arthur*, and enable him to settle and dispose of his Estate, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for declaring the Will of *Sir Joseph Herne*, dated the 25th Day of February 1698, to be taken and esteemed the last Will of the said *Sir Joseph Herne*, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. Gower, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for confirming a Decree, made in Chancery, between *John Edwards* Gentleman, complaining against *Sir Francis Charlton* Baronet, and other Defendants: And the same was received.

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A Bill

Mr. Shepherd, a Member, expelled, and remanded to the Tower.

Arthur's Nat.

Herne's Will.

Edwards' Decree in Chancery.

Apsley's  
Will.

A Bill for the better Performance of the Will of *Henry Apsley* Esquire, deceased, was read the First time.  
*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Barrington's  
Estate.

A Bill to enable Sir *Charles Barrington* Baronet to settle a Jointure, and make Provision for his younger Children, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Christopher Musgrave*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Francis Massam*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Halsey*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Sir *John Bland*, Sir *Tho. Wagstaffe*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Holbyn*, Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Moncton*, Colonel *Stringer*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Thynne*, Colonel *Byerly*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Brereton*, Mr. *Jeffries*, Mr. *Markes*, Sir *Will. Villiers*, Mr. *Gwynne*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Wentworth*, Mr. *Bertie*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Norfolk*, *Southampton*, and *Essex*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock, this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Call of the  
House.

*Ordered*, That the House be called over upon *Monday* Sevensnight.

*Ordered*, That such Members as shall not attend the Service of this House, upon the Call thereof, shall be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Grants  
to Queen  
Dowager.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Hewitt*, the Queen Dowager's Auditor, attended, according to Order;

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House an Abstract of the several Grants from the Crown to her Majesty, and her Trustees: And also,

An Abstract of such Reversionary Grants of Lands, now in Jointure to her Majesty, as have been made since the Demise of King *Charles* the Second, and entered before his Majesty's Auditor.

And then withdrew.

And the Title of the said Account was read.

And the Account is as followeth; viz.

Abstracts of the several GRANTS from the Crown to Her said Majesty the Queen Dowager, and Her Trustees; as followeth; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
King <i>Charles</i> the Second, by Letters Patents, bearing Date the 18th of January, in the 15th Year of his Reign, did grant unto his then Royal Consort, the now Queen Dowager, from the Feast of <i>St. Michael</i> the Archangel, which was in the Year of our Lord 1662, for and during her natural Life, as Part of her Jointure, sundry annual or Fee-farm Rents within the Survey of the Exchequer, amounting to the clear yearly Sum of	10,484	8	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
His said Majesty, by other Letters Patents, bearing Date the 30th of June, in the 17th Year of his Reign, did grant unto her said Majesty, and to the Lord <i>Holles</i> and others, her Trustees, sundry annual or Fee-farm Rents; the Honour of <i>Grafton</i> ; and several demiseable Lands within the Survey of the Exchequer and Duchy of <i>Lancaster</i> ; viz. the said annual or Fee-farm Rents to her Majesty, from <i>Lady-day</i> 1664, for her Life; and the Honour of <i>Grafton</i> , and other the said Demesnes, to the Trustees for 99 Years, from <i>Lady-day</i> 1664, aforesaid; in Trust, and for the Use of her said Majesty, during her Life; and afterwards, in Trust for his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors; which annual Fee-farm, and other the said Rents of demiseable Lands, amount to the clear yearly Sum of	12,391	2	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
And, by Indenture Tripartite, made the 31st of July 1672, between the said King's Majesty, of the First Part; and the Earl of <i>St. Albans</i> , and others, surviving Trustees of the Queen Mother, of the Second Part; and the Lord <i>Holles</i> , and others, in Trust for her said Majesty, now the Queen Dowager, of the Third Part; the said Queen Mother's Trustees, by the Command, and with the Consent and Approbation, of his said Majesty, did assign over to the said Queen Dowager's Trustees several Honours, Lordships, Manors, and Lands, as well within the Survey of the Exchequer as of the Duchy of <i>Lancaster</i> , late Parcel of the said Queen Mother's Jointure, for and during the Rest and Residue of several Terms therein mentioned; in Trust for the said Queen Dowager, during her Majesty's Life; and afterwards, for the said King, his Heirs and Successors; the clear yearly Rents of which said several Honours, Lordships, Manors, and Lands last mentioned, amount to, per Annum	6,566	4	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ q.
The Particulars of all which Rents, and Land Revenue, as the same came to, and were valued to her Majesty, are specified in Three Books of Rates thereof made by Sir <i>Charles Harbord</i> , then his Majesty's Surveyor General; of which I have only imperfect Copies, but presume the King's Surveyor General may have more exact ones; amounting to the clear yearly Sum of	29,441	15	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ q.
But, of this, there proving defective	414	14	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
There remains	29,027	0	8 $\frac{1}{2}$ q.

And,

To the Honourable the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, in Parliament assembled.

I N Obedience to your Order, I humbly pray Leave to acquaint this Honourable House, That the Revenue, now in Jointure to her Majesty the Queen Dowager, consists chiefly in Fee-farm Rents; which, or the greatest Part thereof, as I humbly conceive, were, from the Demise of her said Majesty, sold by Act of Parliament, in or about the Year 1672; but I do not find any Deed of such Sale entered before her Majesty's Auditor.

And of the Remainder of her Majesty's Land Revenue, consisting of sundry Manors and Demesnes, I have been informed a great Part hath been granted in Reversion; but there being no Coveuants obliging the Grantees to inroll their Grants with the said Queen's, but rather before the King's Auditor, I have not wherewithal to enable me to lay before this House an Account of the Lands, Rents, and Estates, Parcel of the said Jointure, undisposed of, and of the Reversions, nor have I any Survey or Muniments that set forth the improved yearly Values of any Part thereof; the Business of her Majesty's Auditor having been chiefly to make up her Treasurers, Receivers, Bailiffs, and other Ministers Accounts; I, to inroll such Commissions, Patents, Grants, Leases, Assignments, Deputations, Orders, and the like, as have been granted, executed, and ordered, by her Majesty, and Trustees, her Council Board, Officers, and Servants, pursuant to the Powers to them, from time to time, given by the Crown; insomuch that there hath been only Three Reversionary Grants of any Lands, Parcel of the said Jointure, since the Decease of his late Majesty King *Charles* the Second, entered before the said Auditor; an Abstract whereof is hereunto annexed, and most humbly submitted.

*Rob. Hewitt.*

And, in Obedience to another Order of the 11th Instant, That the Auditor to the Queen Dowager do lay before this House a particular Account of her Majesty's Jointure; and distinguish what Part of it was the Queen Mother's, and what was granted by King *Charles* the Second, and how augmented by King *James* the Second; I do humbly lay before you;



And, to complete and make up her Majesty's Jointure 40,000*l.* per Annum, his said Majesty King *Charles* the Second, by Letters Patents, bearing Date the 20th of December, in the 24th Year of his Reign, did grant to the said Queen, out of the Excise on Beer and Ale, and other Liquors, within the City and Port of *London*, the City of *Westminster*, and Suburbs thereof, the Borough of *Southwark*, and Counties of *Middlesex* and *Surry*, and all other Places within the same, except *South Mims*, the yearly Sum of

£.	s.	d.	Grants to the Queen Dowager.
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			payable quarterly.

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His said late Majesty, by other Letters Patents, dated the 9th of October, in the 26th Year of his Reign, did grant to her said Majesty the yearly Sum of 1,236 *l.* 16 *s.* 1½ *d.* out of the said Excise, in lieu of the like Value of Fee-farm Rents, surrendered, by her Majesty, to the Right Honourable *Thomas* Earl of *Danby*, now Duke of *Leeds*, then Lord High Treasurer of *England*.

And King *James* the Second, by Letters Patents, bearing Date the 17th of June 1685 did grant to her said Majesty, for her natural Life, out of any Monies remaining in the Receipt of Exchequer, not appropriated to particular Uses by Act of Parliament, payable at the Four most usual Feasts, and commencing from *Lady-day* then last past, the yearly Sum of

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*Memorandum* : By Indenture Quadrupartite, made the 26th of April 1687, between the King's Majesty, of the First Part; the said Queen Dowager of the Second Part; the Earl of *Ches-terfield*, and others, surviving Trustees of her said Majesty, of the Third Part; and the Earl of *Feversham* and others, of the Fourth Part; the said surviving Trustees, by the King's Command and Authority, and by Warrant and Command of the said Queen, did assign over the Interests and Estates in them vested, as aforesaid, to the said Earl of *Feversham*, and others, the present Trustees of her said Majesty during her Life; and, afterwards, of the King's Majesty, his Heirs and Successors.

And, for a Palace, King *Charles* the Second, by Letters Patents, dated the 12th of November, in the 21st Year of his Reign, did grant unto her said Majesty, for her Life, that called *Den-marke*, alias *Somerset House*, with the 24ty Tenements, and other Edifices thereunto adjoining or belonging.

All which is most humbly submitted.

16<sup>o</sup> April, 1701.

*Rob. Hewitt.*

An Abstract of such Reversionary Grants of Lands, now in Jointure to her Majesty the Queen Dowager, as have been granted since the Demise of King *Charles* the Second, and entered before her Majesty's Auditor.

in *Hertfordshire*; and to settle other Lands of better Value, in *Kent*, to the same Uses as the Lands in *Hertfordshire* are settled.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

A Grant made by their Majesties King *William* and Queen *Mary*, the 16th of February, in the Third year of their Reign, to *John Penneck* Gentleman, of the Manor of *Ryallton*, and *Retraigh*, alias *Riterth*, and the Hundred of *Petrochshire*, in the County of *Cornwall*; wherein is recited several former Grants made of the said Premises, by King *Charles*, and King *James* the Second, for the Term of 99 Years from the Date, under the yearly Rent of One Hundred and Twenty Pounds.

*Hugh Mason* was, according to Order, brought to the Bar: Where he, upon his Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker.

Privilege—  
a Person re-  
primanded  
and dis-  
charged.

Ordered, That the said *Hugh Mason* be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Mr. *Bruges*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the King-  
dom: And the same was received.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Another Grant, made by their said Majesties, the same Day, to the said *John Penneck*, of several Tin Mines within the Manor of *Ryallton* and *Retraigh*, and Hundred of *Petrochshire*, for Nineteen Years and an half, after the Expiration of One and thirty Years, granted, by King *Charles* the Second, the 26th of February, in the 13th Year of his Reign, to *Sidney* Lord *Godolphin*, from *Lady-day* then last past; rendering therefore a full Fourth part of the clear yearly Profits.

A Petition of *John Haysham*, now in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for having been guilty of corrupt and indirect Practices, in procuring an Election of *Samuel Shepherd* senior, Esquire, to be a Burgess for the Borough of *Newport*, was presented to the House, and read; begging Pardon of the House: And praying, That the House will commiserate his Condition, forgive his Fault, and grant his Enlargement.

Privilege—  
a Person  
petitions for  
Discharge.

Ordered, That the said *John Haysham* be brought to the Bar upon *Thursday* Morning next, in order to his Discharge.

And, the Third and last, a Grant, made by their said Majesties, the 17th of June, in the Fifth Year of their Reign, to *George Sayer*, and *John Sayer*, Esquires, of the Manor of *Muchland*, cum *membris*, in the County of *Lancaster*, valued to her Majesty the Queen Dowager, at the clear yearly Rent of 137 *l.* 18 *s.* 11½ *d.* for Ninety-nine Years from the Decease of the said Queen Dowager, under the yearly Rent of Ten Shillings.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Supply Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Mr.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Dr. *Newton*:

Mr. Speaker,

Pynyot's, &c.  
Nat.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Jacob Augustine Pynyot*, and others: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House: Also,

Marsham's  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Sir *Robert Marsham* Knight and Baronet to dispose of Lands

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Half-pay.

Mr. *Conyers* acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move the House, That a Committee may be appointed to inspect the Papers before the House, relating to Half-pay.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to inspect the Papers before the House, relating to Half-pay:

And it is referred to Sir *Christ. Musgrave*, Mr. *Worsely*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Cowper*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Hampden*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Sir *Robert Marsham*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Boyle*, Mr. *Compton*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Mr. *Gulston*, Earl of *Dysert*, Mr. *Blaithwaite*, Mr. *Howe*, Mr. *Gwynne*, Mr. *Bere*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *John Packington*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Bridges*, Colonel *Stringer*, Colonel *Granville*, Sir *Tho. Merce*, Mr. *Winnington*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Colonel *Byerly*, Sir *Theop. Oglethorp*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Taylor*, Colonel *Soagne*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Ways and Means.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Stout's Petition.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Mary Stout* be read upon *Tuesday* Sevensnight, in a full House.

Limitation of the Crown.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the further Limitation of the Crown; and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject.

Insolvent Debtors.

Ordered, That the Bill for Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt be read upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

And then the House adjourned till *Wednesday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 23° die Aprilis;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

## PRAYERS.

Box's Divorce.

AN ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Ralph Box* with *Elizabeth Eyre*; and to enable him to marry again; was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Trevisa's Estate.

Mr. *Mannaton*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for discharging a Mortgage upon the Estate of *Peter Trevisa* Esquire, deceased; and providing a Maintenance for his Widow and Children: And the same was received: and read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Sale of Lands in South Pickenham.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the vesting and settling certain Manors and Lands in *South Pickenham*, and other Places, in the County of *Norfolke*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for laying out the Money arising by Sale thereof in the Purchase of other Lands, to be settled to, such and the same Uses as the said Manors and Lands, so to be vested, are and stand settled; was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Hopkins*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Gauntlett*, Mr. *Crosse*, Sir *Thomas Littleton*, Mr. *Clarke*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Fleming*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *England*, Dr. *Dave-nant*, Mr. *Fuller*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Sir *Bryan Stapleton*, Mr. *Bridgman*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Sir *William Yorke*, Mr. *Yorke*, Sir *James Howe*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Pinnell*, Mr. *Eyre*, Mr. *Rudge*, Mr. *Herne*, Mr. *Ward*, Mr. *Champneys*; and all that serve for the County of *Norfolke*: And they are to meet To-morrow in the Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dunch* have Leave to go into the Country for a Week, upon extraordinary Occasions.

A Petition of *David Pellhill* Esquire was presented to Sandwich the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election. Election of a Com-Baron to serve in this Parliament for the Port of *Sandwich*, in the room of Sir *Henry Furness*, *John Mitchell* Esquire, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates: That the said Mr. *Mitchell*, by Bribery, at the former Election for this present Parliament, and, after the Teste of the last Writ, by Threats, and other indirect Practices, procured a Majority of Votes; and is returned Com-Baron, contrary to Justice, and in Injury to the Petitioner: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Julius Samborn*, of *Andover*, in the County of *Southampton*, now in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for being concerned in corruptly exposing to Sale the Election of a Burgess for *Andover*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth his Grief for his having been so unfortunate as to incur the Displeasure of this House: And praying, That he may be restored to his Liberty, that he may be able to follow his Employment, for the Support of himself, and his Family.

Ordered, That the said *Julius Samborn* be brought to the Bar of this House To-morrow Morning, in order to his Discharge.

A Petition of *Joseph Wimbleton*, of *Andover*, in the County of *Southampton*, now in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for being concerned in corruptly exposing to Sale the Election of a Burgess for *Andover*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth his Grief for his having been so unfortunate as to incur the Displeasure of this House: And praying, That he may be restored to his Employment, for the Support of himself, and his Family.

Ordered, That the said *Joseph Wimbleton* be brought to the Bar of this House To-morrow Morning, in order to his Discharge.

A Petition of *Edward Wareham*, of *Andover*, in the County of *Southampton*, now in the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for being concerned in corruptly exposing to Sale the Election of a Burgess for *Andover*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth his Grief for having been so unfortunate as to incur the Displeasure of this House: And praying, That he may be restored to his Employment, for the Support of himself and Family.

Ordered, That the said *Edward Wareham* be brought to the Bar of this House To-morrow Morning, in order to his Discharge.

A Petition of *Charles Bransby* and *John Newarke*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for being guilty of distributing Money, and other indirect Practices, to procure *Arthur Moor* Esquire to be elected a Member for the Borough of *Great Grimsby*, was presented to the House, and read; begging Pardon for their said Offence, and acknowledging the same: And praying, that they may be discharged from their Confinement.

Ordered, That the said *Charles Bransby* and *John Newarke* be brought to the Bar of this House To-morrow Morning, in order to their Discharge.

A Petition of *Samuel Hunt* Carpenter, *John Chaplyn* Joiner, *William Oram* Plasterer, *George Backhouse* Glazier, and *Edward Salisbury* and *Joshua Linnet*, Executors of *Thomas Martyn*, Painter, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners did perform several Works for Mr. *Thomas Price*, Goldsmith, towards building several Houses in *Porter Street*, and *Litchfield Street*, in the Parish of *St. Ann's Westminster*: That the said Mr. *Price* being indebted to King James



him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Committees. *Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 24° die Aprilis;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

*ARCHIBALD* Arthur, *Dirke Wittenoon*, *Justus Beck*, *Thomas Beaurau*, *Jo. Hen. Venpoorton*, and *Nic. Garritt*, took the Oaths appointed, in order to their Naturalization.

Bigg's  
Estate.

Sir *John Kay*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill, to enable *Richard Bigg* to charge Part of his Estate, in the County of *Buckingham*, with the Payment of his Debts: And the same was received.

Trade, and  
Courts of  
Justice, in  
Plantations.

Mr. *Pryor*, from the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations, presented to the House their Answer, concerning Trade, and Courts of Justice, in the Plantations, pursuant to the Order of the 2d of April Instant:

And the Title thereof was read:

And the Answer is as followeth; *viz.*

IN Obedience to an Order of this Honourable House, dated the 2d of this Instant April, requiring from us an Account of what Complaints have been made to us in relation to the Trade, or Courts of Justice, in the several Plantations in *America*, whether in the Proprietary Governments, or elsewhere; and what we have done thereupon; we humbly offer;

In the Plantations under his Majesty's immediate Government.

*Barbados*. A Complaint made by the Commissioner of his Majesty's Customs at *Bridge-town* in *Barbadoes*, to the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury, having been referred to our Consideration; and finding thereby, That he, and other Officers of the Customs in *Barbadoes*, by their Diligence in making Seizures, upon some Violations of the Acts for Trade and Navigation, had made themselves Enemies, and laboured under Difficulties in the Execution of their Trusts; but that, by the Countenance of the Governor, they had been enabled to proceed in discharging their Trust; we found it absolutely necessary, that not only the Officers of the Customs, but those also of the Admiralty, should be very particularly recommended to the respective Governors of all his Majesty's Plantations: And accordingly we humbly proposed to their Excellencies the then Lords Justices, That they would be pleased to sign circular Letters, which we prepared, to the said Governors, and especially to those in Propriety and Charter Governments, requiring them to give constant Protection, and all due Encouragement to the said Officers, in the Discharge and Execution of their respective Duties: And the said Letters were accordingly dispatched.

It having been represented to us by the Executors of Sir *Peter Colleton*, That Mr. *James Colleton*, of *Barbadoes*, Brother to the said Sir *Peter*, had, upon his Brother's Death, seized his Estate in that Island, and converted it to his own Use; and that they the said Executors, having brought their Actions against him, could not obtain

Redress, by reason that he, the Party concerned, was Judge in the Precincts where the Controversy was depending; we thereupon gave Directions to the President and Council of that Island, the Governor being then dead, That they should appoint some other impartial Judge to hear and determine that Matter; and further take care, that no Person should either be Judge in his own Case, or, by being Judge in any Precinct where Matters in Controversy between him and others lie, should have it in his Power to obstruct the Course of Justice: But, having some time after been informed by the said Executors, That they had not obtained Relief, we represented the Matter to their Excellencies the Lords Justices; and, Mr. *Grey* being then constituted Governor of that Island, we wrote to him by their Excellencies Order, to the same Effect; and, in Answer thereunto, have received from him a Certificate signed by the Attornies of the foresaid Executors there, declaring; That, though their Suit had been tedious, yet they could not charge Judge *Colleton* with making any Use of his Authority in causing those Delays; but that they imputed them to the Death of the late Governor Colonel *Russell*, and the Changes that had ensued in the Commissions of Judges.

And, to the end that a strict and continual Care might be taken in all Matters relating to the Administration of Justice in that Island, we sent to Mr. *Grey* the following Directions; *viz.*

That he should send to us a Copy of the Register and Minutes of the Chancery; and of the Minutes and Business done at a Court of Errors; since his Arrival in that Island:

That he should send a particular Account, and List, of all Causes that now stand entered in the Chancery, or are depending there; and how long each of them has been so depending:

An Account, likewise, specifying each Day of the Month that a Court of Chancery, and Court of Errors, hath been held; and how many successive Days that Court has at any time continued to sit since his Arrival in that Government: In which Account the Proceedings of each Day are also to be severally set down; and the Names of such Members of Council, as attended each Day, inserted:

An Account how many final Decrees have been made there since his Arrival; how many Injunctions granted, how many dissolved, and how many remain still in Force.

And whereas by an Act of that Island, made in the Year 1661, the Five several Courts of Common Law have certain Days appointed for their Sitting; That we expected from him a particular Account, how many of the said Days each of those Courts had sat since his entering upon that Government, together with an Account of the Business they have done each Day, copied from their Minutes: These Accounts to be fully and plainly given by the Registers, or other proper Officers, of the respective Courts, and sufficiently attested:

And that we further expected, That for the future, he should hold the Court of Chancery as often, and for so long time, as should be requisite for Dispatch of the several Causes depending before that Court; and that an exact Account should be always kept of the Names of such of the Council as do give their Attendance during the Sitting of the said Court; so that the Register, or other proper Officer, may be able to give a particular Account thereof on Oath, from time to time, if the same shall be required: To all which Heads we are expecting his Answers.

A Petition having since been presented to his Majesty, in the Name of *John Loder* Esquire, and others; complaining of a great Neglect in holding Courts of Chancery in that Island, and Want of Dispatch of Business in those Courts; which his Majesty was pleased to refer to our Consideration; we thereupon directed, and instantly required, Mr. *Grey* to be more careful in the Expediting of

of Justice; and to hold Courts of Chancery, without any Recess or Intermission, till all the Causes depending there should be determined.

About the same time, also, Two other Petitions having been presented to his Majesty, the one by *Isaac Marchins*, the other by *Thomas Hodges*, Esquires; containing, in like manner, great Complaints of Delays, and undue Proceedings, in the Courts of Justice in *Barbadoes*; upon which his Majesty was pleased to require us to examine those Matters; and to report what we conceive proper to be done therein; we made our Report accordingly; and further proposed, That his Majesty would be pleased, by Letters under his Royal Signature, to give Directions to Mr. *Grey* for the Redress of all Irregularities of that Nature: Which Letters were prepared by us, and sent; being as follows:

WILLIAM R.

Trusty and Well-beloved, We greet you well. Whereas *John Loder*, *Isaac Hawkins*, and *Thomas Hodges*, Esquires, in behalf of themselves, and others, have, by their humble Petitions, severally laid before Us divers Complaints of great Delays, and undue Proceedings, in the Courts of Justice in Our Island of *Barbadoes*; in the setting forth whereof they have offered to prove, That there were lately about 800 Causes depending at one time in Two of the Courts of Common Pleas in that Island; besides what more might be depending in the Three other Courts of the same Kind, whereof they had not been yet informed; and have imputed this Disorder, amongst other Causes, to the Partiality of some Persons appointed to sit in the Judicatories of the said Island, who are themselves much indebted; have many Suits depending against them; and are thereby frequently interested, either directly, or by Consequence, in the Issue of the Suits that are brought before them: And whereas it has been further represented by the said Petitioners, That the Method practised in the Courts of Chancery, in determining Controversies, and pronouncing Decrees, is very irregular; and that the Neglect in holding those Courts, and the Want of Dispatch of Business there, have been such, that there has been sometimes but one Court held in the Space of 8 or 9 Months, and very little done in it since your entering upon that Government; so that there are more than 300 Causes depending, in the said Court, many of which are of several Years standing: And also that, since your being there, not any Court of Error did sit in Two Years Time; by which Means all Judgments at Common Law, whereon Writs of Error have been brought, were stayed from Execution: All which Delays, and undue Proceedings, do tend to the very great Prejudice of the Petitioners, and other Suitors: And it being highly necessary, that all Irregularities of this Nature, which are so grievous to Our Subjects, be reformed; and that, the Grounds of all such Complaints being thoroughly inquired into, effectual Care be taken, that they be, for the future, intirely removed; We have, in order thereunto, directed Our Commissioners for Trade and Plantations to transmit unto you the Copies of the foresaid Petitions, and of the Memorials offered thereupon, for your Answers, not only to the particular Cases of the Petitioners, but also to the more general Complaints afore-mentioned: And We do further hereby will and require you to take especial Care, that no Person interested in the Suits depending in any of the Courts of Our said Island be appointed or permitted to sit as Judge in the Causes wherein they are concerned: That Justice be every where duly and speedily administered: That the Complainants have such Redress as is agreeable to Law: And that you do yourself constantly hold Courts of Chancery, until all the Causes there be determined. We do likewise hereby declare Our Royal Will and Pleasure, That no Members of our Council in that Island be exempted from any Prosecution, in Law or Equity, for the Payment of their just Debts, except only during the time that the General Assembly of Our said Island shall be sitting; which you are accordingly to declare unto them: And, for the better Observance of Our Directions in all this Matter, as well as for the Satisfaction of all Persons

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concerned, you are to cause Entry to be made of this Letter in Our Council Books. So We bid you Farewel. Given at Our Court at *Kensington*, the 16th Day of March 1700-1 in the Thirteenth Year of Our Reign.

By his Majesty's Command,

*Ja. Vernon.*

And whereas it has been alleged, That Presents made by the General Assemblies of Plantations, to Governors, have sometimes been a Temptation to them to defer or pervert Justice; and there being Two Acts of the General Assembly of *Barbadoes* before us, for Presents to the Governor, which, by his Instructions, he is not permitted to receive without his Majesty's Leave first obtained; we have suspended our Report upon those Acts, until we be further satisfied how the Governor has discharged his Duty in all Matters relating to the Administration of Justice.

*Bermuda.* The Disorders in the *Bermuda Islands* having been considered by us, both in respect to Trade, and to the the Administration of Justice; Two Lieutenant Governors of the said Islands, viz. Captain *John Goddard*, and Mr. *Samuel Day*, have, upon the Representations we made of the Irregularities of their Conduct in those Matters, been recalled; and, upon the constituting of Captain *Benjamin Bennet* to be Governor, we have, in the Instructions which he has received from his Majesty, inserted such Clauses as may tend to reform the Abuses which his Predecessors have been guilty of.

*Leeward Islands.* As to the *Leeward Islands*, some Inconveniencies having arisen in the Administration of Justice, by reason that some of the Judges or Assistants of the inferior Courts have also been Members of the Council of that Island, where the Governor usually resided; which is the supreme Court for hearing and determining Appeals from all the others; we prepared an Instruction, which his Majesty was accordingly pleased to give to Colonel *Codrington*, the present Governor, for Reforming of that Irregularity: And before his going over, a Complaint having been brought to us, in the Name of divers Inhabitants of *St. Christopher's*, against Captain *James Norton*, Lieutenant Governor of the *English Part* of that Island, for several Oppressions, Exactions, and illegal Practices, we directed Colonel *Codrington*, by Order of the Lords Justices, to inquire into those Matters: And he has now acquainted us, That, upon a full and impartial Hearing, the Substance of those Complaints, especially in respect to Breaches of the Acts of Trade, had been proved against the said *Norton*; and that he had thereupon suspended him from the Office of Lieutenant Governor.

He complains also of some Irregularities in Trade, especially of a private Trade with the *French Islands*, in those Parts; whereby the Islands under his Government are clandestinely supplied with all sorts of *French* Commodities, and the Consumption of *English* Commodities is very much hindered: Which Abuses he promises to take all possible Care to reform.

*Jamaica.* As to *Jamaica*, the Governor of that Island has represented to us the People's Uneasiness under the Restraint laid upon them by the Acts of Trade and Navigation; and their Desire of a greater Liberty in Trade than is consistent with the Interest of *England*; which they observe to be practised in the neighbouring Plantations, under Proprietors: But he has, in pursuance of our frequent Recommendations, assured us of his Care, that those Acts be strictly complied with.

He has often acquainted us, That the Inhabitants, and more especially the seafaring Men, of that Island, complained much of the irregular Proceedings of some Commanders of his Majesty's Ships, in pressing Men: Which having been represented, by us, to his Majesty, Regulations have been made, and Directions given, by the Lords of the Admiralty, for the Conduct of the Commanders of his Majesty's Ships, in reference to the Pressing of Seamen throughout all the Plantations.

And he has further informed us, That the Insinuations continually made, by the Proprietary Colonies on the Continent, of the great Liberties and Exemptions they enjoy under those Governments, and of the Advantages they

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they make by receiving Pirates, had enticed away much People from *Jamaica*; and tended greatly to the Prejudice of that Island.

*Virginia.* From *Virginia* some Complaints have been made to us, That the Members of the Council of that Colony were not subject to Prosecutions at Law, for the Payment of their just Debts; and that other Inconveniencies had ensued, as well in relation to Trade as Justice, by the Methods settled, and ordinarily practised, in the Administration of that Government: Whereupon we offered to their Excellencies the Lords Justices the Draught of several Instructions, which we conceived proper to remedy what appeared to us not fit to be allowed; together with the particular Reasons that moved us to propose each Alteration: And those Instructions were accordingly given, by their Excellencies, to Colonel *Nicholson*, at his First Entrance upon that Government.

*Maryland.* Upon Complaints also, from *Maryland*, of Inconveniencies in the Methods of administering that Government, and the Want of some further Provision for preventing undue Practices both in Trade, and in the Course of Justice; in order to the Remedying thereof, we offered to their Excellencies several Alterations to be made in the Governor's Instructions: Which were accordingly given to Colonel *Blakiston*, together with the Commission for the Government of that Province.

*New York.* As to *New York*, the Governor of that Province, the Earl of *Bellomont*, having transmitted to us great Complaints of the Irregularities that he found there, especially with respect to illegal Trade, and Piracy; and having also acquainted us, how, upon the Evidence he received, that some Members of his Majesty's Council, and others in Places of Trust there, were engaged in carrying on such Practices, he had, in pursuance of his Instructions, suspended several Persons from their Employments, and put in others to officiate in their stead, till his Majesty's Pleasure were known; we represented the same to their Excellencies the Lords Justices; and further proposed what we thought necessary for reforming the Abuses there; which was according approved by their Excellencies: The Earl of *Bellomont's* Proceedings in the Change of Officers was confirmed; and Directions were given him to continue his Endeavours in the further rectifying those Disorders.

Since which time, some Merchants of *New York* presented to his Majesty a Petition; complaining, That the Earl of *Bellomont* being Governor of *New England*, as well as of *New York*, and having been absent from *New York*, the common Course of Justice was retarded, Trade decayed, and the Industry of the Planter discouraged, in that Province: But, soon after that Petition was presented, we had an Account of his Lordship's Return to *New York*, where he has ever since resided: And we find, by the Entry of the Customs, That the Trade there is increased, and in a thriving Condition.

As to the Administration of Justice; upon his Lordship's complaining of the Want of Persons, in that Province, fitly qualified; and desiring that . . . Chief Justice and Attorney General might be sent from hence; his Majesty has been pleased to appoint such Officers; who are now upon their Voyage: And they are further authorized by Admiralty Commissioners, the one to be Judge, and the other Advocate General, in the Admiralty Courts, both there, and in the neighbouring Colonies.

*New Hampshire.* Not long after our Entrance upon this Commission, we had great Complaints of a Disorder in the Province of *New Hampshire*, occasioned by a Difference between the Lieutenant Governor, and some Members of the Council there, who forcibly displaced him, and had assumed the Government in his stead: Which we accordingly represented to the Lords Justices: But, that Difference being terminated by the Earl of *Bellomont's* Commission, which superseded their Authorities, or pretended Authorities, on both Sides; and their Heats having been in good measure allayed by his Presence amongst them; we have not since had any Complaint about the Administration of Justice there, until

within these very few Days, that his Majesty has required us to consider, and report our Opinion, upon a Petition from Mr. *Samuel Allen*; complaining, That the superior Court of Judicature had denied to admit his Appeal from a Verdict and Judgment there given against him the 13th August 1700; and praying, That his Majesty would please to direct, That his Appeal should be admitted: Which is a Matter of great Weight, relating to the Right of Property, and that whole Province; and is at present under our Examination.

The Trade of that Province is not considerable: The chief Port *Piocataway* lies very convenient for carrying on a Fishery; but the Inhabitants neglect it, the Woods affording them a more easy Gain, by cutting down Timber, and carrying it not only to *England*, but to *Spain* and *Portugall*; which Trade is not prohibited by Law, as we have lately offered to this Honourable House; but does, however, deserve to be brought under due Regulations, by a Clause in some Act of Parliament, that shall pass, relating to Trade.

*Newfoundland* The Trade and Fishery of *Newfoundland* being carried on without any settled Colony, we have nothing to offer concerning the Administration of Justice there: But we humbly offer, That we have had many Informations of Irregularities practised by the Masters of Ships, and others, who resort thither in the Fishing Season; which we endeavour to redress by Instructions given to the Commanders of the Convoys going thither: The enumerated Plantation Commodities, especially Tobacco and Sugar, which ought not to be transported to any foreign Parts, without having been first landed in *England*, are frequently carried thither, and sold to the Fishing Ships, who carry them directly to *Italy*, *Spain*, and *Portugal*, to the great Prejudice of his Majesty's Revenue in the Customs, which ought to be paid here: And, on the other Side, *European* Commodities are carried thither from foreign Parts, and sold to the Plantation Ships trading there; who disperse them, at their Return, in the several Plantations whither they are bound, contrary to Law, and to the great Prejudice of this Kingdom; for which there may be some Remedy likewise by a Clause in an Act of Parliament.

#### PROPRIETIES.

In relation to Proprieties, and Charter Governments.

*Massachuset Bay.* The Inhabitants of the *Massachusetts Bay* are guilty of carrying on illegal Trade: Their Courts of Justice have been very partial in protecting it: They have refused to admit Appeals to his Majesty from Judgments in those Cases; and the very Members of his Majesty's Council there have openly declared their Averseness to the Laws of *England*.

Though that Colony be under the Inspection of a Governor appointed by his Majesty's Commission; yet the Power of that Governor is so tied up by their pretended Privileges, and by their not settling any fixed Maintenance either upon him, or other Funds, for occasional Services; his Authority, and his very Subsistence amongst them, are so precarious; that it is impossible for him, as the Case now stands, to make any considerable Step towards their Reformation.

*Rhode Island.* The Irregularities and Misdemeanors of the Government of *Rhode Island* have been so great, that we thought it incumbent upon us to represent to his Majesty the Necessity of granting a Commission for making a particular Inquiry thereinto: The Earl of *Bellomont* accordingly went thither; but found such a Reception, by their opposing his Majesty's Authority, and the Acts of Trade and Navigation, that no good Effect could be obtained from that Commission; they pretending, by their Charter, to be independent on the Government of *England*: Which we accordingly represented to his Majesty in Council.

*Connecticut.* *Connecticut* Colony, which lies next, besides the Irregularities common to them with other Proprieties, are more directly guilty of refusing to admit Appeals to *England*. Upon the Petitions of *John* and *Nicolas Hallam*, and



and of *Edward Palmes* and *John Hallam*, Inhabitants of that Colony, complaining of Obstruction of Justice there, we did write, by his Majesty's Order in Council, to the Governor and Company of that Colony; asserting his Majesty's Right to receive and determine Appeals from all his Colonies in *America*, and requiring them to admit Appeals from thence: But we have since understood, by another Petition presented to his Majesty by the said *John* and *Nicolas Hallam*, and by other Informations received from thence, that our Letter, with his Majesty's foresaid Order, having been duly delivered, and an Appeal accordingly demanded, the superior Court of that Charter Government did peremptorily refuse the same; and that the Governor, who is one of the Judges of the said Court, did publickly declare, That no Appeals should be allowed from thence to his Majesty in Council.

*East and West New Jersey.* The Colonies of *East* and *West New Jersey* are at present in utter Confusion: There being no Governor in *East Jersey*; and the pretended Governor in *West Jersey* being neither approved by the King nor acknowledged as Governor by the Generality of the People; some of the Proprietors have thereupon proposed to surrender their pretended Right of Government to his Majesty; but, others insisting upon it, nothing could yet be done sufficient for the Settling of any orderly Government amongst them, nor for preventing unlawful Trade.

*Pensylvania.* The Complaints against Mr. *Markham*, Lieutenant Governor of *Pensylvania*, for the Harboursing and Protecting of Pirates; and against the whole Government of that Colony, for their Opposition to the Court of Admiralty erected there, as in other Places, pursuant to the late Act of Parliament for preventing Frauds, and regulating Abuses, in the Plantation Trade; have been very great: But Directions having been given, by their Excellencies the Lords Justices, to Mr. *Penn*, upon his going thither, for the Reforming of those Disorders, we received afterwards an Account from Colonel *Quary*, Judge of his Majesty's Admiralty Court there, as well as from Mr. *Penn* himself, That he had made several Advances in what had been required from him: Nevertheless we have of late again received Complaints from Colonel *Quary*, That Mr. *Penn*, by granting Commissions to all the Sheriffs of Counties to be Water Bailiffs, had broke into the Admiralty Jurisdiction, and invaded the Powers thereof; and, by denying the Admiralty any Right of Jurisdiction within the Body of the Province, had, in effect, taken it wholly away: We have likewise had fresh Informations, from Colonel *Quary*, of private Trade between *Pensylvania*, and *Curassaw*, a *Dutch* Plantation, carried on chiefly by *Scotchmen*, who clandestinely and illegally export Tobacco, and import such great Quantities of Iron, Linen, Wine, and other *European* Commodities, that they are sold there as cheap as in *England*.

As to Pirates; several Persons, who have themselves been formerly suspected of Piracy, are settled near the Capes of *Delaware River*: These Persons, when *Kid* was there, received his Boats, and supplied him: They went on board him constantly, and took on Shore Quantities of *East India* Goods: Mr. *Penn* has imprisoned these Men; and seized some of the Goods, which, as he informs us, shall be sent over.

*Carolina*, and the *Bahama Islands*. As to *Carolina*, and the *Bahama Islands*; the Misbehaviour and ill Conduct of the Governors and Inhabitants of those Colonies, in harbouring and protecting *Every*, and other Pirates, is notorious.

In relation to Trade; we have, amongst other Irregularities of this Propriety Government, had Information of a Practice of conveying Tobacco privately out of *Virginia* into *North Carolina*, and from thence carrying it to *New England*, and other Charter Plantations, without paying the Duty of One Penny per Pound established by Law.

The Governor of *Virginia* has also complained to us, That, though Endeavours have been several times used to fix the Boundaries between them and *North Carolina*, it had not yet been effected; and that, when Commissioners

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had been appointed on both Sides to treat, yet nothing could be concluded, because the pretended Governor of *North Carolina*, who appointed those Commissioners, was not himself duly qualified by Law.

As for the Course of Justice; a Complaint having been laid before his Majesty, by some Merchants of *London*, Owners and Freighters of a Vessel called the *Cole and Bean Galley*, of the unjust Proceedings of the Admiralty Court of *South Carolina*, in condemning their said Ship and Cargo, and refusing to admit an Appeal to his Majesty from that Sentence; his Majesty was pleased to refer the same to our Consideration: And we thereupon humbly proposed, as the most proper Means for the Petitioners Relief, That they might be admitted to appeal from thence to his Majesty in Council.

As to the Propriety and Charter Governments in general; no Governor whereof has qualified himself according to the late Act of Parliament, except the Governor of the *Bahama Islands*; for whose good Behaviour Security has been refused to be given by the Proprietors, their Independency making it absolutely necessary that some speedy and effectual Care be taken to render them more subservient and useful to this Kingdom; we humbly refer ourselves to our Report, dated the 27th March last, wherein we humbly represented to the Honourable House, That the Charters of the several Proprietors, and others, intitling them to absolute Government, be reassumed to the Crown; and those Colonies put into the same State and Dependency as these of his Majesty's other Plantations, without Prejudice to any Man's Freehold or Property; which, we conceive, cannot otherwise be well effected than by the legislative Power of this Kingdom.

All which being offered by us in pursuance of the Order of this Honourable House;

The same is most humbly submitted.

Stamford, Lexington,  
Whitehall, April 23d, Ph. Meadows, Wm. Blathwayt,  
1701. John Pollerfen, Abr. Hill,  
Mat. Prior.

Ordered, That the said Answer do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

A Petition of *John Story*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, for being guilty of distributing Money, and other indirect Practices, in order to the Election of *William Coatesworth* Esquire a Member for the Borough of *Great Grimsby*, was presented to the House, and read; acknowledging his Offence, and begging Pardon for the same: And praying, That he may be discharged from his Confinement.

Privilege—  
A Person  
petitions for  
Discharge.

Ordered, That the said *John Story* be brought to the Bar of this House To-morrow Morning, in order to his Discharge.

Ordered, That Mr. Serjeant *Coward* have Leave to go into the Country for Fourteen Days, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Leave of  
Absence.

A Petition of *George Clayton*, Mayor of the Borough of *Grimsby*, in the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, for being guilty of Bribery, and other indirect Practices, in procuring the Election of *William Coatesworth* Esquire a Member for the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; acknowledging his Fault, and begging Pardon for the same: And praying to be discharged.

Privilege—  
A Person  
petitions for  
Discharge.

Ordered, That the said *George Clayton* be brought to the Bar of this House To-morrow Morning, in order to his Discharge.

A Petition of divers Merchants, and others, trading in Lead in and about the City of *London*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners conceive the Bill now depending in this Honourable House, for settling and ascertaining the Tythes of Lead-ore in the County of *Derby*, if the same should pass into an Act, would not only discourage the Manufacturers from making such Quantities as they now do, but will hinder

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the Consumption of it here at home, and the Exportation of it abroad; And praying, That the said Bill may not pass into an Act.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Tythe of  
Lead-ore.

A Petition of *Thomas White Esquire, William Hodgkinson, Richard Burbridge, Antony Woodhouse, and Joseph Hodgkinson*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners having undertaken to drain many ancient Mines within the Parish of *Ashover*, in the County of *Derby*, which were so drowned, the Owners thereof could have no Benefit thereby; and, for such their Pains, were to take the Ore there gotten to their own Uses, reserving to the several Owners certain Shares of the said Ore, when gotten: That, by a Bill now depending in this Honourable House, for settling and ascertaining the Tythes of Lead-ore in the County of *Derby*, their said Work will be liable to pay a Tythe or Tenth Part, which was never yet paid: And praying, a Clause may be inserted in the said Bill, for exempting the said Mines from Payment of Tythe Lead-ore.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Privilege—  
A Person pe-  
titions for  
Discharge.

A Petition of *Jeremy Boreman*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, for being guilty of distributing Money, and other indirect Practices, in order to the Electing of *William Coatesworth Esquire* a Member for the Borough of *Grimshy*, was presented to the House, and read; acknowledging his Offence, and begging Pardon for the same: And praying to be discharged out of Custody.

*Ordered*, That the said *Jeremy Boreman* be brought to the Bar of this House To-morrow Morning, in order to his Discharge.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That *Sir Charles Pye* have Leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, his Family being very ill.

St. Martin's  
Parish  
Estate.

A Petition of the Vicar and Churchwardens, and other Inhabitants, of the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields* within the Liberty of *Westminster*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *King James the First*, and *King Charles the First*, by several Letters Patents, did grant unto the said Parish a certain Piece of Ground, containing One Acre, with the Buildings thereupon, lying near his Majesty's *Mews*, to the Intent that Part of the said Ground should be used and employed for a Church-yard; and the Rents and Profits of the Buildings be disposed for the Relief of the Poor of that Parish for ever: That the said Buildings are become so ruinous, that they must shortly be pulled down: That a certain Passage called *Hemming-row*, adjoining to the said Church-yard, is so narrow, that Two Coaches, meeting, cannot pass by each other: That, by taking a little Slip out of the said Acre of Ground, and laying the same into the said Passage, the same will be made more commodious, and the Front Ground will be of more Value: That the present Archbishop of *Canterbury* hath some time since, at his own Charge, erected a large Brick Building for a Library, and a Free School; and endowed the same: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for empowering the said Vicar and Churchwardens to grant Leases to Builders, of such Part of the said Ground as is improveable; and for laying some other Part thereof, which is not improveable, by building into the said Church-yard; and for enlarging the said Passage; and also for confirming of the said Library, and Free School, according to the Settlement made thereof by the said Lord Archbishop.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that *Mr. Cross* and *Mr. Heysham* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for erecting a Court of Conscience in the City of *Norwich* is committed, have Power to receive a Clause, for the better Execution of the Act passed in the First Year of the Reign of his Majesty, and the late Queen, for certain Courts of Conscience in the Cities of *Bristol* and *Gloucester*, and the Liberties thereof.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for redressing the Abuses of Hospitals, and other Charities: &c. And that *Colonel Byerly* and *Sir William Ashurst* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

A Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Privileges and Elections, That they do hear and determine the Right of Election for the Borough of *Hindon*; and how the Numbers appear to be.

Hindon  
Election.

Mr. Speaker reported, That he, with the House, did Yesterday present to his Majesty their humble Address: And that his Majesty was pleased to give a most gracious Answer thereunto; as follows; *viz.*

Answer to  
Address.

I AM willing to take all Occasions of thanking you very heartily for the Assurances you have frequently given me, and now repeat, of standing by, and supporting me, against all our Enemies both at home and abroad; towards which, nothing, in my Opinion, can contribute so much, as a good Correspondence between me and my People: And therefore you may depend upon it, that I will employ none in my Service but such as shall be thought most likely to improve that mutual Trust and Confidence between us, which is so necessary, in this Conjunction, both for our own Security, and the Defence and Preservation of our Allies.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the humble Thanks of this House be given to his Majesty, for his Majesty's most gracious Answer to the said Address.

Thanks on  
Answer.

*Ordered*, That such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do give his Majesty the said humble Thanks of this House.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had been pleased, in pursuance of his gracious Declaration, That he would inform this House of the Progress that should be made in the Negotiations he had entered into, to direct him to lay before this House the Translation of the States General's Resolution of the Twenty-third of April, New Stile: And he delivered the same in at the Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

Progress of  
the Nego-  
tations.

Extract out of the Register of the Resolutions of the High and Mighty Lords the States General of the *United Provinces*, of *Saturday*, the 23 April 1701, S.N.

HAVING heard the Report of the *Sieurs D'Essen*, and other Deputies of their High and Mightinesses for the foreign Affairs, who, by virtue of their Resolution, importing a Commission of the 22d of this Month, have examined the Memorial of *Mr. Stanhope*, Envoy Extraordinary from his Majesty of *Great Britain*, being in Answer to the Resolution of their High and Mightinesses of the 4th last past; and communicating to their High and Mightinesses the Resolution of his Majesty, not only to make good the Conditions of the Treaty of Alliance in

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the Year 1677-8, but also to enter into such other Ways and Means as shall be thought proper to procure their Safety, as is more at large mentioned in the said Memorial, and in the Acts of Yesterday: Whereupon having deliberated, it has been found good, and agreed, to represent, by a Letter to his Majesty of *Great Britain*, That the Resolution of his Majesty, which is so just and conformable to their High and Mightinesses Desires, must of Necessity produce in them a particular Joy and Satisfaction; especially at a time when they see the Propositions which they have made, jointly, with his Majesty, for the Preservation of the Peace, and for their common Safety, are treated in the most indifferent Manner that can be; and that they see, at the same time, the Forces and Preparations of War do daily increase on their Frontiers; which gives them a just Apprehension: That their High and Mightinesses have always relied on his Majesty's Friendship and Affection for their Republick, as also on the natural Equity and Faithfulness with which his Majesty is wont to make good his Engagements; and therefore they never doubted but that his Majesty would perform the Treaties they have the Honour to have concluded with his Majesty: And these new Assurances, which his Majesty is pleased to give them at this time, are to them a new Pledge, so much more effectual and valuable, as it is supported by the Desires of his good and loyal Subjects assembled in Parliament, and by their unanimous Concurrence in the same Design; and that, in the evident Danger with which their State is threatened, it confirms the Hopes and Expectations they have, that the required Succour will not be long delayed; and that, at all times, they shall have the full Effect and Performance of the said Treaty: That their High and Mightinesses have so true a Sense of it, that they think themselves obliged to demonstrate to his Majesty their sincere Acknowledgement thereof; and to return him their most hearty Thanks; and to assure his Majesty anew, as they have done heretofore, That, on their Side, they will likewise at all times, strictly perform what they are obliged to by the said Treaty: That they are as thoroughly persuaded as it is possible for them to be, that their Interests in the Preservation of the Peace, and in relation to their Safety, and the Maintenance of their Liberty and Religion, are intirely united, and inseparable from those of his Majesty, and his Kingdoms: And, his Majesty taking their Interest so much to Heart, they protest, That they will in no wise separate themselves from those of his Majesty; and that, upon this Principle, they are resolved to take no Measures in the Negotiations begun on this Subject, but in Concert with his Majesty, in the manner they have begun; knowing that his Majesty, as well as they, has no other End than to maintain the publick Tranquillity, and their common Safety: That the Letter which is to be writ in consequence hereof, shall be sent, with a Copy of this, to the *Sieur de Geldermalsen*, Envoy Extraordinary from their High and Mightinesses to the Court of his said Majesty, that he may present the same to his Majesty: The *Sieurs d'Essen*, and other Deputies of their High and Mightinesses for the foreign Affairs, are further required, and commissioned, to communicate the Contents of the present Resolution to Mr. *Stanhope* above-mentioned; and to thank him for his good Offices which he has employed in this Business; desiring him to continue them, to the end that the required Succour may be sent, the sooner the better.

Exchequer  
Fees.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to examine into all Fees received at his Majesty's Exchequer, concerning publick Monies; and to report to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Richard Cocks*, Dr. *Dacenant*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Earl of *Dysert*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Colonel *Byerly*, Sir *Rowland Gwyne*, Sir *Geo. Hungerford*, Sir *Thomas Wagstaff*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Sir *Hum. Mackworth*, Mr. *Woollaston*, Sir *J. Levesson Gower*, Sir *Samuel Bernardiston*, Sir *Charles Hotham*, Sir *William Husler*, Sir *William Drake*, Sir *James How*, Mr. *Boyle*, Mr. *Cowper*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Soames*, Mr.

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*Cesar*, Mr. *Hopkins*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Booth*, Mr. *Backwell*, Mr. *Bucknall*, Sir *Stephen Fox*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Pagit*, Mr. *Wentworth*, Colonel *Stringer*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Halford*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Holmes*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Carr*, Mr. *Vane*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Bromeley*, Mr. *Ash*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Musgrave*, Sir *Henry Lyddall*, Mr. *Denzil Onslow*, Lord *Cheine*, Sir *Willoughby Hickman*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And they have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Ordered*, That the several Accounts of Fees of the Officers of the Exchequer, which have been presented to the House, be referred to the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the said Committee to inquire into what Places have great Salaries, and need none, or but little, Attendance; and to report the same to the House.

*Julius Samborn*, *Joseph Wimbleton*, *Edward Wareham*, *Charles Bransby*, *John Newark*, and *John Haysham*, were, according to Order, brought to the Bar: Where they, upon their Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker. Privilege—Persons reprimanded and discharged.

*Ordered*, That the said *Julius Samborn*, *Joseph Wimbleton*, *Edward Wareham*, *Charles Bransby*, *John Newark*, and *John Haysham*, be discharged out of Custody, paying their Fees.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for resuming all Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick. Supply Bill; Resumption of Grants.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered it at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz. Ways and Means.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, towards the Supply granted to his Majesty, an Aid of Three Shillings in the Pound, for One Year, be laid upon all Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, Offices, Pensions, and personal Estates.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out "of," and inserting, instead thereof, "not exceeding:"

And the Question being put, That "of" stand Part of the Resolution;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That, towards the Supply granted to his Majesty, an Aid of Three Shillings in the Pound, for One Year, be laid upon all Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Offices, Pensions, and Personal Estates.

*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Conyers*, and Mr. *Lowndes*, do prepare and bring in, the same.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the further Limitation of the Crown; and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject. Limitation of the Crown.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 25<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

## PRAYERS.

Clarges' Estate.

SIR Joseph Tredenham, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable Sir Walter Clarges Baronet to dispose of a Piece of Ground near *Piccadilly*; discharged of the Interest *Thomas Neale* Esquire had therein: And the same was received.

Edwards' Decree in Chancery.

A Bill for confirming a Decree made in Chancery between *John Edwards* Gentleman, complaining against Sir *Francis Charlton* Baronet, and others, Defendants, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Apsley's Will.

A Bill for the better Performance of the Will of *Henry Apsley* Esquire, deceased, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *William Thomas*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *Thornhaugh*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Chetwynd*, Mr. *Mounsteuens*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Palmer*, Sir *Jacob Ashly*, Mr. *Blowfeild*, Sir *John Kay*, Sir *Richard Cox*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Lord *Pawlett*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Onslow*, Mr. *Lampton*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Cary*, Mr. *Birch*, Sir *John Bolls*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Kent* and *Sussex*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Ordered, That \* \* \* \*

Davison's Estate.

An ingrossed Bill for Sale of the Estate of *William Davison* Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts; and raising his Childrens Portions, charged thereupon; was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Sale of the Estate of *William Davison* Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts; and raising Childrens Portions, charged thereupon.

Ordered, That Sir *William Hustler* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Privilege—a Person petitions for Discharge.

A Petition of *John Jeffreys*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, for distributing Money, and other indirect Practices in order to the Electing *William Coatesworth* Esquire to be a Member for the Borough of *Great Grimsby*, was presented to the House, and read; acknowledging his Error, and begging that his long Confinement may be considered: And praying to be discharged out of Custody.

Ordered, That the said *John Jeffreys* be brought to the Bar of this House upon *Tuesday* Morning next, in order to his Discharge.

Huntington Election.

Ordered, That Mr. *Pedley* have Leave to withdraw his Petition, touching the Election for the Borough of *Huntington*, in the County of *Huntington*.

Fowey Election.

Ordered, That Mr. *Vivian* have Leave to withdraw his Petition, touching the Election for the Borough of *Fowey*, in the County of *Cornwall*.

Ditto.

Ordered, That the Matter upon the Petition of the Inhabitants of the said Borough of *Fowey* be heard, by the Committee of Privileges and Elections, upon *Wednesday* next, after the Hearing of the Matter touching the Election for the City of *Litchfield*.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Sir *William Gostwick* have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Privilege—Persons reprimanded and discharged.

*John Story*, *George Clayton*, and *Jeremy Boreman*, were, according to Order, brought to the Bar: Where they, upon their Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker.

Ordered, That the said *John Story*, *George Clayton*, and *Jeremy Boreman*, be discharged out of Custody, paying their Fees.

Ordered, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections do hear the whole Matter upon both the Petitions, touching the Election for the Borough of *Hindon*, in the County of *Wilts*, except touching the Right of the Election which this House hath determined.

Ordered, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections do hear the Matter touching the Election for the Borough of *Hindon*, To-morrow in the Afternoon, at Five a Clock.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Ordered, That all Committees have Leave to sit during the intended Adjournment.

And then the House adjourned till *Tuesday* Morning next, Nine a Clock.

Martis, 29<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

## PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That \* \* \* \*

\* \* That Sir *William Drake* have Leave to go into the Country, his Lady being dangerously ill.

Leave of Absence.

Mr. *Cross*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for improving the Ground belonging to *St. Martin's* Parish: And the same was received.

St. Martin's Parish Estate.

A Petition of *Richard Green* and *John Day* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That whereas *John Cook*, late of *Colchester*, was, in the Year 1690, possessed of divers Lands called *Loveney-Hall*, in the County of *Essex*; and, having murdered one *William Leech*, was executed for the same, and his Estate forfeited to the Crown; that the said Estate was granted, from the Crown, to *John Stilleman*; who sold the same to the Petitioners for a valuable Consideration, in Trust for one *John Blandford*; who made a Settlement thereof to divers Uses: And praying, That a Clause may be inserted in the Bill now depending for resuming the Grants of all Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th Day of February 1684, and applying the same to the Use of the Publick; for preserving the Petitioners Right to the said Estate.

Resumption of Grants.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Ordered, That Mr. *Palmer*, Sir *William Strickland*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Stockdale*, Mr. *Leigh*, be added to the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the vesting and settling certain Manors and Lands in *South Pickenham*, and other Places, in the County of *Norfolk*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for laying out the Monies arising by Sale thereof, in the Purchase of other Lands, to be settled to such and the same Uses as the same Manors and Lands, so to be vested, are and stand settled \* \* \* \*

Sale of Lands in South Pickenham.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the better preventing Bribery, and other undue Practices in Elections; and for preserving the Dignity of Parliaments.

Regulating Elections.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* reported to the House, That their Thanks for his Majesty's most gracious Answer to their Address had been presented to his Majesty: And that his Majesty received the same very graciously.

Answer to Address.

Resolved,



Ways and Means.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Limitation of the Crown.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the further Limitation of the Crown; and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject.

Supply Bill; Resumption of Grants.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* come Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill to resume the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th Day of February 1684; and applying the same to the Use of the Publick.

Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Popham* have Leave to go into the Country, for Recovery of his Health.

Call of the House.

*Ordered*, That the House be called over upon *Monday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That such Members, as shall not then attend the Service of the House, be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms.

Privilege—a Person petitions for Discharge.

A Petition of *John Perks*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, for being guilty of distributing Money, and other indirect Practices, in order to the Election of *William Coatesworth* Esquire, to be a Member for the Borough of *Grimsby*, was presented to the House, and read; acknowledging his Offence, and begging Pardon for the same: And praying to be discharged of his Confinement.

And the same was, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Privilege—a Person reprimanded and discharged.

*John Jefferys* was, according to Order, brought to the Bar: Where he, upon his Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker.

*Ordered*, That the said *John Jefferys* be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees have Leave to sit *Wednesday* and *Thursday*, during the Adjournment of . . . House.

Ditto.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Royal Fishery.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Royal Fishery Company is referred, do sit Tomorrow Morning; and afterwards *de die in diem*.

Half-pay.

A Petition of *George Barret* and *Humphry Price*, late Town Majors of the Garisons of *Hull* and *Chester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have been disbanded since the last Parliament, without any Consideration, or Payment of their Arrears: And praying, That in Consideration of their long and faithful Services, they may be inserted in the List of Half-pay Officers; that they may have and enjoy the same Benefit of all other *English* Officers since the War.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee appointed to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay be made.

Irish Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in Town, do attend this House upon *Monday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, be taken into Consideration upon *Monday* Morning next.

Supply Bill; Land Tax.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons,

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for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read upon *Friday* Morning next.

And then the House adjourned till *Friday* Morning next, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 2<sup>o</sup> die Maii;13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

A BILL to enable Sir *Walter Clarges* Baronet to dispose of a Piece of Ground near *Piccadilly*, conveyed by Sir *Thomas Clarges* to *Thomas Neale* Esquire, deceased, discharged of the said Mr. *Neale's* Interest, was read the First time;

And the Question being put, That the Bill be read a Second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Tredenham*, } 47.  
                                  { Mr. *Randall*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Birch*, } 54.  
                                  { Mr. *Bucknall*: }

So it passed in the Negative.

A Petition of the Lead-merchants and Tradesmen of the Town of *Derby*, on behalf of themselves and divers others trading and dealing with and amongst the Lead-mines in the County of *Derby*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill brought into this . . . . . upon the Petition of *Obadiah Bourne*, and others; whereby they endeavour, not, as they pretend, to ascertain, but to create and establish, a Duty or Tythe of Lead-ore in the said County, contrary to common Right: That there is already a great Duty of Lot and Cope to the King, and Lords of the Field; therefore humbly hope the said Bill may not be thought reasonable to pass: And praying, That they may be heard, by their Counsel, against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

*Ordered*, That Captain *Miller* have Leave to go into the Country for Ten Days, upon extraordinary Occasions. Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Colonel *Webb* junior have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions. Ditto.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Charles Duncomb* have Leave to withdraw his Petition, touching the Election for the Borough of *Downton*, in the County of *Wilts*. Downton Election.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Charles Duncomb* have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions. Leave of Absence.

Mr. *Hoblyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable his Majesty to make Grants, Leases, and Copies, of Offices, Lands, and Hereditaments, Parcel of his Duchy of *Cornwall*, or annexed to the same; and for Confirmation of Leases and Grants already made: And the same was received. Duchy of Cornwall Leases.

A Petition of several Persons, being Traders in and about the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, on behalf of themselves, and many others in and about the said Cities, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have, in their several Ways of Trading, intrusted divers Members of this honourable House with Goods Privilege of Parliament.

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Goods



Goods to a great Value; and have used their utmost Endeavours to obtain their said Debts by the most respective Carriage and Application; but, the Honourable Persons strictly insisting on their Privilege, the Petitioners are forced to fly for Relief to this Honourable House: And praying such Remedy may be prescribed, as may prevent their Ruin, with other Traders in the like Condition with themselves.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for preventing any Inconvenience that may happen by Privilege of Parliament: And that Sir *John Leveson Gower*, Sir *Bartholomew Shower*, and Mr. *Pelham*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Countess of  
Anglesey's  
Separation.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for separating *James Earl of Anglesey* from *Catharine Countess of Anglesey*, his Wife, for the Cruelty of the said Earl: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Raising  
Militia.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and One, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid: And that Mr. *Topham* and Mr. *Hoblyn* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Colony of  
Surinam.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Cox*, Sir *John Packington*, Sir *John Thorold*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Dymock*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Andrew Clifford* and *Jeronomy Clifford*, late Inhabitants in *Surinam* in *America*, was referred.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax.

A Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions; was, according to Order, read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Monday Morning* next.

Steynning  
Election.

A Petition of Sir *Robert Fagg* Baronet was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there being a new Election to be for the Borough of *Steyning*, of a Member to serve in this Parliament; the Officer gave Notice thereof, about Six or Seven a Clock on *Saturday* in the Afternoon, the 12th of April, to be upon the *Wednesday* after in the Forenoon; which being very short and undue Notice, the Petitioner, who stood a Candidate with *Charles Goreing* Esquire, objected against the same; nevertheless, the Officer proceeding to the Election, 24 Persons were polled for the Petitioner, to whom no Objection was taken by the said *Goreing*; but, when the Officer had polled 26 for Mr. *Goreing*, he closed up the Poll, though there were 13 more legal Voters ready to poll for the Petitioner: That there were several indirect Proceedings, before and at the said Election, by the said Mr. *Goreing*, in order to his Election: And praying, That a Day may be appointed for the Committee of Privileges and Elections to hear the Petitioner's Case.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That it be a Direction to the Committee of Privileges and Elections, That they do hear the Matter of the said Petition upon another Day than they do usually sit; It passed in the Negative.

Minehead  
Harbour.

Mr. *Gwyn*, according to Order, presented to the House, a Bill for the recovering, securing, and keeping, the Harbour of *Minehead*, for the Benefit and Support of the Na-

vigation and Trade of this Kingdom: And the same was received.

A Petition of Nine Engineers, who remain of all those that served in his Majesty's Army, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners served his Majesty, and Government, during the late War, in *Ireland* and *Flanders*; and were disbanded at the Conclusion of the Peace; having Arrears due to them since the Siege of *Namure*: That they presented their Petition for Half-pay the last Sessions: and the same was favourably received; but, through the Multiplicity of other Business, were not considered: And praying, That they may be considered with the rest of the Officers of the Army.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee appointed to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That the Committee appointed to draw up Articles of Impeachment have Leave to send for Persons Papers, and Records. Lord Somers' &c. Impeachment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to make a Motion to the House, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Motion be made upon *Monday Morning* next.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That the Committee had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 3° die Maii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

A BILL for discharging a Mortgage upon the Estate of *Peter Trevisa* Esquire, deceased; and for providing a Maintenance for his Widow and Children; was read a Second time. Trevisa's Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Mannaton*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *William Ashurst*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Sir *Wm. Coriton*, Mr. *Rolls*, Mr. *Hunt*, Mr. *Verney*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Gape*, Mr. *Crosse*, Mr. *Lounds*, Mr. *Thornhaugh*, Mr. *Gregory*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Mr. *Birch*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Anderton*, Sir *Wm. Withers*, Sir *Hum. Mackworth*, Sir *Charles Hotham*, Sir *John Kay*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Cornwall* and *Devon*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

A Bill to enable *Richard Bigg* to charge Part of his Estate, in the County of *Hertford*, with the Payment of his Debts, was read the First time. Bigg's Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Robert Stayner* was referred, be made upon *Tuesday Morning* next. Running Salt.

A Bill

Minehead  
Harbour.

A Bill for recovering, securing, and keeping in Repair, the Harbour of *Minehead*, for the Benefit and Support of the Navigation and Trade of this Kingdom, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Vaughan's  
Marriage  
Articles.

Sir Rowland Gwynne reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable William Vaughan Esquire, and Frances Vaughan, his intended Wife, being both under the Age of One-and-twenty Years, to perform Articles made for their Marriage, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Tanner's  
Estate.

Sir Joseph Tredenham, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Sale of the Estate of Bernard Tanner Esquire, of such Part thereof as will be sufficient for the Payment of his Debts: And the same was received.

Privilege of  
Parliament.

Sir John Leveson Gower, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for preventing any Inconvenience that may happen by Privilege of Parliament: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Tuesday Morning next.

Edwards'  
Decree in  
Chancery.

A Bill for confirming a Decree made in Chancery between John Edwards Gentleman, Complainant, and Sir Francis Charlton Baronet, and others, Defendants, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Gower, Colonel Lee, Mr. Eyres, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Crosse, Mr. Rayner, Mr. Heysham, Mr. Dolben, Mr. Walpole, Mr. Shackerley, Mr. Mordant, Mr. Hoblyn, Mr. Gregory, Mr. Mounstevens, Sir Richard Cocks, Mr. Gregory, Sir Fran. Massam, Mr. Birch, Mr. England, Mr. Fuller; and all that serve for Staffordshire, Shropshire, Cheshire, and Wales: And they are to meet at Five a Clock, this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Half-pay.

A Petition of John Key, late Captain in the Lord Strathnaver's Regiment, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner having raised a Company with great Expences, and without Levy-money, in the said Regiment, which was then upon the Irish Establishment, he served faithfully therein for some . . . ; till, in October 1696, a new Commission was surreptitiously taken out for his Company, in favour of the Colonel's First Cousin, without any Ground, or regular Process: That there are considerable Arrears due to the Petitioner, which he can get no Account of from the Colonel: And praying, That he may be admitted into Half-pay, with the rest of the Officers of his Station.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee appointed to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay be made.

Privilege—  
A Person pe-  
titions for  
Discharge.

A Petition of Edward Martyn, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, for having been guilty of Threats, and indirect Practices, in order to procure an Election of Members of Parliament for the Port of *Winchelsea*, was presented to the House, and read; whereby he expressed his Sorrow for having incurred the Displeasure of the House; and begs Pardon for any thing wherein he may have given Offence: And prays the Compassion of the House; and that he may be discharged, that he may, in

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some measure, be enabled to provide for himself and Family.

*Ordered*, That the said Edward Martyn be brought to the Bar upon Monday Morning next, in order to his Discharge.

Sir Rowland Gwynne, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better Preservation and Increase of the Timber of this Kingdom: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be read upon Tuesday Morning next.

A Petition of Edmund Stafford, and Samuel Dopping Esquire, in behalf of themselves, and other Purchasers of Inheritance of Part of the Forfeited Estates in Ireland, was presented to the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until Monday Morning, when the Trustees for Irish Forfeitures are to attend this House, and the Report of the said Trustees is to be taken into Consideration.

A Petition of the Mayor, Jurats, Freemen, and chief Rye Inhabitants, of the ancient Town and Port of Rye, in the County of Sussex, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Harbour of Rye is the only Harbour for Ships the English have, upon the Coast of Kent and Sussex, from the Downs to Portsmouth; and is very convenient for Ships that sail from East to West, and from West to East, to put into, to save themselves in Stress of Weather; and lies opposite to Deep, and several other considerable Ports of France: That, by the Stopping of the Slubb, the said Harbour is so choaked, that, in a few Years, a Ship of Burden will not be able to come in there: And praying, That this House will be pleased to take such Course as they shall think fit, for the Restoring the said Harbour to its ancient Goodness.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir Robert Austen, Mr. Offley, and Mr. Shackerley, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for separating James Earl of Anglesey from Catharine Countess of Anglesey, his Wife, for the Cruelty of the said Earl, was, according to Order, read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of James Earl of Anglesey, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Matters alleged against the Petitioner, in the Bill for separating him from his Countess, are cognizable in a proper inferior Court: And praying, That the House will appoint a time, before the Second Reading of the said Bill, when, by his Counsel, he may make it appear, That the inferior Courts have usual Methods, and known Laws, to judge such Cases by, with full Power to relieve, where the Case deserves it.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Second Reading of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a Second time upon Thursday Morning next.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Robert Legard and Sir Richard Holford: Dillon's Divorce.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for dissolving the Marriage of Sir John Dillon with Mary Boyle; and for other Purposes therein mentioned: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Fowey Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of Fowey, in the County of Cornwall, be made upon Monday Morning next.

*Resolved*,

Preservation  
of Protestant  
Religion.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the better Preservation of the Protestant Religion; and for preventing the Translation of Bishops from one See to another.

Countess of  
Anglesey's  
Separation.

*Resolved*, That the Countess of *Anglesey*, during the time of the Bill, relating to her, . . . depending in this House, have the Protection of this House for Prosecuting of the same.

Publick  
Debts.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to receive Proposals for paying off the publick Debts, and advancing the Credit of the Nation, be made upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Regulating  
Elections.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the better preventing Bribery, and other undue Practices, in Elections; and for preserving the Dignity and Constitution of Parliaments.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Sir *Humphry Mackworth* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Sir *Humphry Mackworth* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning next, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 5° die Maii;*

13° Willielmi; Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax.

A BILL for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions; was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

*Resolved*, That the said Committee do apply a Part of the Money, to be raised by the said Bill, towards the Paying off and Cancelling Exchequer Bills.

Creditors on  
Duty on  
Stone, &c.

A Petition of several Persons, on behalf of themselves, and many others, who did advance, and pay into the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer, the Sum of Five hundred Sixty-four thousand Seven hundred Pounds, in a Time of extraordinary Necessity, on the Faith and Credit of an Act of Parliament, made in the 6th and 7th Years of his Majesty's Reign, for granting to his Majesty certain Rates and Duties on Stone, Glass, and Earthen-ware, Coals, and Culm, for the Term of Five Years, for carrying on the War against *France*; which Fund was, the next Session of Parliament, taken away; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners did advance and lend the said Sum, at the Interest of Seven Pounds per Cent. on a Fund that would have discharged the Principal and Interest in the Time limited, had not the said Duties been taken away: That, the Session of Parliament following, a Duty was laid on Leather and Skins, for Three Years, for Repayment of the said Debt, and Interest; and the Persons who lent the said Money, setting forth the Insufficiency of the said Duties for answering the said Debt, and Interest, were granted an enacting Clause, That so much of the said Money, as should fall short of Payment by the said Duties, should

be paid out of the next Supply to be granted to his Majesty: That the said Duties on Leather and Skins is expired; and there is due to the Petitioners upwards of 500,000*l.* Principal, and about 18 Months Interest: That the Petitioners are informed, there is a Bill now passing this House, for granting an Aid to his Majesty: And praying, That the said Debt may be transferred to the said Aid, for discharging thereof, and the Interest; and that this House will appoint a Time for hearing the Petitioners, before the said Bill doth pass; unless some other effectual Provision be made for the Petitioners this Session of Parliament.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners be, by Counsel, heard at the Bar of this House upon *Friday* Morning.

A Petition of *John Hicks*, of *Trevithick*, in the County of *Cornwall*, Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, being a Neighbour of *Lestwithiell*, in the said County of *Cornwall*, was, by the Electors of the said Borough, encouraged to offer his Service to be chosen one of their Representatives in this present Parliament, in the room of *John Buller* Esquire, deceased: That, by the Influence of a noble Peer of this Realm, and the Solicitations of his Servants and Agents, and other indirect Means, several Persons, that had invited the Petitioner, were prevailed on to desert him, and vote for the Honourable *George Booth* Esquire; notwithstanding which, the Petitioner had a Majority of lawful Voices, yet *Nevill Peters*, the Mayor, returned the said *George Booth* Esquire, and refused to hear, or sign the Petitioner's Indenture: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Resolved*, That the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions; is committed; have Power to receive a Clause for enlarging the Time for the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures to determine Appeals.

*Resolved*, That the said Committee have Power to receive a Clause to provide, That no Members of this House, from and after the Dissolution of this Parliament, shall be concerned as a Commissioner, or other Officer, in the Customs.

A Complaint being made to the House, That *Edward Oliver* junior, *Hoyman*, *Thomas Terry*, *John Terry*, and *George Briggs*, have entered upon the Lands of *James Herbert* Esquire, in the County of *Kent*, and taken away Copperas Stones from off the same, in Breach of the Privilege of this House.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Complaint be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Edward Martyn* was, according to Order, brought to the Bar: Where he, upon his Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker.

*Ordered*, That the said *Edward Martyn* be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, touching the Election for the Borough of *Fowy*, in the County of *Cornwall*; and the Resolution of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

Upon the Petition of several of the Inhabitants of *Fowy*, complaining of an undue Election for the said Borough of *Fowy*:

That

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Election.

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Privilege—  
A Person re-  
primanded and  
discharged.

Fowy  
Election.

That the Right of Election was not much controverted by the Counsel: However, the Petitioner's Counsel called,

*Edward Parker*: Who said, He had lived in *Fowey* Fifty Years: and that the Right of Election was in the Prince's Tenants, one of which was always chosen Portreeve; and in such Inhabitants as pay Scot and Lot.

Whereupon the Committee came to this Resolution;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Right of electing Burgesses to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *Fowey*, in the County of *Cornwall*, is in the Prince's Tenants, who are capable of being Portreeves of the said Borough; and in such Inhabitants of the said Borough only as pay Scot and Lot.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Right of electing Burgesses to serve in Parliament of the Borough of *Fowey*, in the County of *Cornwall*, is in the Prince's Tenants, who are capable of being Portreeves of the said Borough; and in such Inhabitants of the said Borough only as pay Scot and Lot.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

The House was acquainted, That the Trustees for the Irish Forfeitures attended, according to Order.

*Ordered*, That the said Trustees do attend this House again upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That no Petitions relating to the Forfeitures of *Ireland* be received until after *Wednesday* Morning next.

Ways and  
Means.

*Mr. Conyers*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, That he was directed by the said Committee to move the House for Leave to apply One hundred thousand Pounds a Year, Part of the Sum of Seven hundred thousand Pounds, granted for the Service of his Majesty's Household, and other Expences and Occasions, towards the Payment of the Publick Debts; the Occasions for which the said One hundred thousand Pounds was given being now ceased.

And the Question being put, That Leave be given to apply One hundred thousand Pounds a Year, Part of the Sum of Seven hundred thousand Pounds, granted for the Service of his Majesty's Household, and other Expences and Occasions, towards Payment of the publick Debts; the Occasions for which the said One hundred thousand Pounds was given being now ceased;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for {Colonel *Granville*, } 214.  
the Yeas, {Sir *Charles Shuckberg* :

Tellers for {Mr. Chancellor of Exchequer, } 169.  
the Noes, {Mr. *Bridges* :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Earl of  
Portland's,  
&c. Im-  
peachment.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr Speaker,

The Lords have commanded us to acquaint this House, That they having, on the First Day of April last, sent up to their Lordships an Impeachment against *William Earl of Portland*, of high Crimes and Misdemeanors; and having also, on the Fifteenth Day of the same Month, severally impeached *John Lord Somers*, *Edward Earl of Orford*, and *Charles Lord Halifax*, of high Crimes and Misdemeanors; their Lordships think themselves obliged to put this House in mind, That as yet no particular Articles have been exhibited against the said Lords; which, after Impeachments have been so long depending, is due in Justice to the Persons concerned, and agreeable to the Methods of Parliament in such Cases.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Resolved*, That an Answer be returned to the Lords, That the Articles against the Lords impeached are pre-

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paring, and, in a short time, this House will send them up to the House of Lords.

And the Messengers were called in again; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 6<sup>o</sup> die Maii;*

13<sup>o</sup> Willelmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

A BILL to naturalize *Archibald Arthur*, and enable him to settle and dispose of his Estate, was read a Second time. Arthur's  
Nat.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Crosse*, Sir *Thomas Hales*, Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *Pitfeild*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Captain *Clayton*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Gape*, Mr. *Blisse*, Sir *Charles Boys*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Howe*, Sir *John Kaye*, Sir *John Packington*, Sir *Edward Turner*, Mr. *Loxther*, Mr. *Wild*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *Shuckertly*, Mr. *Blofeld*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Ralph Box* with *Elizabeth Eyre*; and to enable him to marry again; was read a Second time. Box's  
Divorce.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

The Lord *Cornbury*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the speedy Discovery and Suppression of Vagabonds; and the better regulating disorderly Servants; and for the more easy Recovery of Servants Wages: And the same was received. Servants  
Wages, &c.

A Bill for improving the Ground belonging to *St. Martin's Parish*, was read the First time. St. Martin's  
Parish  
Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Mayor, free Burgesses, and Inhabitants, of the Borough of *Callington*, in the County of *Cornwall*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Poverty doth greatly increase amongst the meaner Sort of People there, as well as in other Parts of the Kingdom, by reason of the Decay and Damp of Trade in the Woollen Manufactures: And praying, That effectual Care may be taken for encouraging the said Woollen Manufacture, by obliging the common People to wear their Apparel thereof; and their shifting and inner Garments of Flannel; or by any other Means as shall be thought fit. Woollen  
Manufac-  
ture.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws in being, relating to the Woollen Manufacture.

The Earl of *Dysert* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable *Robert Lord Viscount Kilmore*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, being an Infant, to settle divers Manors, Lands, and Hereditaments, in the Kingdom of *England*, upon a Treaty of Marriage, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents thereunto, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; Lord  
Kilmore's  
Estate.



Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Lady  
Bulkley's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill to enable the Right Honourable *Elizabeth Lady Bulkley* to sell certain Lands in the County of *Devon*, and City, and County of the City, of *Exon*, for the Payment of Debts, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable the Right Honourable *Elizabeth Lady Bulkley* to sell certain Lands in the County of *Devon*, and City, and County of the City, of *Exon*, for the Payment of Debts.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Vaughan* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Duties on  
Salt.

*Mr. Shackerly*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Duties upon Salt; and for collecting the same with less Charge to the Publick: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read upon *Thursday Morning* next.

Litchfield,  
&c.  
Elections.

*Ordered*, That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Elections for the City of *Litchfield*, and the Boroughs of *Hindon*, in the County of *Wilts*; and *Bishops Castle*, in the County of *Salop*; be made upon *Saturday Morning* next.

Herne's  
Will.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for declaring the Will of *Sir Joseph Herne*, dated the Twenty-fifth Day of February One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, to be taken and esteemed the last Will of the said *Sir Joseph Herne*, be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Tythes of  
Lead-ore.

A Petition of divers Merchants, Wharfingers, Ship-masters, Owners, and other Tradesmen and Inhabitants, of the several Towns of *Gainesborough*, *Stockwith*, and *Bawtry*, in the Counties of *Lincoln*, *Nottingham*, and *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are informed, there is a Bill depending in this Honourable House, for settling and ascertaining the Tythes of Lead-ore, in the County of *Derby*; and that, in the major Part of the said County, it hath not been customary to pay Tythe for Lead-ore: That, if the said Bill should pass, it would prevent the Growth of that Trade, and hinder the Employment of Multitudes of Poor, and be detrimental to the Navigation of the River *Trent*: And praying, That they may be heard, by Counsel, at the Bar of this House, against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Running  
Salt.

*Sir Robert Cotton*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Robert Steyner* Esquire was referred, That they had examined the Matter thereof; and had directed him to report the same, with the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon, to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

The Committee having examined the Allegations contained in the said Petition, it appeared to them, by the Information they received from the Petitioner, as also from one *Mr. Huntbach*, That, notwithstanding the Penalties inflicted upon Offenders, by the several Acts of Parliament for laying a Duty upon Salt; yet the same is found not sufficient to deter Persons from defrauding his Majesty of a great Part of that Duty:

That a great Part of the Salt made within the Borough of *Droitwich* is fraudently conveyed away, without Payment of the Duty for the same:

That the Justices of the Peace, who are Justices, by

virtue of their Charter, within that Borough, are Salt-makers; and, whenever any Persons are detected for Running of Salt, the said Justices are the Judges which try and determine these said Abuses; whereby several Persons, who are great Dealers in Salt, are favoured by the said Justices: *Mr. Huntbach* said, That he hath seen 40, 50, and 60 Bushels of Salt carried off at a time, without paying any Duty; and that he hath heard the Proprietors of the Salt-works at *Droitwich* make their Boast of running Salt; and that several Men in the said Town have carried away very great Quantities of Salt, without paying the Duty; and have armed themselves, to defend them against such as should oppose them:

That the greatest Part of the Inhabitants of *Droitwich* are Runners of Salt; and that above Thirty Horses are kept on purpose to carry off such Salt: And that he hath seen several Sums of Money paid to the Proprietors, for Salt, of which the Duty has not been paid to the King.

*Mr. Steyner* said, That he saw above 150 Bushels of Salt taken out of *Mr. Edward Launch's* Crib at *Droitwich*, without paying any Duty:

That several Families in the said Town are maintained by Running of Salt; and refuse to work, to get an honest Livelihood, because they get more Money in that fraudulent Practice.

*Mr. Huntbach* said, That one of the Supervisors surveyed all the Salt in the Town of *Droitwich*, and entered the same in a Book; after which, *Mr. Wood*, one of the Proprietors, run a whole Crib of Salt at one time.

*Mr. Steyner* said, That he verily believed, that the King is defrauded of the said Duty to above the Value of 10,000*l.* per Annum, within the Borough of *Droitwich*.

Upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That several great Quantities of Salt, made within the Borough of *Droitwich*, in the County of *Worcester*, have been sold, and conveyed away, the Duty whereof has not been answered, or paid to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the House be moved for Leave to bring in a Bill to prevent the Abuses in Running of Salt.

And the First Resolution being read a Second time;

*Ordered*, That the said Report be re-committed to the same Committee.

*Mr. Topham*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and One, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Complaint being made to the House, of the sad and distressed Condition of several Seamen, who have been discharged their Ships without being paid their Bounty-money, or Wages;

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will please to give Direction, That the Seamen discharged be immediately paid their Bounty-money and Wages; that Money may be sent down to pay those in the Country who are discharged; and that before any more be discharged, they may be paid off on board the Ships.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to inquire into the Reasons, how the Seamen came to be discharged without being paid:

And it is referred to *Sir Richard Onslow*, *Mr. Harvey*, *Mr. Clayton*, Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, *Sir Jo. Mordant*, *Sir Charles Bloys*, *Sir Sam. Bernardiston*, *Sir Richard Cocks*, *Mr. Smith*, *Mr. Mountague*, Colonel *Byerly*, *Mr. Cox*, *Mr. How*, *Mr. Marks*, *Mr. Foley*, *Mr. St. John*, *Mr. Chandler*, *Sir William Ashurst*, *Sir Jacob Ashley*, Lord *Hyde*, *Mr. Heysham*, *Mr. Hoblin*, *Mr. Wollaston*, *Sir Barth.*

Raising  
Militia.

Discharging  
Seamen.



*Barth. Shower, Sir Charles Barrington, Mr. Moncton, Sir Rush. Cullen, Mr. Brotherton, Sir Justinian Isham, Sir John Leveson Gower, Sir Thomas Meres, Sir Robert Davers, Mr. Pagit, Mr. Rowney, Sir Jo. Hotham, Mr. Clerk, Mr. Sergeson, Sir William Strickland, Sir William York, Colonel Lee, Colonel Crawford, \* \*, \* \*;* and all that serve for the Sea Ports, *Surry*, and *Hampshire*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber: And they have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do inquire into the Abuses in buying of Seamen's Tickets.

A Message from the Lords, by *Sir Robert Legard* and *Sir Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

Duke of  
Ormond's  
Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Creditors of *James* late Duke of *Ormond*, and of the present Duke of *Ormond*: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House: And also,

Mewia's  
Name.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to change the Surname of *Ellis Mewis*, and his Heirs, to the Surname of *Saint John*: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ways and  
Means.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Privilege of  
Parliament.

A Bill for preventing any Inconvenience that may happen by Privilege of Parliament; was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

Limitation  
of the Crown.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the further Limitation of the Crown; and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

*Sir John Bolls* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

*Sir John Bolls* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill; and made several Amendments thereunto: which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Preservation  
of Timber.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better Preservation and Increase of the Timber of this Kingdom be read upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 7 die Maii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

Barkstead's  
Nat.

A BILL for naturalizing *Jane Barkstead* Widow; and vesting several Mortgages and Securities, Part of her late Husband's Estate, in her, whereby she may be enabled to take in, and let out, her own and her Children's Money, as there shall be Occasion; was read a Second time.

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*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Sir Rowland Gwynne, Mr. Offley, Mr. Byrch, Mr. Cooke, Lord Cornbury, Sir Henry Bellasyse, Mr. Gulston, Mr. Compton, Sir Samuel Barnardiston, Sir Robert Cotton, Mr. England, Lord Fairfax, Lord Mordant, Mr. Mounstevens, Sir Robert Clayton, Colonel Mordant, Mr. Brotherton, Sir Cha. Barrington, Mr. Vaughan, Sir John Puckington, Mr. Worsley, Mr. Blofield, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Horne, Mr. Lowther, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Shackerly*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That Colonel *Granville* have Leave to withdraw his Petition, touching the Election for the Borough Election. of *Newport*, in the County of *Cornwall*.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to the Inhabitants of the said Borough of *Newport* to withdraw their Petition touching the Election for the said Borough.

Mr. *Brewer* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Performance of the Will of *Henry Apsley* Esquire, deceased, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Heysham* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Stephen Jermyn* to make Provision for his younger Children, and for the Advancement of his eldest Son, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen, Tradesmen, and other Inhabitants of the Town of *Newark upon Trent*, in the County of *Nottingham*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, having very lately been informed, That a Bill is passing this Honourable House, for Payment of Tythe of Lead-ore, in the County of *Derby*, do humbly beg Leave to observe, That the same may be of very ill Consequence to most Places of this Kingdom, as well as to the Petitioners; for that it is the Interest of *England* to free its Manufactures, and the Commodities of its Growth and Product, from all those Clogs that hinder the Consumption or Exportation thereof; and to give all possible Encouragement to those Persons that employ their Estates, and the Poor of this Kingdom therein: That the present Duties and Charges upon Lead-ore and Lead are so very great, and Expences in finding it out no less, that there rather wants a Law for the better promoting and encouraging the seeking for, getting and exporting, that Commodity, than a Law to charge it with Tythe, not due of common Right: And praying, That the same may be considered, and Lead-ore be discharged from paying any Tythe at all.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of Colonel *Luke Lillingston* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner hath, in several Qualities, faithfully served the Crown almost these 30 Years; and was in all the War in *Ireland*, Half-pay.

*Ireland*, and afterwards in *Flanders*, till the latter End of the Year 1692, when he was commanded upon the Expedition to *Martinico*; and afterwards to *Jamaica*, where he was very serviceable: That there is a considerable Arrear due to him, for such his Services: And praying, That he may be admitted into Half-pay, with the rest of the Colonels of the Army.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay, shall be made.

Box's  
Divorce.

A Petition of *Elizabeth Box* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner has several Things to offer against the Bill now depending in this House, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Ralph Box* with *Elizabeth Eyre*; and to enable him to marry again: And praying, That she may be heard, by her Counsel, against the said . . . , before the same be read a Third time.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioner be heard, by her Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

Minehead  
Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the recovering, securing, and keeping in Repair, the Harbour of *Minehead*, for the Benefit and Support of the Navigation and Trade of this Kingdom, be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Insolvent  
Debtors.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Herne's  
Will.

A Bill for declaring the Will of *Sir Joseph Herne*, dated the 25th Day of February One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, to be taken and esteemed the last Will of the said *Sir Joseph Herne*, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Mr. Champneys*, *Mr. Pitfield*, *Mr. Hammond*, *Mr. Tredenham*, *Sir Thomas Meeres*, *Mr. Vaughan*, *Sir Charles Barrington*, *Mr. Gwyn*, *Mr. Mountague*, *Sir William Coriton*, *Sir Robert Dacres*, *Mr. Bromly*, *Mr. Brotherton*, *Mr. Shacklerly*, *Mr. Clayton*, *Mr. Heysham*, *Mr. Stonehouse*, *Mr. Yates*, *Mr. How*, *Sir John Phillips*, *Sir Walter Young*, *Mr. Bere*, *Sir Sam. Barnardiston*, *Mr. Randa*, *Mr. Scobell*, *Mr. Woollaston*, *Sir Rowland Gwynne*, *Mr. Bertie*, *Mr. Lowther*, *Mr. Mompesson*; and all that serve for the County of *Middlesex*, and City of *London*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Barrington's  
Estate.

*Mr. Conyers* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable *Sir Charles Barrington* to settle a Jointure, and make Provision for his younger Children, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, with some other Amendments, made by the House, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House: And other Amendments were made, by the House, to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

New Way to  
Lincoln's-  
inn-fields.

A Petition of *Shem Bridges* and *John Thornicroft* Esquires, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by an Act passed the last Session of Parliament, for the speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery-lane* to *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, and Places adjacent, a Tax of Two Shillings and Six-pence per Quarter, for Six Years, was laid upon all Hackney

Coaches, Carts, and Drays, within certain Limits in the said Act mentioned, with a Power for the Trustees therein mentioned to borrow, at Interest, 3,000 *l.* upon the Credit and Profits thereof: And the Petitioners, before passing of the said Act, having, by Articles, agreed with *Cavendish Weedon* Esquire, one of the Trustees, for 2,600 *l.* to be paid, at *Lady-day* last, for several Houses, and Ground, which then stood where the said Way now is, were, by the said Act, to be paid the same accordingly: That the Petitioners, being desirous that the said Way might be made as soon as possible, did, upon the Security of the said Act, transfer their said Houses, and Ground, to the said *Mr. Weedon*, and the other Trustees; but now find, That the said Tax will fall short of raising the said 2,600 *l.* with Interest: And praying, That the House, will consider the Premises, and afford them Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Cavendish Weedon* Esquire was referred: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

*Ordered*, That the Bill for erecting Hospitals and Workhouses within the Borough of *King's Lynn*, in the County of *Norfolk*, for the better Employing and Maintaining of the Poor there, be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Creditors of *James* late Duke of *Ormond*, and of the present Duke of *Ormond*, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Sir Bartholemew Shower* acquainted the House, from the Committee appointed to draw up the Articles of Impeachment against the Lords impeached, That they had drawn up Articles of Impeachment, accordingly, against the Earl of *Orford*.

*Ordered*, That the said Articles be reported To-morrow Morning.

A Bill for appointing Wardens and Assay-masters for Assaying of wrought Plate, according to the present Standard, and affixing the *Britannia* Mark thereon, in those Cities where Mints were lately erected for re-coining the Money of this Kingdom, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Sir Edward Seymour*, *Mr. Shacklerly*, *Sir Bath. Shower*, *Earl of Dysert*, *Sir Godfrey Copley*, *Sir Sam. Barnardiston*, *Mr. Mountstevens*, *Mr. Scobell*, *Mr. Yates*, *Mr. Heysham*, *Sir John Fleet*, *Mr. Conyers*, *Mr. England*, *Sir Robert Cotton*, *Mr. Fuller*, *Mr. Brotherton*, *Mr. Ward*, *Sir James Howe*, *Mr. King*, *Mr. Cook*, *Sir Francis Child*, *Mr. Droy*, *Sir Charles Shugburgh*, *Sir Mich. Wharton*, *Mr. Blofeild*, *Mr. Gwyn*, *Sir Rowland Gwynne*, *Colonel Byrch*, *Sir Charles Bloys*, *Mr. Byrch*, *Sir William Robinson*, *Mr. Chetwynd*, *Sir Philip Boteler*, *Mr. Thompson*, *Sir John Phillips*, *Sir Robert Clayton*, *Mr. Gulston*, *Mr. Pagit*, *Sir Thomas Frankland*, *Mr. Randy*, *Sir William Hulster*, *Sir John Kay*, *Mr. Hurvey*, *Mr. Pabnes*, *Sir Richard Cocks*, *Mr. Cox*; and all for the Counties of *York*, *Lancaster*, *Devon*, *Norfolk*, and *Somerset*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Mr. How* presented to the House a Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Friday Morning next.

The House being informed, That the Trustees for the Irish Forfeitures attended, according to Order;

The Report from the said Trustees was again read.

And the Trustees were called in; and, at the Bar, they were asked several Questions upon the said Report: And they

they presented to the House a Map of *Ireland*, shewing the Situation of the gross Quantities of the forfeited Lands in that Kingdom; and Instructions for a general Survey thereof; and also an Account of forfeited Debts granted.

And then they withdrew.

And the said Account was read.

And the same, and the Map, and Account, and Instructions, are bound up with the Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

*Resolved*, That this House will appoint a Day to receive all Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures.

*Resolved*, That *Tuesday* next be the Day for receiving the said Petitions.

*Resolved*, That all such Petitions be referred to the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, to state the Matter of Fact only appearing upon such Petitions.

Publick  
Debts.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to receive Proposals for paying off the publick Debts, and advancing the Credit of the Nation, be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Ways and  
Means.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 8<sup>o</sup> die Maii;*

13<sup>o</sup> *Willielmi*, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

Lofland's,  
&c. Nat.

**A**N ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Naturalizing of *Adrian Lofland*, and others, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir Rowland Gwynne, Mr. Roberts, Sir William Strickland, Mr. Harley, Mr. Yates, Sir Robert Davers, Mr. Hoblyn, Sir Tho. Hales, Sir John Trevillian, Mr. Portman, Mr. Anderton, Sir Robert Cotton, Mr. Lowndes, Sir Tho. Wagstaffe, Sir John Kay, Sir William York, Sir John Mor-dant, Mr. Cotton, Sir John Bolls, Mr. Mompesson, Mr. Vaughan, Sir Charles Bloys, Sir Fran. Massam, Mr. Stretford, Mr. Birch, Mr. Shackerly, Mr. Walpole, Sir Godfrey Copley, Mr. Bright, Mr. Fuller, Mr. England, Mr. Blofield, Sir Isaac Rebow, Mr. Lake, Mr. Smithson, Mr. Dyot, Mr. Rayner, Mr. Markes, Mr. Clark: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Dillon's  
Divorce.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for dissolving the Marriage of Sir John Dillon with *Mary Boyle*; and for other Purposes therein mentioned; be read To-morrow Morning.

Resumption  
of Grants.

A Petition of *Elizabeth Hamilton* Widow, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That his present Majesty, by Letters Patent dated 3<sup>o</sup> July, in the 5th Year of his Reign, hath demised to the Petitioner, for 99 Years, commencing from the 30th of November 1695, about Two Acres of Land, with some old ruinous Houses and Stables, near *Hide-Park*, in the County of *Middlesex*; and which were, amongst other Things, demised by King *Charles* the Second, by Letters Patents dated the 17th of June, in the 17th Year of his Reign, unto *Thomas* late Lord *Culpeper*, in Trust for *James Hamilton* Esquire, the Petitioner's late Husband, who was for many Years Grooin of the Bed-chamber to his said late Majesty, for 31 Years, from the 30th of November, then last past, for the good and acceptable Services done by the Petitioner's said Husband: That the said Houses

and Premises were, at the time the Petitioner renewed the said Lease, so ruinous, that little or no Profit could be made thereof; and therefore his Majesty was pleased to grant the Petitioner a long Lease thereof: That the Petitioner, and her Tenants, have already laid out above 500*l.* and are still laying out more Money, in improving the said Premises; by which means the Rents, at the Expiration of the said Term, will be very much augmented: And praying, That she may be heard, by her Counsel, before the Bill passes, for resuming the *English* Grants since the Year 1684; or that she may have a Clause inserted therein, for the saving of her Right in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of *Abraham Harrison* Woollendraper was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That his present Majesty, and the late Queen *Mary*, did grant to the Earl of *Jerzey*, by their Letters Patents dated the 3d Day of June, in the 4th Year of their Reign, all that their Manor of *West-Ashford*, in the County of *Devon*, for 99 Years, to commence after the Expiration of a Lease for 25 Years, granted, by King *Charles* the Second, to Sir *Amias Pollard* Baronet, which ended the 1st of April last: That the said Earl did, in Consideration of 300*l.* by Indenture dated the 9th of May 1695, assign the said Letters Patents, and all his Title to the Manor and Premises, to the Petitioner: That the said 300*l.* was laid out in order for the Petitioner's Wife, who as yet hath received no Profit thereof: And praying a Clause may be inserted, for the saving of the Petitioner's Right to the said Manor and Premises, in the Bill, now before this House, for resuming the Grants of Lands, and other Revenues, since the 6th of February 1684, and applying the same to the Use of the Publick.

Resumption  
of Grants.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to enable *Richard Bigg* to charge Part of his Estate, in the County of *Hertford*, with the Payment of his Debts, be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Bigg's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill for furnishing the Town of *New Deale* with fresh Water was read the Third time.

Deale  
Waterworks.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for furnishing the Town of *New Deale* with fresh Water.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Robert Davers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Bill for recovering, securing, and keeping in Repair, the Harbour of *Minehead*, for the Benefit and Support of the Navigation and Trade of this Kingdom, was, according to Order, read a second time.

Minehead  
Harbour.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Francis Warr*, Mr. *Lutterell*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Pendarvis*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Sir *Edward Stradling*, Mr. *Morgan*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Freeman*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Phil. Sydenham*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *John Trevillian*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Monckton*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Clerke*, Sir *John Kaye*, Mr. *Roberts*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Sir *Charles Hotham*, Mr. *Etterick*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Devon*, *Cornwall*, and *Somerset*, and for *Wales*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

A Petition of the Sheriff, Justices of the Peace, and Grand Jury, of the County of *Somerset*, at the Assizes held

Bridgwater  
Bridge, &c.

held at *Taunton*, the Eighth of April One thousand Seven hundred and One, with several other Gentlemen, Freeholders, Tradesmen, and other Inhabitants, in and near *Bridgwater*, in the County adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by an Act made in the 9th and 10th Years of his present Majesty, for repairing, enlarging, and preserving, the Bridge and Key of the Borough of *Bridgwater*, in the County of *Somerset*, a Power is given to the Mayor, Aldermen, Burgesses, and Commonalty, or major Part of them, in Council assembled, to lay and levy One Shilling per Ton on all Goods and Merchandizes; which hath raised near 300*l.* yearly: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill, or Clause, for enforcing an Account to be given, upon Oath, at the next General Quarter Sessions, That, when it shall appear the said Bridge and Key shall be sufficiently repaired and amended, and the Monies, for that Purpose borrowed, repaid with Interest, the said Duties may cease.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee: And that they have Power to receive a Clause, according to the Prayer of the said Petition.

Answer to  
Address.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That their Address, in relation to the paying the Seamen, having been presented to his Majesty, his Majesty had been pleased to give Directions therein accordingly.

Lynn Work-  
houses.

A Bill for the erecting Hospitals and Work-houses within the Borough of *King's-Lynn*, in the County of *Norfolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor there, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Compton*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Mr. *Ash*, Sir *Charles Bloys*, Sir *Jacob Ashly*, Mr. *Moncton*, Colonel *Lee*, Mr. *Clarke*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *St. John*, Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Richard Cox*, Mr. *Hervey*, Sir *William Ellis*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Halford*, Mr. *Proby*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Leigh*, Sir *Francis Massam*, Mr. *Morgan*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Birch*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Norfolke*, *Suffolke*, and *Cambridge*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do leave out of the Bill the Clause, which exempts the Officers to be employed in the Execution, or by virtue of the Act, from the Penalties in the Act made in the 25th Year of King *Charles* the Second, for preventing the Dangers which may happen from Popish Recusants.

Insolvent  
Debtors.

A Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for the inquiring into, and effectual punishing, the Abuses in the Execution of the last Act for discharging poor Prisoners.

Committee  
of Privileges.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections be discharged from hearing any more Causes this Session, touching Elections, after the Four next Causes in Course.

Kent Peti-  
tion.

A Petition from several Gentlemen of the County of *Kent* being offered to the House;

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be brought up to the Table.

And it was brought up accordingly.

And the House being informed, That several of the Gentlemen, who signed the said Petition, were at the Door, ready to own the same;

They were called in accordingly; viz.

Mr. *William Colepeper*, Mr. *Thomas Colepeper*, Mr. *David Polhill*, Mr. *Justinian Champneys*, and Mr. *William Hamilton*:

And they, at the Bar, owned the same Petition, and their Hands to the same.

And then they withdrew.

And the Petition was read, intituled, The humble Petition of the Gentlemen, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, and other Freeholders, at the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace holden at *Maidston*, in *Kent*, the 29th Day of April, in the 13th Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King *William* the Third, over *England*, &c.; setting forth, That they, deeply concerned at the Dangerous Estate of this Kingdom, and of all *Europe*; and considering, that the Fate of them, and their Posterity, depends on the Wisdom of their Representatives in Parliament; think themselves bound in Duty humbly to lay before this Honourable House the Consequence, in this Conjunction, of a speedy Resolution, and most sincere Endeavour, to answer the great Trust reposed in their said Representatives by the Country: And in regard that, from the Experience of all Ages, it is manifest no Nation can be great or happy without Union, they hope no Pretence whatsoever shall be able to create a Misunderstanding among ourselves, or the least Distrust of his Majesty, whose great Actions for this Nation are writ in the Hearts of his Subjects, and can never, without the blackest Ingratitude, be forgot: And praying, That this House will have Regard to the Voice of the People; that our Religion and Safety may be effectually provided for; that the loyal Addresses of this House may be turned into Bills of Supply; and that his Majesty may be enabled powerfully to assist his Allies, before it is too late.

*Resolved*, That the said Petition is scandalous, insolent, and seditious; tending to destroy the Constitution of Parliaments, and to subvert the established Government of this Realm. Resolved to be scandalous.

*Resolved*, That Mr. *William Colepeper* is guilty of promoting the said Petition. And Promoters ordered into Custody.

*Resolved*, That Mr. *Thomas Colepeper* is guilty of promoting the said Petition.

*Resolved*, That Mr. *David Polhill* is guilty of promoting the said Petition.

*Resolved*, That Mr. *Justinian Champneys* is guilty of promoting the said Petition.

*Resolved*, That Mr. *William Hamilton* is guilty of promoting the said Petition.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *William Colepeper* be, for the said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Thomas Colepeper* be, for the said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *David Polhill* be, for the said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Justinian Champneys* be, for the said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *William Hamilton* be, for the said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had been pleased, by him, to send to this House a most gracious Message in Writing, signed by his Majesty; and that, there being mentioned therein several Papers, he has the same to produce: And he delivered the said Message, and Papers, in at the Table. Message from the King—Demand of Succours by Holland.

And the Message was read by Mr. Speaker; and is as followeth; viz.

WILLIAM R.

HIS Majesty having lately received an Account, from Mr. *Stanhope*, of the present Posture of Affairs in *Holland*; and likewise a Letter from the States General, which is of the greatest Importance: And his Majesty, who



who has so perfect a Knowledge of their Country, being intirely convinced of the Hardship of their present Condition, and the great Pressures they now lie under, which are particularly expressed in the above-mentioned Letter; has thought it absolutely necessary to communicate the same to this House, that the Expectation the States have of present Assistance from his Majesty may more fully appear; and his Majesty does not doubt but this House will be so justly sensible of those immediate Dangers to which they stand exposed, as to take the same into their most serious and effectual Consideration; it being most evident, that the Safety of *England*, as well as the very Being of *Holland*, does very much depend upon your Resolutions in this Matter.

*Kensington*, May 8, 1701.

Then a Letter from the States General to his Majesty was read; which is as followeth; *viz.*

SIR,

SINCE the Protestation was made to your Majesty, in our last Letter of 23d April, not to enter into any Negotiation with *France* but in Concert with *England*, we have judged it proper to ask Count *d'Avaux*, Ambassador Extraordinary from his most Christian Majesty, if he was inclined and authorized to enter again upon the Negotiation, in the manner it was begun jointly with the Minister of Your Majesty, as Your Majesty will see by our Resolution of the 2d of this Month, here inclosed: Count *d'Avaux*, having sent it to his most Christian Majesty, after the Return of his Express, presented a Memorial, of which we likewise add a Copy to this Letter: We immediately communicated it to Mr. *Stanhope*, Your Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary; and, having consulted with him about it, we found some Things obscure in the said Memorial; which made us doubt of the true Meaning of it: Therefore we thought it necessary to acquaint the said Count *d'Avaux* with the Letter we had the Honour to write to Your Majesty the 23d of April last past; and that we were not engaged to take any Measures in the Negotiation but in Concert with Your Majesty. Count *d'Avaux* made Answer to our Deputies, That he was come hither to treat about the Means of preserving the general Peace, and establishing our particular Safety: That, if we would concert thereupon with your Majesty, he had nothing to object against it; and that he was content, that Your Majesty's Envoy should assist at the Conferences that are to be held on that Subject; but that he was not at all authorized to enter into Negotiation with him about the Concerns of *England*, which were to be treated elsewhere. To which our Deputies represented, That, in the Preservation of the general Peace, in which Your Majesty is equally concerned with us, our Safety could no-ways be separated from that of *England*: That the Interest therein was common to both the Two Nations; and that, in the present Negotiation, Your Majesty could not, without doing You Wrong, be looked upon otherwise than as a principal Party, as well as we: But, notwithstanding the many Instances, and all the Reasons, our Deputies could allege, Count *d'Avaux* persisted in his aforesaid Answer; saying, That he had no other Orders: That he would send our Resolutions, of which Your Majesty will find herewith a Copy, to the Court of *France*; without giving the least Hopes of receiving an Answer, agreeable to our Sense of Matters. Upon the Report which was made to us of this Matter, we judged, That by this means the Interest of *England* would be separated from those of our Republick, whereas we think them inseparable: And since it is evident, that they are so, we could draw no other Conclusion from this Proceeding, than that *France* has a mind to put an End to these Conferences; and to grant none of the Securities demanded, and which are so necessary for the Preservation of Your Majesty's Kingdoms, and of our State. We are obliged to make all this known to Your Majesty; and do again protest, That, our Interests being the same with those of Your Majesty, in this present Negotiation, and not to be separated one from the other, we will not suffer them by any

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means to be divided. At the same time, Sir, we cannot but represent to Your Majesty the great Need we have of being assisted without Loss of Time, if we will prevent the Ruin which threatens us, and the evident Danger we are in. Your Majesty knows perfectly well the State of our Affairs, and will easily judge, if it be possible, in the Condition we are, to resist the Forces of *France*, so much superior to ours; which was the Reason of our earnest Request to Your Majesty, to perform the Treaty made, with the Approbation of the Parliament, in the Year 1678, between King *Charles* the Second, of glorious Memory, and this State. We do now repeat our most pressing Instances, That we may have speedily the Succours stipulated, and the intire Effect of the said Treaty. We hope Your Majesty will seriously consider the State we are in, especially after the positive Assurance Your Majesty has given us, That Your Parliament had resolved to interest themselves with Vigour for our Preservation; and to assist us, in our present Necessity, by furnishing the Succours agreed on. We will acquaint Your Majesty with the Posture *France* puts itself in; and Your Majesty will thereby judge, whether our Fear is ill-grounded, which animates our Demands. *France*, not being satisfied with having taken Possession of all the Places that belonged to *Spain* in the *Netherlands*, does daily put into them, and causes actually to march thither, very formidable Forces. They are drawing a Line from the *Scheld*, near *Antwerp*, to the *Maes*; and beginning another Line, as we are informed, from *Antwerp* to *Ostend*: They send to the Places which are nearest to our Frontiers, a very great Number of Cannon: They erect, with all Diligence, a great many Magazines in *Flanders*, *Brabant*, *Gelders*, and at *Namur*; which they fill with all Sorts of Ammunition, and Provision for War; besides the vast Quantity of Forage they lay up every-where: They build Forts under the Cannon of our Towns: Moreover, they have endeavoured, and do still endeavour without ceasing, to separate the Princes our Friends from our Interest, and to engage them in \* our Alliance, or at least to a Neutrality. In fine, our Friends are made useless to us by the Intrigues and Divisions in the Empire, and those of *France* augmented; so that we are surrounded on all Sides, except by Sea. You see, Sir, without any Disguise, the true State and Condition to which we are reduced, without the Addition of any thing but what is Matter of Fact. This makes us hope, that, as Your Majesty knows perfectly well our Affairs, You will agree with us, that our Condition at present is worse than it was during the last War; and worse than if we were actually in War; since they build Forts under the Cannon of our strong Places, and make Lines along our Frontiers; and that we cannot hinder them, as we could do, if we were in War. These Reasons oblige us to put ourselves in a defensive Condition, more than if we were actually attacked; to put our Country under Water, and even to cut our Dikes, to secure our Frontiers: We find ourselves forced to make use of these Means, and whatever else we could have done in an open War; insomuch that our Subjects suffer already more than they did in the last War. Hitherto the Winter has been some sort of a small Security to us: That Season is now past, and we do expect every Moment to be invaded and over-run, unless we are speedily succoured: We do promise it ourselves from You, Sir; especially since it has pleased Your Majesty to assure us, That Your Parliament had taken favourable Resolutions in our behalf; and, as our Necessity is very pressing, so we beseech Your Majesty to consider well the Extremity we are in; and the Impossibility we are under of avoiding the Ruin and Overthrow of our State, if we are left in this Condition. Sir, we believe the Interests of *England* so closely united to ours, that we will expose ourselves to all Events, rather than suffer them to be separated, or to take any other Measures than in Concert with Your Majesty. It is very needless to represent to Your Majesty, That the Preservation of Your own Kingdoms should engage you to prevent our Ruin, seeing we think their Loss is inseparable from ours. The Reasons, Sir, are better known to You than

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than to us, as well as the fatal Consequences they will be exposed to in leaving us in this Condition; which persuades us, that, by your Majesty's great Prudence, and the good Intentions of your Parliament, You will direct all Things so, as to let *Europe* see, that nothing is more conducing to its Safety, than the Alliances with *England*, and Your Friendship for us. We expect without Delay the Succours, and the Performance of the afore-mentioned Treaty; and pray to God, Sir, to preserve Your Majesty's Sacred Person in a long State of Health, and Your Dominions in a flourishing Prosperity. At the *Hague*, 13th of May 1701.

Your Majesty's very humble Servants,  
The States General of the *United Provinces*,  
*J. Wichers.*

By Order of the States.  
*J. Fagel.*

And a Letter from Mr. *Stanhope* to Mr. Secretary *Hedges* was read; which is as followeth; viz.

Copy of Mr. *Stanhope's* Letter to Mr. Secretary *Hedges*, dated at the *Hague*, the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1701.

SIR,

THE Conference, I told you in my last, the States Deputies had invited me to for next Morning, was, to acquaint me in Form with the Count *d'Avaur's* last Memorial, a Copy whereof I then also sent you; and to consider what was fit to be done next. I answered, That was wholly their Business, and not properly mine, further than to serve them, as I should be always ready to do; for, as to all Affairs of the King my Master, I was as much excluded from the Conferences by this Memorial, as by Monsieur *d'Avaur's* former Answer; and desired it might be read before them: They were all of the same Opinion. I proposed then, That it would be convenient to be informed, whether Monsieur *d'Avaur* understood it in the same Manner; which they approved: And considering of the Manner, it was agreed, The only proper Way for them was, to demand a Conference with him. To that the Pensionary objected, That . . . had already one Conference without me: If they should have another, it might . . . Occasion to some ill-minded People to blow it abroad, as if the States were treating something for their own particular Interests, separate from those of *England*. I easily obviated that, by saying, That, as I had represented to his Majesty their former Conference in quite different Colours, as a Product of their great Respect and Veneration of his Majesty, that they would not expose his Minister to Monsieur *d'Avaur's* Caprices, till they knew from himself how he should be received; and the Conference now proposed would be justified by the same Reasons, since it was designed only for the further clearing of the same Point, as I engaged to inform you that it was. Being satisfied with this, they resolved on a Conference; and, after having had it at Five in the Evening Yesterday, they desired me to meet their Deputies this Morning at Eleven; and delivered me the inclosed Copy of their Resolution, which was the Substance of the Conference on their Part. Monsieur *d'Avaur's* Answer was; He had no Orders to admit me at the Conferences with them on any other Terms; but, upon their repeated Instances, he would write again to the King his Master for a further Eclaircissement; though he believed nothing would be altered. I found them in great Apprehensions of some sudden Invasion from the *French*, by fresh Advices from *Flanders* of extraordinary Motions of their Troops there; and Letters writ to the Governors of all the Towns, not to be opened till such a Day, and then immediately executed, all on the same Day; more Forces coming into the Country, and Transports of prodigious Quantities of Cannon, Mortars, Bombs, Ammunition, from several Parts, towards their Frontiers: And, for these Reasons, they resolved to write this Post to Monsieur *Guildermalsen*, to move his Majesty again for the Succours they expected from *England*; and desired me to do the same; as I perform, by letting you know it.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, take into Consideration his Majesty's most gracious Message.

Sir *Bartholomew Shower*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee, to whom it was referred to draw up Articles of Impeachment against the Lords impeached, the Articles of Impeachment against *Edward Earl of Orford*; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read; and are as follow; viz.

Earl of  
Orford's Im-  
peachment.

Articles exhibited by the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeses, in Parliament assembled, in the Name of themselves, and of all the Commons of *England*, against *Edward Earl of Orford*, in Maintenance of their Impeachment against him for high Crimes and Misdemeanors.

THAT whereas, for many Years past, there hath been a long and expensive War, both by Sea and Land, carried on by his Majesty, and his Allies, against the *French King*, for the preserving the Balance of *Europe*, and for preventing the Growth of the immoderate Power of the said *French King*; towards the Prosecution of which War, great Sums of Money have been given and levied by Authority of Parliament; and many Debts have been contracted, which remain a very heavy Burden upon the People of *England*; the said Earl being then of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, but always preferring his private Interest to the Good of the Publick, and taking Advantage of the ready Access he had to his Majesty's Person during the Continuance of the said War, in Violation of his Duty and Trust, hath procured from his Majesty One or more Grant or Grants of several Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, within the Kingdom of *England* or *Ireland*, or elsewhere within his Majesty's Dominions, of a great yearly Value, and also of exorbitant Sums of Money, to be made to him, or others in Trust for him, but to his Use; the Profits whereof he now enjoys; whereby the standing Revenues of the Crown of *England*, which ought to be applied to the Service of the Publick, are greatly diminished, and the People of *England* thereby burdened with Debts, and subjected to grievous Taxes.

2. That, in Breach of the Trust reposed in him, whilst he was Commander in chief of the Navy Royal of *England*, in or near the *Streights of Gibraltar*, and within the Time aforesaid, he the said Earl did receive great Sums of the publick Money, issued out to him for the Service of the Navy, which he hath converted to his own private Use; and unlawfully and unjustly procured a Privy Seal, or Privy Seals, to discharge him from accounting to the Publick for the same; and also hath received other great Sums of Money from his Majesty's Exchequer, as Paymaster or Receiver General of the Navy, without giving a due and legal Account thereof; whereby he hath occasioned great Clamours and Discontents among the Seamen, and others, belonging to his Majesty's Navy; who are thereby reduced to great Miseries and Necessities, for want of their just Dues; to the great Discouragement and Discredit of the publick Service.

3. That he the said Earl, while he was in several Ports belonging to the King of *Spain's* Dominions, did receive from the said King of *Spain*, and others, considerable Sums of Money, and great Quantities of Wine, Oil, and other Provisions, for the Fleet, to a very great Value; for all which he ought to have accounted; but the said Earl did convert the same to his own Use, and did either imbezzle those Provisions, or reckon them as bought with the Money allowed for furnishing the Navy with fresh Provisions: And that, for the advancing his own private Interest, and securing himself for rendering any Account to the Publick, he the said Earl, during the said War, procured, enjoyed, and possessed, divers great Offices, which were inconsistent, and in their Nature improper to be executed by one and the same Person, and which ought to be, and, by the Laws and Usages of this Realm, were and

and are appointed and designed as Checks one upon the other; in Breach of the said Laws, to the Dishonour of his Majesty, and Prejudice of his People.

4. That the said Earl, within the Time aforesaid, hath clandestinely, contrary to the Law of Nations, sold, and disposed of several Vessels, with their Ladings and Cargo, taken, under Pretence of Prize, by his Majesty's Ships of War, without Condemnation, or judicial Proceeding, and converted the Money to his own Use; well knowing, if they had been condemned, as by Law they ought to have been, One-tenth, after Customs allowed, and One-third Part of the Value thereof, the Customs, and the said Tenth, being deducted, are, by Act of Parliament, appropriated to especial Uses; by which Proceedings the Publick has been greatly endamaged and defrauded, and the Debts of the Nation increased.

5. And whereas Complaints have been made to the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, where the said Earl at that Time presided, by the Company trading to the *East Indies*, of divers Piracies committed in the South-east Seas, to the Destruction of their Trade; desiring they might have Letters of Marque granted to them, whereby to be empowered, though at their own Charge, to suppress such Pirates; but the said Earl, preferring his own Interest, discouraged and rejected their Request and Proposal; and in some short Time after, jointly with others, did procure a Commission for one *William Kidd*; as likewise a Grant under the Great Seal of *England*, to and for the Use of him the said Earl, and others of the Ships and Goods of certain Persons therein named, and also of all Goods found on board the said Ships: And the said Company, having Intimation of a Commission granted to the said *Kidd*, being apprehensive of the ill Consequence of the same, did apply themselves to the said Board of Admiralty, desiring to know what Powers and Instructions were given; but such their reasonable Request was denied; and *Kidd*, who was known to be a Person of ill Fame and Reputation, ordered to pursue the intended Voyage, in which he did commit divers Piracies and Depredations on the high Seas, being thereto encouraged through the Hopes of being protected by the high Station and Interest of the said Earl; in Violation of the Law of Nations, and the Interruption and Discouragement of the Trade of *England*.

6. That the said Earl, within the Time aforesaid, when an horrid Conspiracy was discovered against his Majesty's Sacred Person, and the Kingdom was under an Apprehension of an immediate Invasion from *France*; and divers Ships of War, particularly the Ship *Duchess*, were armed out, equipped, and manned, in Defence of the Realm; to oppose the intended Invasion, did his utmost Endeavour to prejudice and weaken the Navy Royal of *England*; for that the said Earl, by colour of his Office, being then First Commissioner for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, without the Privity of the other Commissioners, contrary to his Oath and Duty, and preferring his Hopes of Gain to himself to the Safety of the Publick, did order Captain *Steward*, Commander of the Ship *Duchess*, to deliver over, and put on board the said *Kidd*, mentioned in the foregoing Article, out of the said Ship the *Duchess*, a great Number of able Seamen, levied and provided at the Expence of the Publick, and then discharging their Duty in Defence of their Country; and against their own Consent; to the Prejudice of the publick Security, and to the endangering of the said Ship the *Duchess*, if it had been attacked by the Enemy.

7. That the said Earl, during the said War, and at a Time of the greatest Exigency and Necessity, when Ships, Men, and Money, were wanting to guard the Seas, and protect our Trade, did, by Misrepresentations, and contrary to his bounden Duty, and the Trust reposed in him, procure a Grant, or Order, for his Majesty's Ship the *Dolphin*, then fitted out, manned, and equipped, for the Service of the Publick, to be employed in a private Voyage and Undertaking for the Advantage of himself, and others concerned with him; in pursuance whereof, and for their private Gain, the said Ship was, at the

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publick Expence, continued in foreign Parts for several Months; to the Destruction and Loss of his Majesty's Subjects on board the same; to the Weakening the Navy, by rendering the said Ship unserviceable, and the Increasing the Debts of the Publick.

8. That the said Earl, during the Time of his commanding the Navy Royal of *England*, did, through Neglect and in Contempt of Orders, unnecessarily hazard, and expose to imminent Danger, the said Navy; and that, during the Time aforesaid, having had many Opportunities of taking or destroying the Ships belonging to the *French King*, the said Earl, contrary to Advice, in Disobedience to Orders, and in Neglect of his Duty, did suffer and permit the said Ships to return safe into their own Harbours.

9. That the said Earl, well knowing our Sovereign Lord the King to have been engaged in several Alliances with the Emperor of *Germany*, and other Princes and States, particularly in a Treaty concluded with his Imperial Majesty, in the Year of our Lord 1689; the End and Intention of all which Leagues and Treaties were, to prevent the Growth of the Power of the *French King*, and to secure *England*, and the ancient Allies of *England*, against the same; did, notwithstanding, in Concert with other false and evil Counsellors, advise our said Sovereign Lord the King, in the Year 1698, to enter into one Treaty for dividing the Monarchy and Dominions of *Spain*; in pursuance whereof, in the Year 1699, one other Treaty was entered into, to the like Purpose; by which Treaties, great Injustice was done to the Emperor, an ancient Ally of our said Sovereign Lord the King; and a large Part of the said *Spanish* Dominions were to be added to the Crown of *France*; both which Treaties were prejudicial to the Interest of the Protestant Religion all over *Europe*, ruinous to the Trade of *England*, and dishonourable to our Sovereign Lord the King, and the People of these Kingdoms.

All which Crimes and Misdemeanors were committed and done by him the said Earl, against our Sovereign Lord the King, his Crown and Dignity, the Peace and Interest of this Kingdom, and in Breach of the several Trusts reposed in him the said Earl.

10. And he the said Earl of *Orford* was one of the Lords Justices during his Majesty's Absence, beyond the Seas, the First Commissioner for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Navy Royal, and one of his Majesty's Privy Council, and Treasurer of his Majesty's Navy, or in some or one of the said Stations, during the Time that all and every the Crimes before set forth were done and committed.

That the said Commons, by Protestation, saving to themselves the Liberty of exhibiting, at any Time hereafter, any other Accusation or Impeachment against the said Earl; and also of replying to his Answers, or to any of them; and of offering Proofs to all the said Premises, or any of them; or any other Impeachment or Accusation that shall be exhibited by them, as the Case shall, according to the Course of Parliament, require; do pray and demand, That the said Earl may be put to answer for all and every of the Premises; and that such Proceedings, Examinations, Tryals, and Judgments, may be, upon every of them, had and used, as is agreeable to Law and Justice.

*Resolved*, That the said Articles be read a Second time, Article by Article.

And the same were severally read a Second time; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto, by the House, to be the Articles of Impeachment against the said Earl of *Orford*.

*Ordered*, That the said Articles of Impeachment be ingrossed.

*Resolved*, That such Witnesses, as are necessary to be made use of in relation to the said Impeachment, have the Protection of this House during their Attendance upon that Service.

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*Ordered*,

Earl of  
Orford's Im-  
peachment.

Countess of  
Anglesey's  
Separation.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for separating *James* Earl of *Anglesey* from *Catharine* Countess of *Anglesey* his Wife, for the Cruelty of the said Earl, be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Regulating  
Elections.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the preventing Bribery, and other undue Practices, in Elections; and for preserving the Dignity and Constitution of Parliament.

Privilege of  
Parliament.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the . . . House, upon the Bill for preventing any Inconveniency, that may happen by Privilege of Parliament.

Limitation of  
the Crown.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject, was committed, be made upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 9° die Maii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

Resumption  
of Grants.

**A** PETITION of the Vicars of *Pool, Guilfield, and Myrod*, in the County of *Montgomery*, and of *St. Chad's* and *St. Mary's* in the Town of *Shrewsbury*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That his present Majesty, and the late Queen *Mary*, having, by their Letters Patents, granted to Trustees, for the Use of the Petitioners, the Benefit of a certain Lease of the Appropriate Tythes of the said Parishes of *Pool, Guilfield, Myrod, and Buttington*, in the said County of *Montgomery*; which Lease was held, by the Marquis of *Powys*; of the Dean and Chapter of *Christ Church*; and was, upon his Lordship's Attainder, forfeited to their Majesties: And praying, That this House will except the said Grant out of the Bill of Re-assumption, now lying before this House.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Sale of Lands  
in South  
Pickenham.

*Sir William Hustler* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the vesting and settling certain Manors and Lands in *South Pickenham*, and other Places, in the County of *Norfolk*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for laying out the Monies, arising by Sale thereof, in the Purchase of other Lands, to be settled to such and the same Uses, as the said Manors and Lands, so to be vested, are and stand settled; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Fawconer's  
Estate.

*Sir Richard Cox* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the vesting and settling several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements belonging to *John Fawconer* Esquire, in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts, was committed, That they had heard the Counsel for *Edmund Fawconer* (whose Petition was referred to them); and that he had not made good the Allegations of his Petition; and

that the Committee had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Petition of Captain *John Clements*, Captain *William Fasby*, and Captain *David Lambert*, on behalf of themselves, and all other the superannuated Commission and Warrant Sea Officers, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, being grown old in the Service of their Country, and thereby, and by Loss of Limbs at Sea, and otherwise, disabled for the publick Service, have, according to the usual Course and Usage of the Navy, been allowed certain Pensions towards the Support of themselves and Families: And praying, That such their Pensions (which is but a bare Subsistence for themselves and Families) may not be charged, by the Bill now depending in this House, for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expence of his Navy.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of Captain *John Wimptney* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner served in Major General *Erl's* Regiment in *Ireland*, and afterwards in *Flanders*: And praying, That he may be admitted into the List of Half-pay with the rest of the Officers.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee appointed to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay be made.

A Bill to enable the Sale of some Parts of the Estate of *Rawlin Mallock* Esquire, deceased, for discharging the Monies, Debts, and Charges thereupon, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Sir Edward Seymour*, *Sir Isaac Rebow*, *Sir Barth. Shower*, *Sir Christopher Musgrave*, *Mr. Gwynne*, *Mr. Williams*, *Mr. Hammond*, *Sir Robert Clayton*, *Sir Robert Daxers*, *Sir William Coriton*, *Mr. Prideaux*, *Mr. Stonehouse*, *Mr. Thornhagh*, *Mr. Fuller*, *Mr. Pitt*, *Mr. England*, *Mr. King*, *Mr. Gorge*, *Sir John Kay*, *Mr. Taylor*, *Mr. Rigby*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Cornwall*, *Devon*, and *Somerset*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

A Petition of *George Cockram* Gentleman, and others, on behalf of themselves, and several other Purchasers of the Tythes of *Collumpton*, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That whereas a Bill hath been brought into this Honourable House to enable *Rawlin Mallock*, Cousin of *Rawlin Mallock* Esquire, deceased, to sell some Part of his Estate, for discharging the Monies, Debts, and Charges, thereon: That the said *Rawlin Mallock*, deceased, by his Deeds of the 4th and 5th of *June*, 3° *Jacobi 2di*, vested Part of his Estate, particularly the *Sheafe* of *Collumpton*, in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts mentioned in a Schedule thereunto annexed; upon which a Decree in Chancery was had for Sale of such Estates; and the Petitioners purchased under such Decree, and paid the Purchase-money: But the said *Rawlin Mallock* being indebted to the King, by Bond, at the Time of his Death, an Extent was brought against the said Estate; and the Petitioners were forced to bring their Bill in Chancery, for an Injunction to stay the same; and the Cause lies now ready for Hearing; That the Petitioners will be greatly prejudiced, if the said *Mallock* shall be at Liberty to extend any of the said Debt, due to the King, upon the Lands so purchased: And praying that some Provision may

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may be made in the said Bill, that the Petitioners may not be prejudiced by any Assignment over of his Majesty's Title to the said *Mallock*, or any in Trust for him.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Philip Boteler* have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Leigh* have Leave to go into the Country, his Wife being very ill.

Privilege—  
A Person  
petitions for  
Discharge.

A Petition of *John Perks*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, for being guilty of indirect Practices in relation to the Election of *William Coatesworth* Esquire, a Member for *Great Grimsby*, was presented to the House, and read; acknowledging his Fault, and begging Pardon for the same: And praying to be released from his Confinement.

*Ordered*, That the said *John Perks* be brought to the Bar To-morrow Morning, in order to his being discharged.

Countess of  
Anglesey's  
Separation.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for separating *James* Earl of *Anglesey* from *Catherine* Countess of *Anglesey* his Wife, for the Cruelty of the said Earl, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* come Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House upon the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the Petition of the Earl of *Anglesey* (which lies upon the Table) be referred to the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Earl and Countess of *Anglesey* be heard, if they think fit, by their Counsel, before the said Committee.

Dillon's  
Divorce.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for dissolving the Marriage of Sir *John Dillon* with *Mary Boyle*; and for other Purposes therein mentioned; be read To-morrow Morning.

Earl of  
Orford's Im-  
peachment.

The ingrossed Articles of Impeachment against *Edward* Earl of *Orford* were read.

*Ordered*, That the said Articles of Impeachment be carried up to the Lords.

*Ordered*, That Colonel *Byerly* do carry up the said Articles of Impeachment to the Lords; and that he do also demand, That the Earl of *Orford* do give sufficient Security to abide the Judgment of the House of Lords.

Privilege—  
A Person  
surrenders.

Mr Speaker acquainted the House, That *William Adj*, against whom a Proclamation was issued for his being apprehended, had Yesterday surrendered himself into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

Killiw's  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Debts of *Christopher Killiw* Esquire; and for raising Portions and Maintenance for his Brothers and Sisters, in pursuance of his Father's Will; without any Amendments: Also,

Hyde's  
Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of *Humphrey Hyde* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, for raising Portions for his younger Children: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Earl of  
Orford's Im-  
peachment.

Colonel *Byerly*, reported, That he had, according to Order, carried up to the Lords the Articles of Impeachment against the Earl of *Orford*; and had demanded, That the said Earl do give sufficient Security to abide the Judgment of the House of Lords.

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The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration his Majesty's most gracious Message Yesterday: And the same; and the Letter from the States General to his Majesty; and also the Letter from Mr. *Stanhope* to Mr. Secretary *Hedges*; were again read.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That this House will effectually assist his Majesty to support his Allies in maintaining the Liberties of *Europe*; and will immediately provide Succours for the States General, according to the Treaty of the Third of March One thousand Six hundred Seventy-seven.

*Resolved*, That the said Resolution be presented to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That the said Resolution be presented to his Majesty by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do humbly know his Majesty's Pleasure, when he will be attended by this House.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will please to give Order, That an Estimate be laid before this House of the Charge of the Succours for the States General, according to the Treaty of the Third of March One thousand Six hundred Seventy-seven.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

The House being informed, That the Counsel for the Persons, who advanced, and paid in to his Majesty's Exchequer, the Sum of Five hundred and Sixty-four thousand Seven hundred Pounds, upon the Credit of the Act for laying Duties upon Coals and Culm attended;

They were called in; and heard, according to Order, at the Bar, upon their Petition.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garrisons, for one Year; and for other necessary Occasions.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

A Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Earl of *Dysert*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *Mitchell*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Hammond*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Sir *Thomas Littleton*, Sir *Charles Bloys*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Rowny*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Taylor*, Mr. *Buller*, Sir *Rushout Cullen*, Mr. *Stonchouse*, Mr. *Markes*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Wortley*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Mannaton*, Mr. *Thynne*, Mr. *Gape*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Godolphin*, Sir *Will. Hickman*, Mr. *Rigby*, Mr. *Cooper*, Mr. *Monckton*, Sir *Francis Child*, Mr. *Goreing*, Mr. *Cotton*, Mr. *Byrch*, Mr. *Jolly*, Sir *Rice Rudd*, Sir *Christopher Musgrove*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Bertie*: And all that come are to have Voices: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do make Provision therein for *Wales*.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.



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## PRAYERS.

Deane's  
Estate.

A BILL for Sale of the Estate of *James Deane*; and for securing the Monies raised thereby for the Benefit of himself and Family, according to the Settlement thereof; was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Lord Cornbury, Mr. Thornaugh, Mr. Stonehouse, Mr. Bulkley, Mr. Bertie, Mr. Northmore, Mr. Mompesson, Mr. Offley, Mr. Scobell, Mr. Kendall, Mr. Shackerley, Mr. Williams, Mr. Bucknall, Sir Edward Norris, Mr. Wild, Sir Henry Bunbury, Sir Rowland Gwynne, Mr. Clerke, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Pope, Mr. England, Mr. Pendarvis, Mr. Harley, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Trenchard, Mr. Renda, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Reynier, Mr. Cross, Mr. Lake, Colonel Craeford, Mr. Blofield, Mr. Balch, Sir Humphrey Mackworth, Mr. Mounstevens, Mr. Gulston; and all that serve for the Counties of *Wilts, Berks, Southampton, and Oxon*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Leave of  
Absence.

Ordered That Sir *Richard Vyrian* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Mallock's  
Estate.

A Petition of *Richard Sydenham* Gentleman, and *Grace* his Wife, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Sir *Henry Cary*, Father of the Petitioner *Grace*, was, in King *Charles* the First's Time, seised, in Fee, of divers Manors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, situate in divers Counties in the West of *England*: That, by his Services for the said King, he did not only incur great Debts, but hazard his Life, for the Preservation whereof he was forced to fly into foreign Parts; but, before he left this Kingdom, he conveyed a great Part of his Estate to one *Roger Mallock* Esquire, upon Trust, for Payment of his Debts, and . . . provide for his Children; and, to protect the other Part from being forfeited, he lodged the same in the said *Mallock's* Hands, under colour of a Mortgage: That the Petitioners find, that a Bill is brought into this House, for Sale of all, or the greatest Part, of the said Estates come to the Hands of the said *Mallock*: And praying, That the said Bill may not pass, till they are restored to such Part of the said Estates as they have a Right to; and have their just Demands satisfied out of the other Part thereof.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Stanley's  
Estate.

Colonel *Stanley*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable Sir *Thomas Stanley* Baronet to charge his Estate with the Sum of Three thousand Pounds: And the same was received.

West Kirby  
Poor Estate.

Sir *Henry Bunbury* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of *Thomas Bennet*, late of *Newton cum Larton*, in the County of *Chester*, in Trustees, for the Use of the Poor of *West-Kirby*, pursuant to the Will of the said *Thomas Bennet*, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made one Amendment to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz.

P. 3. L. 12. after the Word "said," leave out "Descendants;" and, instead thereof, insert "Descendant."

Vaughan's  
Marriage  
Articles.

An ingrossed Bill to enable *William Vaughan* Esquire, and *Frances Vaughan* his intended Wife, being both under

the Age of One-and-twenty Years, to perform Articles made for their Marriage, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable *William Vaughan* Esquire, and *Frances Vaughan* his intended Wife, being both under the Age of One-and-twenty Years, to perform Articles made for their Marriage.

Ordered, That Sir *Rowland Gwynne* do carry the Bill to the Lords; and desire their Concurrence thereto.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for dissolving the Marriage of Sir *John Dillon* with *Mary Boyle*; and for other Purposes therein mentioned; was, according to Order, read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of Dame *Mary Dillon* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill, lately passed the House of Lords, for dissolving the Marriage of the Petitioner and her Husband Sir *John Dillon*: That the Petitioner, not having had any Subsistence from her said Husband for these Five Years and an Half, is reduced to great Want; so that she has not Money for Counsel and Solicitor to make her just Defence before this House, concerning the passing of the said Bill: And praying, That she may be heard by her Counsel; and that Sir *John Dillon* may be ordered to deposit such a Sum of Money with the Petitioner's Solicitor, as may be thought proper to enable her make her just Defence against the said Bill.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That he would be pleased to give Order for an Estimate of the Charge of the Succours for the States General, according to the Treaty of the Third of March One thousand Six hundred and Seventy-seven, to be laid before this House; his Majesty had given Orders for the same accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. *Long* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Ordered, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for transferring a Trust in Lands belonging to the City of *London*, unto new Trustees, be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next.

*John Perks* was, according to Order, brought to the Bar: Where he, upon his Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker.

Ordered, That the said *John Perks* be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Sir *John Bolls*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject, was committed, the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and then delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by leaving out the Clause for no Officers to be Members of the House of Commons.

Ordered, That the Serjeant do go, with the Mace, into *Westminster-hall*, and the Court of Request, and Places adjacent, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House.

And he went accordingly.

And, being returned;

And the Question being put, That the Clause stand Part of the Bill;

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It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made in the Clause relating to the Judges, to leave out "either House of Parliament;" and to insert "both Houses:" And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Then a Motion being made for the leaving out the whole Clause so amended;

And the Question being put, That the Clause stand Part of the Bill;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

King appoints to be attended.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had been pleased to appoint this House to attend him this Afternoon at Four a Clock, at *Kensington*.

Litchfield Election.

Sir *Rowland Grayne*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to the Committee, touching the Election for the City of *Litchfield*, and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the Petition of *Humphrey Wyrley* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of *Richard Dyott* Esquire; and also upon the Petition of Sir *Michael Biddulph* Baronet, complaining of an undue Return of *William Walmsley* Esquire; to serve for the City of *Litchfield*:

That the First Thing controverted before the Committee, was, the Right of Election: And *Litchfield* being anciently a Borough, and now, and for a long time past, a City and County, it was insisted for the Petitioner Mr. *Wyrley*, That the Right of Election was under a threefold Capacity; viz. In such as held by Burgage Tenure: In such as were Freeholders of 40 s. a Year: And in such as were Freemen, not receiving Alms. As to the first Two Qualifications, they were agreed by the Sitting Member's Counsel: But, as to the Third, it was by them restrained to such Freemen as did pay Scot and Lot.

That, upon the Poll, there was,

For Captain *Dyott* 176.

Mr. *Wyrley* 167.

But the said Mr. *Wyrley's* Counsel insisted, That they should take off so many from the Sitting Member's Poll, and add others to theirs, that would give them a Majority; and also should insist upon several indirect Practices by the Sitting Member.

But the First Thing they applied themselves to, was the Point of Right; and particularly to the Qualification of paying Scot and Lot by Freemen: And for that they called several Witnesses; viz.

*John Matlock*; who had known *Litchfield* 20 Years;

*John Lamb*; who had known Elections there 25 Years:

*William Frogatt*; who remembered 3 Elections:

*George Harding*; who had known *Litchfield* 30 Years;

By whose Evidence it appeared, That such who did not pay Scot and Lot, had all along, according to their Observations, voted in Elections of Members to serve in Parliament: And *Matlock* said, That in *St. Mary's* Parish, where was the fewest Poor, some Houses of 5 l. or 6 l. a Year did not pay to the Poors Rate; and they named several that did not pay, and had voted; and said, They never knew any refused till this Election.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel, as to this Point, called several Witnesses; viz.

*James Hammond*; who had known *Litchfield* 40 Years: And.

*Richard Wakefield*, the Town Clerk; who had known *Litchfield* 30 Years:

Who said, That though it was true, that such as did not pay Scot and Lot, had been polled; yet there had been several times Q's put upon them: And said, At this Election, such as did not pay, were excepted to, as well

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by the Petitioner as the Sitting Member: And the Books were called on both Sides; and such as did not pay, were struck out.

That it did not appear, That the Right of Election for this City had been ever settled in Parliament: And the Committee came to these Resolutions;

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Bailiff, Magistrates, Freeholders of 40 s. a Year, and all that hold by Burgage Tenure, have a Right to vote in the Election of Citizens to serve in Parliament for the City of *Litchfield*.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That such Freemen only of the said City, as are inrolled, and pay Scot and Lot, have also a Right to vote in the Election of Citizens to serve in Parliament for the said City of *Litchfield*.

That the Petitioner's Counsel then proceeded to give an Account of several, who, they alleged, had a Right to vote, and would have voted, for the Petitioner, and were refused: And they first proceeded on the Head of the Freeholders: And called several Witnesses:

*John Lambe* said, That *Remembrance Ashford* would have voted for Mr. *Wyrley* and Mr. *Walmsley*; and was refused: And that he had a Freehold of 50 s. a Year, being Part of a House; but it had been divided for some time:

That *John Lees* would have voted for Mr. *Wyrley* and Mr. *Walmsley*; and has a Freehold in 2 Houses of about 56 s. a Year; and has been Owner of it 6 or 7 Years; and was refused:

That *Thomas Martyn* junior would have voted for Mr. *Wyrley* and Mr. *Walmsley*; and has a Freehold of about 50 s. a Year; and his Father has voted for it; but it had never been let: And that these Three would have all sworn to their several Freeholds:

That *Edward Merry* would have voted for Mr. *Wyrley* and Mr. *Walmsley*; and was refused.

*John Matlock* said, That *Edward Merry* held Two Houses for Three Lives, worth about 4 l. a Year:

That Dr. *Bincks* a Canon, Mr. *Kimberley*, and Mr. *Gretton*, would have voted for Mr. *Wyrley* and Mr. *Walmsley*; and were refused.

Mr. *Chandler* said, That there was a common Estate belonging to the Church, of about 33 l. a Year, divided amongst Five; whereof Dr. *Bincks*, and Mr. *Kimberley* were Two: But, however, it was acknowledged, That they refused to swear; but said, The Dean was admitted without it.

*Matlocke* said, Dr. *Bincks* and Mr. *Kimberley's* Predecessors had voted; and particularly Mr. *Hutchins* and Mr. *Comyns*:

That as to Mr. *Gretton* it was agreed, That he had a Freehold; but it was as he was a Trustee, with others, for a Charity. And

Mr. *Matlock*, said, That *Nicolas Coxon* the last Election before this, had voted for the same Freehold he had now in Possession; and was then sworn; and would, at this Election, have sworn again, and voted for Mr. *Walmsley* and Mr. *Wyrley*; and yet was refused: And that

Mr. *John Bayly* carried himself partially: And, if any Persons declared themselves for Mr. *Wyrley* and Mr. *Walmsley*, he would cry, Down with them; down with them.

*Lambe* said, That *Christopher Holmes* had a House in *Litchfield* of 5 l. a Year; and was never denied, but once, before this; and has also an Acre of Land worth 20 l.; and would, at this Election, have voted for Mr. *Walmsley* and Mr. *Wyrley*: But, however, it was acknowledged, That there was a Mortgage on the House for 30 l.; and he did wear a Cap and Coat given to poor Men:

That *Henry Jennings* has a Freehold of about 4 l. a Year; and would have voted for Mr. *Wyrley* and Mr. *Walmsley*; and was refused: But the Witness believed he had a Cap and a Coat.

That then the Petitioner's Counsel proceeded to give an Account of several Freemen, that, they insisted, had a Right to vote, and would have polled for the Petitioner; and were refused.

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And the First Person they would have added to their Poll was *Charles Gee* Taylor; who was inrolled in the old Book of the 'Taylors Company': But he was objected to by the Sitting Member's Counsel; they insisting, That none were intitled to vote, but only such as were inrolled in the new Book.

And as to that it did appear, That the Company of Taylors had their By-laws according to the Statute in that Case allowed, and approved by the Justices of Assize 18<sup>o</sup> Eliz.; and had kept a Book, wherein the Freemen of that Company were entered, which is called the old Book: And that, 3d May, 9<sup>o</sup> of the present King, there was, upon the Petition of the Taylors, a new Regulation and Constitution of the said Company, by the Corporation of the City of *Litchfield*; and thereupon they made another Book for the inrolling the Names of the Freemen of the said Company: And, upon producing, as well the Instrument by which the By-laws were approved by the Justices of Assize, as aforesaid, and the new Constitution which was made by the Corporation of the City of *Litchfield*; and hearing what was alleged by the Counsel on both Sides; the Committee came to these Resolutions;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That such Freemen of the Taylors Company, as are inrolled in the old Book of the Constitutions of the Taylors Company, in the City of *Litchfield*, have not a Right to vote in the Elections of Citizens to serve in Parliament for the said City.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That such Freemen only of the Taylors Company, as are inrolled in the new Book of Constitutions of the Taylors Company, in the City of *Litchfield*, have a Right to vote in the Election of Citizens to serve in Parliament for the said City.

That then the Petitioner's Counsel proceeded to give an Account of other Persons that were qualified to vote, and were refused: And

*John Stubbs* said, That *Richard Stubbs* had an Annuity of 14 l. a Year for his Life, being a Rent-charge.

*John Lamb, Cha. Howard*, said, That *William Baggaley* is a Freeman, and is charged 4 d. to the Church, and 4 d. to the Poor, at *Tamworth*; but his Landlady was, by Contract, to pay the Poors Rate for him.

*Lambe* said, That *Samuel Emery* had a Burgage-house, which his Father lived in; and is now upon the Burgage Jury.

*Lambe* and *Frogat* said, That *Richard Markland* has also a Burgage-house; and that both would have voted for Mr. *Wyrley*.

Mr. *Henry Rothbone* said, That Mr. *Wyrley* desired to poll for himself; Sir *Michael Biddulph*, and Mr. *Dyot*, having polled for each other: But it was acknowledged, That the said Mr. *Wyrley* had before given a single Vote for Mr. *Walmesley*; and some Persons had polled between his voting for Mr. *Walmesley*, and the Time of his desiring to vote for himself.

That the next Thing the Petitioner's Counsel proceeded on, was, to take off from the Sitting Member Mr. *Dyot's* Poll.

*Henry Rothbone* said, his Brother *Edmund Rothbone* had surrendered his Freehold Estate to him, and accepted a Bond for Payment of a certain Sum for his Life; and he produced a Lease granted to himself; but he allowed his Brother *Edmund* to take Part of the Profits of the Estate: As to *Tho. Sprat*, a Surrender by him was produced to the Committee:

That there was also produced a Lease to *Richard Deane* for 21 Years:

That there was also produced a Lease for 40 Years to *John Bruiton*; which Mr. *Lambe* said, was by Assignment come to *George Plymmer*: But these Four Persons did, at the time of the Poll, swear they had Freeholds.

*Lambe* said, That *William Luinator's* House was worth but 28 s. or 30 s. a Year:

That *Tho. Denston's* House was worth about 30 s. a Year.

That it was agreed that *Tho. Gollard, Ralph Spencer, Wm. Hinck, Samuel Emery* senior, were Taylors, and not inrolled in the new Book: But the Sitting Member's Counsel alleged they were Freeholders.

*Matlock* said, That *John Blake* did not pay to the Rate, and was poor; though it was acknowledged he was a Serjeant of the Town:

That *Joseph Charles* senior, *Thomas Ashmole, Henry Hill*, and *Thomas Mason*, do not pay to Church and Poor, but *Charles* was the Gaoler.

That the Counsel also excepted to Mr. *Dyot*, as polling for himself:

That it was allowed, That *Richard Harvey* did not pay to Church and Poor:

*Frogat* said, That *Joseph Burton* does not pay to the Church; but he does pay to the Poor:

That *William Spencer* pays to the Church, and not to the Poor.

The next Head of Objection to the Sitting Member's Poll, was, that of Inmates: And,

*Frogat* said, That *Thomas Bennett* and *Ralph Wright* were no Housekeepers, and paid to neither Rate.

That then the Petitioner's Counsel proceeded to give an Account of indirect Practices by the Sitting Member and the Magistrates.

*Geo. Harding* said, That there was some Discourse in the Corporation, That the Mayor should vote as the major Part agreed: And

*Harding* and *John Stubbs* said, That, before the Election, the Sheriff going along the Street, a Neighbour saying to him, That if he did Justice, he must return Mr. *Wyrley* and Mr. *Walmesley*; the Sheriff answered, No, but One; or they might have One of them.

Sir *Tho. Lawley* said, That the Sheriff was very partial in this Election, browbeating and keeping down Mr. *Wyrley's* Party, and countenancing Mr. *Dyot's* in a violent Manner, and in changing his Place:

That, some Freeholders, who would have sworn, were rejected; and some were helped up, who were for Mr. *Dyot*; and some pushed down, who polled afterwards for Mr. *Wyrley*: And

Mr. *Matlock* said, the Sheriff acted partially; and that *Thomas Matlin* came, with some Cover for a Blemish he had on his Face, and offered to swear; but Mr. *Wakefield* said, He would not swear any one in a Mask: And that Captain *Dyott* acted as a Justice of the Peace, and committed *John Acton* upon common Fame, as having been convicted of Horse-stealing; and made his Escape, 14 Years ago.

*Frogat* said, That those who would vote for Mr. *Wyrley* and Mr. *Walmesley* were more strictly examined as to their Freeholds, and asked for their Deeds: Whereas several on the other Side were not asked for their Deeds; but only, if they would swear they had 40 s. a Year.

*H. Rothbone* said, That *Henry Jennings* and *Chr. Holmes* were refused their Votes for the Petitioner, though they offered to swear.

*John Sharpe* said, That about 7 or 8 Days before the Election, Mr. *Monsley* and Mr. *Dyot*, and others, came to him, and asked him for his Vote; but he told them, He had promised it: Whereupon Mr. *Dyot* bid him be as good as his Word; but he said, *Monsley* beckoned him to the Coach, and told him, If he would vote for Captain *Dyot*, it might be as good as 40 l. in his Way in the keeping him off Offices.

*Cha. Howard* said, That Mr. *Monsley* the Under-bailiff asked him to vote for Mr. *Dyot*; and told him, It was his best Way; for he should be excused the Duties of the Town; and, if he did not, he should be chose Overseer of the Poor.

*Matlocke* was called to prove, that Mr. *Dyot* was chose Senior Bailiff the Day before the former Senior Bailiff's Year expired; but the same was admitted.

*Mabell Acton* said, That Mr. *Dyot* and Mr. *Wakefield* had been at her House, to ask her Husband's Vote for Mr. *Dyot*; but she told them, Her Husband had disposed of his Vote; whereupon Mr. *Dyot* said, It should be

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be the worse for him : And Mr. *Dyott* came the next Day again, and she made him the same Answer ; whereupon Mr. *Dyot* told her, He would fling her Husband into Gaol :

That *Benjamin Lamb* was asked for his Vote ; who answered, He had disposed of it : To which it was replied, If he would not go along with the Corporation, he would be turned out of his House : And that *Wakefeild* asked for her Husband, and said, There was a Charge against him for breaking *Ruthin* Gaol ; and, says he, This he has got by voting : And that, on the Election-day, her Husband coming to vote, Mr. *Dyott* did commit her Husband to *Litchfeild* Gaol, for Suspicion of breaking the Gaol of *Ruthin*, after Conviction for Horse-stealing ; though her Husband had lived in *Litchfeild* 21 Years, and had voted for Sir *Mich. Biddulph* and Mr. *Dyott* last Election : And she further said, That Mr. *Monsley* had caused her to be whipt, for taking some of his Peas, she being with Child, and longing for them, though the Peas were not worth above 2 *d.* and she would have paid 10 *s.* for them ; and that, by reason of such Whipping, she miscarried soon after.

As to Threats ;

*Oliver Gennett* said, That the Bailiffs *Monsley* and *Gamble*, because he voted against the Corporation, said, He should not continue his Standing, unless he would pay 12 *d.* a Day, whereas before, he paid but 3 *d.* a Quarter ; and they pulled down his Stall, after the Election, he voting otherwise.

*William Nightingale* said, That Captain *Dyot*, and the rest of the Corporation, came to their House Two Days after *Christmas*, and asked his Father for his Vote ; but he would not promise them : And, Two Days after, Mr. *Hacker* arrested him, and told him, if he would have voted as the Corporation would have had him, that would not have happened : And Mr. *Wakefeild* laid an Action upon him at *Wriah's* Suit, whereby he was prevented from voting.

*Henry Vernon* said, That my Lord *Stanhope* sent for him by his Servant ; and accordingly he went to him : And my Lord asked him for his Vote ; but he said, He had been engaged for Two Months : He said, That he had a Son, who had the Misfortune to shoot a Man, and absconded : And my Lord said, If he would vote for Mr. *Dyott*, he would write a Letter to the Prosecutor, that he was not in the Country : And that my Lord afterwards sent again ; and my Lord's Man told him, If he did not, he should repent as long as he lived ; but, the next Day, my Lord sent Word, He would not have his Vote, if he would give it.

*Wm. Woolley*, Tallow-chandler, said, That Mr. *Spencer* told him, That, if he would vote for Sir *Mich. Biddulph* and Mr. *Dyot*, he would engage my Lord *Stanhope's* and Sir *Michael Biddulph's* Custom for him ; and said, He should be reduced, on the Rate, from 4 *d.* to 2 *d.* to the Poor ; but Mr. *Dyott* told him, If he had promised, he could not desire his Vote.

*Thomas Barber* said, That Mr. *Dyot* said, about Three Weeks or a Month before the Election, That Mr. *Rawborne* the Postmaster had been violent against him ; and he had taken away his Employment in the Excise, and he would take away the Post Office from him : However, *Barber* acknowledged, That he was to have the Profit of the Office so long as he was Tenant in the House ; and there had been some Discourse of Mr. *Dyot's* and others Letters having been opened and detained.

*Oliver Jennetts* said, That he came into Company where were some Countrymen, and Sir *Michael Biddulph*, and Mr. *Dyot* ; and they had Ale, and he drank several times, and did not pay ; neither could he tell who paid the Reckoning.

*John Rothbone* said, He was at a Publick-house in *Christmas* Holidays, where were my Lord *Stanhope*, Mr. *Dyot*, and others ; and they all drank 3 *s.* 6 *d.* whereof my Lord *Stanhope* spent Half a Crown, and Mr. *Wakefeild*, 1 *s.* : And one of them said, If he would not vote for Mr. *Dyott*, they would fine him, upon an Information, for calling Sir *Michael Biddulph* Names ; and afterwards

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Sir *Michael Biddulph* brought an Action against him for 5,000 *l.* Damages ; and *Vernon*, Sir *Michael Biddulph's* Man, said, His Master would ruin him.

*John Smith* said, That he was at *Thomas Webb's* the Monday before the Election : And *John Martin* came, and said, He treated that Night : And one *Hughes* asked his Vote for Sir *Mich. Biddulph* and Mr. *Dyott* ; and said, He would cross him Half a Crown out of his Book : And Mr. *Speller* said, He might come to his Shop with Money or without.

*Tabitha Eagle* said, That Mr. *Bourne*, of the Corporation, asked her Father's Vote for Sir *Mich. Biddulph* and Mr. *Dyott* ; and said, If he would give them his Vote, he would abate them 20 *s.* of his Rent : And, the Thursday before the Election, Mr. *Dyot* and Mr. *Bourne* threatened to take away his Ground.

*John Harris* said, That Mr. *Dyott* of London, and Mr. *Hinton*, gave him each of them 1 *s.* ; and Mr. *Hinton* promised him 10 *s.* more next Morning, to Vote for Mr. *Dyot* ; but he did not go for it : That he intended to have voted for Mr. *Dyott* ; but Mr. *Dyott* refused his Vote, he not paying to Church and Poor.

*Mabel Acton* said, That my Lord *Stanhope* asked *Obadiah Couper* his Vote ; and told him, If he would be for Sir *Mich. Biddulph* and Mr. *Dyott*, he would maintain him, and he should never want as long as he lived.

*John Pretty* said, That he had promised Mr. *Grimley* his Vote for Mr. *Walmesley* ; and was very uneasy, because he never had voted against Sir *Mich. Biddulph* : That, afterwards, Mr. *Russell*, my Lord *Stanhope's* Steward, came to him, and told him, My Lord desired his Vote for Mr. *Dyott* : And he told Mr. *Russell*, He could do no less, because his Tenter was upon my Lord's Ground ; and that, after he had voted, my Lord's Steward gave him an Acquittance for 17 *s.* without paying any Money ; but the said *Pretty* said, There was no Promise previous to his Vote.

That Mr. *Grimley*, to induce him to vote for Mr. *Walmesley*, said, It should be the best Day's Work that ever he made ; and Mr. *Walmesley* was a charitable Man : And the said Mr. *Grimley* said, He believed he could procure him 40 *s.* : And Mr. *Weale* sent to him, to tell him, That, if he did not vote as he did, he would trouble him for the Money he owed him.

*Thomas Barber*, said, He heard one *Quinborough* say, That *Parker* was indebted to him ; and that he had promised to forgive him the Debt, if he would vote for Mr. *Dyott* and Sir *Michael Biddulph* ; but could not say whether the Words were spoken before or after the Election.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel first applied themselves to speak to those whom the Petitioner would have added to his Poll.

*James Hammond* said, That *Remembrance Ashford* lives with his Father, and his Father voted : But *Lambe* said, His Father had made a Lease to *Remembrance* for Life :

That *John Lees* his Estate is not worth above 30 *s.* a Year :

That *Edward Merry* would have voted, and was refused, though it was owned he had Two Houses of about 3 *l.* a Year, but his Father had some Part of it ; and would have voted as a Taylor, though not in the new Book.

Mr. *Monsley*, Mr. *Wakefeild*, said, That *Tho. Martin* had but 3 Acres ; they are worth but 10 *s.* an Acre :

That the Answer to Dr. *Bincks* and Mr. *Kimberley* was, They would have voted as Freeholders ; and would not swear.

Mr. *Wakefeild* said, That Mr. *Gretton* was only a Trustee, and received but 20 *s.* a Year for his Trouble ; and that Mr. *Wakefeild*, and others, as Tenants in Possession, paid the Rent to *Gretton*, and others, as Trustees :

That *Nicholas Coxon's* Freehold Estate was not worth above 8 *s.* or 9 *s.* per Annum :

That *Chr. Holmes* is reputed a Fool ; and begs every Day ; and lives with his Mother.

*John Knight* said, There was a Contract with *Richard Stubbs*, That he should have a certain Sum of Money paid

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paid him for leaving off his Trade; but no Land bound for it, he having heard the Contract read.

Mr. Farmer said, That *William Baggeley* was a common Beggar, put into the Levy, as some others, to serve a Turn.

Mr. Wakefeld said, That *Samuel Emery* had a House; but it was mortgaged, and the Mortgagee was in Possession.

Mr. Bayly said, That *Richard Markland* has Half a Burgage; but was poor, and has received a Cap and Coat, though not last Year; and he has collected for his Wife, upon her Lying-in.

Mr. Wakefeld said, That *Richard Markland* had received *Finney's* Charity in 99.

That, as to Mr. Wyrley, the Answer was, That he did not offer to vote for himself, when he gave his First Vote.

That the next thing the Petitioner's Counsel applied themselves to, was, to justify their own Votes:

That the Answer to the Evidence given against *Edmund Rothbone*, *Thomas Sprot*, *Richard Deane*, and *George Phimmer*, was, That they had sworn to their Freeholds:

That there was no Answer to *Wm. Lynnator*.

Mr. Wakefeld said, That *Tho. Denston* was sworn to his Freehold.

*Ra. Spencer* said, That *Thomas Gollard* had a Freehold in Two Houses, of 3 l. a Year.

Mr. Hammond, Mr. Monsley, said, That *Ralph Spencer* had a Freehold Estate; but they could not tell the Value:

That the Answer to *John Blake* and *Jos. Charles* was, That they were excused from paying to the Rate as Officers, and not in respect of their Poverty.

*Hammond* said, That *Thomas Mason* paid to the Church:

That *Henry Hill* paid to the Church and Poor last Year.

Mr. Hammond, Mr. Wakefeld, That *Richard Harcey* and *Joseph Burton* pay to the Church:

That *William Spencer* pays to the Church and Poor.

Mr. Wakefeld said, That *Thomas Bennet* pays Scot and Lot.

Mr. Hammond said, That there was no Rate made since *Ralph Wright* was out of his Time; but he was reckoned to be worth 3 or 400 l.

Mr. Monsley said, That *Oliver Jennet* is a spunging Fellow, and will force himself into Company, and not pay: And that the Lord *Stanhope* is a generous Man, and sometimes will pay Half a Crown when others pay but 2d. and that they paid 2d. apiece towards *Wakefeld's* Shilling.

Mr. Marshall said, That *Maabell Acton* was ordered to be whipt, by Mr. Monsley, for stealing of Corn, which was supposed to be near the Value of 20s. and it was very gently; and that she had been whipt before privately, upon Suspicion of stealing a Watch out of *Spratt's* Pocket.

Mr. Wakefeld said, That the Warrant against *Acton* was made out, before the Election, upon Mr. Bailiff *Gamble's* asserting, That he had been convicted of stealing his Horse, and broke Gaol the Day of his Execution; Mr. Bailiff *Gamble* being unwilling to act in his own Cause.

*Thomas Sissleby* said, That *John Bird*, *Humphrey Byrd*, *Theophilus Spencer*, and *Thomas Milner*, had received Church Bread the last Year.

Mr. Wakefeld said, That he believes *John Lambe* has a Freehold; but he voted as a Freeman, and does not pay to the Rate:

That *John Mozgill*, *William Bateman*, *John Burton*, *William Fleming*, *Robert Hartill*, *Edward Shakespeare*, *Thomas Morgan*, *Edward Wood*, *George Woolley*, *Richard Worrall*, *Ralph Barber*, were Freemen, and did not pay to the Rate; but *William Bateman*, *Edward Shakespeare*, *Thomas Morgan*, *Edward Wood*, *Geo. Woolley* and *Richard Worrall*, were Journeymen:

That *Samuel Morgitt* and *Richard Stubbs* were put into the Poors Rate; but were so poor, the Parish agreed to put them out; yet would officiously pay a little before the

Election: And that *Thomas Osborne* and *Henry Osborne*, though they were in the Rate, did not pay.

As to Bribes, and indirect Practices, the Sitting Member's Counsel called several Witnesses:

*Bennett* said, That Mr. *Walmsley* desired his Vote for Mr. *Wyrley*; and that Mr. *Walmsley*, about 12 Months ago, sent a Letter by him to Mr. *Harding*, the Parson of *Newcastle*; the Contents of which, as the Carrier told him, were, That the said Carrier should threaten the said *Bennett* to put him out of his Employment, if he did not vote for himself: And Mr. *Wyrley* and Mr. *Walmsley* declared, If he would vote for them, he would procure their Markets to be free from Tolls and Arrests: And said, He had given 200 l. in Two Years for poor Tradesmen; but he supposed it was out of the Commutation-money, because, he said, he could not afford it out of his own Estate.

*Cary* said, About the Middle of December, Mr. *Walmsley* desired his Vote for himself and Mr. *Wyrley*; and said, That Mr. *Walmsley* told him, He had been kind, and given 200 l. to poor Tradesmen; and, if the City would choose them, he would make the Markets free from Tolls and Arrests: And that Mr. *Walmsley* declared, It was in his Power to distribute 200 l. a Year among them, if they would oblige him.

*Ralph Spencer* said, That, 6th of January, at a publick Meeting of the Taylors Company, Mr. *Walmsley* declared, If they would choose him and Mr. *Wyrley*, he would endeavour to make their Markets free from Arrests and Tolls.

*John Bond* said, That Mr. *Walmsley*, on Christmas Night, offered him, if he would vote for Mr. *Wyrley*, he would give 2, 3, 4, or 5 l.; but he owned he received no Money; and that he declared this Matter in Court, at the Election; and they called him Turn-coat Rascal, he offering to vote for Mr. *Dyot* and Sir *Mich. Biddulph*:

That, before the Election, he worked with *Simon Tuxford* as a Taylor; and, because he did not vote for Mr. *Wyrley* and Mr. *Walmsley*, he was turned off.

*Thomas Sissilby* said, That, about 9 Days before the Election, Mr. *Walmsley* came to him, and asked him for his Vote for Mr. *Wyrley* and himself: That he denied Mr. *Walmsley* his Vote; whereupon Mr. *Walmsley* offered him 3 Things.

1st, That he would place his Trade in a Sea-port Town.

2d, Because he had said, He had Thoughts not to vote at all, in regard of the Heats in the Town, and so it might be a Damage to him; Mr. *Walmsley* told him, If he lost 5 l. by it, he would give it him.

3dly, That he had lent several Persons 5 l. to oblige them to vote for himself and Mr. *Wyrley*; and if he would give them his Vote, he would do the like for him.

*John Knight* said, That Mr. *Walmsley* sent for him, and asked his Vote for himself and Mr. *Wyrley*: And that the said *Knight* telling Mr. *Walmsley* he had promised Mr. *Dyot*; and it might be a Damage to him to vote against Mr. *Dyot*, in regard that Mr. *Dyot* might make him build a Wall, he having then the Advantage of Mr. *Dyot's* Wall, as a Partition-wall; Mr. *Walmsley* told him, He would build the Wall at his own Charge; and ordered him to bespeak Bricks, which accordingly he did; and that he believed the Wall might cost 40 or 50s.: And that the said *Knight* saying, He was afraid he should be raised in the Parish Rates; Mr. *Walmsley* told him, What Charge he was at, he would pay him again; saying, *John*, Dost think that I, who have distributed so many 100 l. can't make good thy Loss?

Mr. *Lambe* denied, that Mr. *Walmsley* made *Knight* any Promise to build the Wall.

That, for the Petitioner Mr. *Wyrley*, by way of Reply, the Counsel called,

*Lambe*: Who said, His Son was a Freeholder in *Litchfield*, of above 40s. a Year; and had swore and voted as such in 3 Polls.

Mr. *Chandler* said, That he was present in Court when *Bond* charged Mr. *Walmsley* with offering him 2, 3, or



or 5l. : And, being asked where it was, and who was by, he contradicted himself.

*Lambe* said, That he was at Mr. *Walmesley*'s; and *John Knight* came in, and said, He could not be for Mr. *Walmesley*, because Mr. *Dyott* had threatened to turn a Spout; and threatened to throw down the Timber off his House, which was fixed upon Mr. *Dyott*'s Wall; and he said, That the Charge would be 50s.; but, when the said *Lambe* saw it, he told him, That it might be done for 30s. : The said *Lambe* acknowledged, That Mr. *Walmesley* desired him to go down, to see what Damages it would be.

*John Smith* said, That *John Knight* owned he had promised to be for Mr. *Walmesley* and Mr. *Wyrley*; but said, He would turn for his Interest : And that, being at the *George* about the Beginning of *Christmas* Holidays, *Bond* said, They put upon him as if he had had Money of Mr. *Walmesley*, but he never had any.

*John Gee* gave the like Account of what *Bond* said : And said further, That Mr. *Walmesley* neither gave nor offered him any Money.

*Frogat* said, That *Sissilby* was but of indifferent Reputation, and robs Fish-ponds.

And that upon this Evidence, the Committee came to this Resolution ;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Richard Dyott* Esquire is duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Litchfield*.

That then the Committee proceeded upon the Petition of Sir *Mich. Biddulph*, complaining of an undue Return of *William Walmesley* Esquire to serve for the City of *Litchfield*.

That the First Thing the Petitioner's Counsel applied themselves to, was, to prove indirect Practices by Mr. *Walmesley* : And, for that, they examined several Witnesses ; particularly *Thomas Bennet*, *Wm. Cary*, *John Bond*, *Tho. Sissilby* and *John Knight* ; who had been before examined on the Part of Mr. *Dyott* : And they gave their Evidence to the Effect before set forth.

The Counsel for Sir *Mich. Biddulph* also examined, as to indirect Practices, some new Witnesses :

*Thomas Rachford* said, That Mr. *Walmesley* and Mr. *Wyrley*, about *Christmas*, came to a Neighbour's House, and sent for him, and some Neighbours, to drink Ale with them ; and that they asked them for their Votes : And Mr. *Walmesley* told them, That, if they would send Mr. *Wyrley* and him up, he would make their Markets free from Tolls and Arrests : And

*Mathew Smith* said, That Mr. *Walmesley* asked him his Votes : And he told him, He could not promise him both, but he owed Mr. *Russell*, upon Mortgage, 18l. : To which *Walmesley* replied, That signified nothing ; for his Brother Mr. *Ryder*, or any body else, might take the Mortgage : Whereupon he shewed Mr. *Ryder* the Writings : And he said, He would do it ; but, however, he drove it off till the Election was over, and then Mr. *Russell* arrested him for the Debt : He said, Mr. *Russell*, before, had asked him to be for Mr. *Dyott* and Sir *Mich. Biddulph* ; and said, He would be kind to him.

*Hen. Hill* said, That he hearing Mr. *Walmesley* used to give away Money, he desired Mr. *Bakewell* to speak to Mr. *Walmesley* on his Behalf : And the said *Hill* went, before *Michaelmas*, to Mr. *Walmesley*, who did not then ask him for any Vote ; but the said *Hill*, of himself, told Mr. *Walmesley*, If there was occasion, he would give him a Vote ; and afterwards Mr. *Walmesley* gave him a Guinea, which Mr. *Walmesley* owned at the Election : That *Peter Tompkins*, the Day after *Christmas* Day, met him, and told him, If he would vote for his Master and Mr. *Wyrley*, he would engage they should give him 10l. : And that *Lambe* told him, If he would vote for Mr. *Walmesley*, he should have a Paritor's Place : And that Mr. *Walmesley* and Mr. *Wyrley*, the Night before the Election, bid him go to *Nightingale's*, and he should be treated, and accordingly he did go and drink there.

*John Clewleys* said, That, about 15 Days before

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*Christmas*, Mr. *Walmesley* sent for him, and desired his Vote ; and said, He would be kind to him : That, having Occasion for 30s. Mr. *Walmesley* lent it him, taking a Note under his Hand ; and at the same time asked him for his Vote ; but he had promised Mr. *Walmesley* his Vote before he lent him the 30s.

That, in *Christmas* Holidays, being under an Arrest, Mr. *Tompkins* said, He would tell his Master and Mr. *Walmesley* of it : And afterwards Mr. *Hans* brought him 17s. and set him at Liberty ; for the Repayment of which 17s. *Clewley* gave him a Note.

*Wm. Hicks* said, That one Night he was at Mr. *Walmesley*'s House ; and Mr. *Walmesley* desired his Vote ; which *Hicks* said he should have, if he would give him a Paritor's Place : And Mr. *Walmesley* said he would do it : And *Hicks* said, That he did vote for Mr. *Wyrley* and Mr. *Walmesley* ; but had not the Place.

*Hugh Moncaster* said, That he was at the *Swan*, where Mr. *Walmesley* set up his Horses ; and there were some *Birmingham* Men, some of which had Votes, who staid there Two Days : And that he told Mr. *Davis*, Mr. *Wyrley*'s Clerk, what the Reckoning came to : Who said, It was not well done of them, to leave any thing to pay ; because they had Money to come : And he also said, there were several Persons treated at the time of the Election ; viz. *Edward Carteret* and *George Horse*, by *Peter Tompkins* ; and *John Hincks*, who was treated by Mr. *Wyrley* : And that *Martlock* bid him say nothing about the Election, but what the said *Martlock* could answer above.

*James Hammond* said, Mr. *Wyrley*, about 12 Months ago, sent an Ox, with 12d. apiece to drink : And that *Cotterell* said, He must vote for Mr. *Walmesley*, because he had lent him 10l. ; but could not say when the Money was lent.

*Richard Quinborne* said, That *Parker* owed him 6s. and one Mr. *Harding*, who made an Interest for Mr. *Walmesley* and Mr. *Wyrley* paid it ; and said, He had paid Debts for this Person, to the Value of Thirty Pound : And that a Gentleman met *Lambe*, and speaking of the Election, asked him, Why the old ones would not serve : To which *Lambe* answered, That Mr. *Walmesley* had been very kind ; and himself had distributed near 100l. for him.

*Samuel Kitwell* said, He had a Son, who lived with Mr. *Heathcote*, who desired his Vote for Mr. *Wyrley* and Mr. *Walmesley* ; which he not being willing to do, Mr. *Heathcote* sent his Son Home : That he voted for Mr. *Walmesley* and Mr. *Wyrley*, and Mr. *Heathcote* took his Son again : That he would have voted for Mr. *Dyott* and Mr. *Walmesley*, but on Account of his Son.

Mr. *William Baker* said, Mr. *Chandler* brought him a Letter from Mr. *Walmesley* : And, the said Mr. *Baker* being Divinity Lecturer at *Litchfield*, Mr. *Chandler* told him, That Mr. *Walmesley* had observed something, with relation to him, against the Act of Uniformity ; and, if he would not vote for Mr. *Wyrley*, as well as himself, he would turn him out of his Place.

That the Counsel for the Petitioner would then have proceeded to prove themselves a Majority of legal Votes upon the Poll ; but, there being nothing leading to that in the Petition, the Committee were of Opinion not to hear Evidence to that Matter.

That then the Sitting Member Mr. *Walmesley*'s Counsel were heard, by way of Answer to the aforesaid Evidence : And called several Witnesses :

*John Gee* said, That in *Christmas* Holidays, he met *John Bond* ; who said, They had raised a scandalous Report, That Mr. *Walmesley* had given him Money ; but he declared, Mr. *Walmesley* never had given or offered him any ; and that he was free to vote for whom he pleased.

Mr. *Chandler* gave the same Account of what *Bond* said at the Election, as he had given before on the behalf of Mr. *Wyrley* ; And

*Lambe* testified to the same Effect as before, in relation to the Evidence given by *John Knight*.

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*John Gee* said, That he met with *Hill* in the Hall; who told him, He had declared, That he would vote for Mr. *Walmesley* and Mr. *Wyrley*; but, he said, his Circumstances were low; and he was threatened, and hired to vote on the other Side; but he did not say by whom.

*Harding* said, He asked *Hill*, Why he would not be for Mr. *Walmesley* and Mr. *Wyrley*, according to his Promise: And *Hill* said, He could not do it; for the other Side would lay him in Gaol.

*Tho. Green* said, That *Hill* told him, He was to come up to *London*, and the Corporation was to bear his Charges; and he was to have 5*l.* more, but did not name of whom.

*Wm. Nightingale* said, That on *Christmas* Day, he and *Hill* went to Mr. *Walmesley's*, and *Hill* promised Mr. *Walmesley* his Vote; but afterwards told him, He could not be for Mr. *Walmesley*, for Mr. *Monsley* would sue him.

*John Smith* gave the same Evidence in relation to *John Knight*, as he had given before on the behalf of Mr. *Wyrley*.

*Benedict Lant* said, That, a Week before last *Christmas* and a Week before *Easter* was Twelve Months, he distributed Two Five Pounds for Mr. *Walmesley*, and he was directed to give it to whom he thought fit, so they were not Beggars, but poor Housekeepers; and that *John* and *Michael Lamb* had the same Orders for distributing other Money: And, of those that *Lant* gave to, there was 8 that voted for Mr. *Dyot*, and Sir *Mich. Biddulph*, and but 4 that voted for them; and he did give to several that had no Votes; and that he believed the Whole was distributed to 250 People.

That the Committee, upon this Evidence, came to these Resolutions;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *William Walmesley* Esquire, is not duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Litchfield*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir *Michael Biddulph* Baronet is not duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Litchfield*.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Charles Hotham*, } 66.  
Mr. *Hopkins*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Freeman*, } 123.  
Mr. *Rowny*:

So it passed in the Negative.

The First and Second Resolutions being severally read a Second time; the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Third Resolution being read a Second time.

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That such Freemen of the *Taylor's Company*, as are inrolled in the old Book of the Constitutions of the *Taylor's Company*, in the City of *Litchfield*, have not a Right to vote in the Election of Citizens to serve in Parliament for the said City;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Gower*, } 134.  
Mr. *Cæsar*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Owen Buckingham*, } 63.  
Mr. *Walpole*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Fourth and Fifth Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Sixth Resolution being read;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *John Packington*, } 110.  
Mr. *Hervey*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Birch*, } 86.  
Mr. *Gulston*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report; and also the making the other Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, which were to have been made this Day; be adjourned until *Monday Morning* next.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better Preservation and Increase of the Timber of this Kingdom be read upon *Monday Morning* next. Preservation of Timber.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the better Preservation of the Protestant Religion; and for preventing the Translation of Bishops from one See to another. Preservation of Protestant Religion.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday Morning*, Nine a Clock.

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A BILL for the better Preservation and Increase of the Timber of this Kingdom was, according to Order, read the First time. Preservation of Timber.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Saturday Morning* next.

A Petition of the Justices of the Peace and Grand Jury, at the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace held at *Pontefract*, for the West Riding of the County of *York*, the Twenty-ninth Day of April, Anno Domini One thousand Seven hundred and One, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the West Riding of the County of *York* is the principal Place in the North for the Cloth Manufacture; and many that trade therein are Freeholders, and have frequent Occasions to borrow Money; but, for want of a Register, find it difficult to give Security, to the Satisfaction of the Lenders: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the public Registering of all Conveyances, Mortgages, and other Securities, hereafter to be made, of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, by any Person that shall voluntarily register the same. Register of Conveyances.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that the Lord *Fairfax*, and Sir *John Kaye*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

A Petition of *Edward Drew* Archdeacon of *Cornwall*, *Jasper Ratcliffe* Esquire, *Sarah Davy*, *Margaret Pollard*, and other Creditors, as also the Executors of the last Will of *Rawlin Mallock*, late of *Cockington*, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That whereas a Bill hath been brought into this Honourable House, to enable *Rawlin Mallock*, deceased to sell some Part of his Estate, for discharging the Monies, Debts, and Charges thereupon; That *Rawlin Mallock*, of *Cockington*, became bound to his Majesty, for *Roger Mallock*, Father of *Rawlin Mallock*, in whose behalf this Bill was brought in, for his true accounting with his Majesty, in his Office of Collector of the Excise: And the said *Roger* became indebted to his Majesty; whereby all the Estate of the said *Rawlin Mallock*, of *Cockington*, became liable to the Payment of the said Debt; after which, the said *Rawlin Mallock* gave all his Estate, by Will, to the now *Rawlin*, his Cousin; who bath Mallock's Estate.

hath lately made an Agreement for the Assignment of his Majesty's Title to the said Debt, which is to be paid off by Money arising from the Lands to be sold by this Bill; and the Petitioners may be greatly prejudiced, if the said *Racelin Mallock* shall be at Liberty to extend any of the said Debt upon the Lands liable to the Debts of the Petitioners, which are not already sufficient to pay the Petitioners Debts, and Charges thereupon: And praying, That, after the Payment of his Majesty's Debt, some Provision may be made in the said Bill, that the Petitioners may not be prejudiced by any Assignment over of his Majesty's Title to the said *Racelin Mallock*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Tythe of  
Lead-ore.

A Petition of divers Gentlemen, Ministers, and Proprietors of Tythe-ore, being Inhabitants in or near the Mineral Parts of the County of *Derby*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by the Bill now depending before this Honourable House, for preventing Multiplicity of vexatious Suits; and for settling and ascertaining the Tythe of Lead-ore, within the County of *Derby*; it is recited, That there is a Custom in the said County for the Payment of the Tythe of Lead-ore to the several Owners of Rectories, Parsons, Vicars, or other Proprietors of Tythes, in the said County; and the same hath been owned and acknowledged by the Owners of Lead Mines there, and confirmed and decreed in the Courts of Chancery and Exchequer, and by Verdicts at Common Law: That the Petitioners are highly sensible of the Truth of the Premises, in regard several of them have received it themselves: And praying, That the Petitioners for the said Bill may have such Relief in the Premises, as shall be thought fit, for the quiet Establishment of them, and their Successors, in that ancient Right, which their Predecessors were formerly invested with.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and other Inhabitants, of *Chesterfield*, in the County of *Derby*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by the Bill now depending in this House, for preventing Multiplicity of vexatious Suits; and for settling and ascertaining the Tythe of Lead-ore, within the County of *Derby*; it is suggested, That the said Tythe of Lead-ore hath been, of Right, paid in the Parishes throughout the whole County; and hath been acknowledged by the Miners, and established and confirmed by Verdicts at Law, and Decrees in Chancery and Exchequer: That the Petitioners, with humble Submission beg Leave to inform the House, That the Suitors for the said Bill have notoriously misinformed this Honourable House in Matters of Fact; for that, in many Parishes of the said County, where Lead-ore hath been gotten beyond the Memory of Man, there was never any Tythe paid for the same; and, in other Parishes, where Tythe hath been paid, the same has been a Penny a Dish, and no more: And praying, That the said Bill may not pass into a Law, for the Reasons aforesaid; or that they may be heard, by their Counsel, against the same.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of Dame *Elizabeth Herne*, Widow and Relict of Sir *Joseph Herne* deceased, and of *Sarah, Mary*, and *Alice* her Daughters, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill brought into this House, upon the Petition of *Frederick Herne* Esquire, for establishing a Writing, purporting to be the last Will of the said Sir *Joseph Herne*, in Opposition to a former Will: And it is suggested, That all Parties concerned do consent to the said Writing to be the Will: That the Petitioners are very much concerned in the said Sir *Joseph Herne's* Estate, as well by reason of Agreement on his Marriage, as otherwise: And praying, That she may be heard, in relation to the said Bill, before the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for transferring a Trust in Lands, belonging to the City of *London*, unto new Trustees, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Bucknall*, Sir *Francis Child*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Herne*, Sir *Thomas Cooke*, Sir *William Ashurst*, Sir *John Phillips*, Sir *Robert Dacres*, Mr. *Rigby*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Pelham*, Sir *Philip Sydenham*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Sir *John Fleet*, Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Bryan Stapleton*, Sir *William Yorke*, Mr. *Welde*, Sir *John Kaye*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Thomas Harley*, Mr. *Ashurst*, Mr. *Cook*, Sir *Robert Beddingfield*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Resolved*, That this House will, every Morning at Eleven a Clock, enter on publick Business.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for preventing any Inconvenience that may happen by Privilege of Parliament.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Sir *John Leveson Gower* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Sir *John Leveson Gower* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for erecting and making a Corporation within the Town of *Hallifax*; and for the better Relief and Government of the Poor there; be read a Second time upon *Thursday* Morning next.

Mr. *Blathwait* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had been pleased to direct him to lay before this House an Estimate of the Charge of the Succours for the States General, according to the Treaty of the Third of March One thousand Six hundred Seventy-seven: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table: Where the Title thereof was read; and the Estimate is as follows; *viz.*

An Estimate of the Charge of Succours for the States General, according to the Treaty of the 3d of March 1674.

GENERAL OFFICERS.										per Diem.			per Annum.			
										£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	
Lieutenant General - - - - -										4	0	0	1,460	0	0	
2 Majors General, each 2 <i>l</i> . - - - - -										4	0	0	1,460	0	0	
2 Brigadiers, each 1 <i>l</i> . 10 <i>s</i> . - - - - -										3	0	0	1,095	0	0	
Quartermaster General 10 <i>s</i> . and an Assistant 5 <i>s</i> . - - - - -										0	15	0	273	15	0	
4 Aids de Camp, each 10 <i>s</i> . - - - - -										2	0	0	730	0	0	
2 Majors of Brigade, each 10 <i>s</i> . - - - - -										1	0	0	365	0	0	
Clerk to the Paymaster - - - - -										0	5	6	100	7	6	
Secretary or Clerk to the Lieutenant General - - - - -										0	10	0	182	10	0	
Chaplain to the Lieutenant General - - - - -										0	6	0	109	10	0	
Physician - - - - -										0	10	0	182	10	0	
Surgeon General - - - - -										0	10	0	182	10	0	
Provost Marshal, and 4 Men, each 2 <i>s</i> . 6 <i>d</i> . - - - - -										0	15	0	273	15	0	
Waggon Master - - - - -										0	3	0	54	15	0	
										17	14	6	6,469	12	6	
FIELD and STAFF OFFICERS.																
One Regiment.																
Twelve Regiments of Foot.	Colonel, as Colonel - - - - -										0	12	0	219	0	0
	Lieutenant Colonel, as Lieutenant Colonel - - - - -										0	7	0	127	15	0
	Major as Major - - - - -										0	5	0	91	5	0
	Chaplain - - - - -										0	6	8	121	13	4
	Adjutant - - - - -										0	4	0	73	0	0
	Quartermaster - - - - -										0	4	0	73	0	0
	Surgeon, 4 <i>s</i> . and 1 Mate, 2 <i>s</i> . 6 <i>d</i> . - - - - -										0	6	6	118	12	6
											2	5	2	824	5	10
	One Company.															
	Captain - - - - -										0	8	0	146	0	0
	Lieutenant - - - - -										0	4	0	73	0	0
	Ensign - - - - -										0	3	0	54	15	0
	2 Serjeants, each 18 <i>d</i> . - - - - -										0	3	0	54	15	0
	2 Corporals, each 12 <i>d</i> . - - - - -										0	2	0	36	10	0
	2 Drummers, each 12 <i>d</i> . - - - - -										0	2	0	36	10	0
	60 Private Soldiers, each 8 <i>d</i> . - - - - -										2	0	0	730	0	0
											3	2	0	1,131	10	0
11 Companies more at the like Rates - - - - -										34	2	0	12,446	10	0	
Total for One Regiment - - - - -										39	9	2	14,402	5	10	
The Charge of 11 Regiments more, at the like Rates and Numbers - - - - -										434	0	10	158,425	4	2	
Total for the 12 Regiments - - - - -										473	10	0	172,827	10	0	
For Contingencies - - - - -										0	0	0	15,370	0	0	
Levy Money and Arms - - - - -										0	0	0				

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom it is referred to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

The House was informed, That one of the Sheriffs of the City of *London* attended, to present a Petition to the House :

And he was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House a Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council, of the City of *London*; setting forth, That the Petitioners are, by Prescription, and several ancient Charters, confirmed by divers Acts of Parliament, well intituled to certain Tolls or Duties for Goods of Aliens imported and exported to and from this City, called Scavage, Package, Balliage, and Portage; which Duties have been, Time out of Mind, paid to the Petitioners, and their Predecessors: That, if the Bill, now depending before this House, for naturalizing several Aliens, who are Merchants and Traders in this City, should pass, they will lessen the said Duties: That they are a considerable Part of the Petitioners Revenue; and are appropriated, by Act of Parliament, as a Security towards Payment of 8,000*l*. per Annum to the Orphans, and other Creditors of the said City: And praying, That they may be heard,

by Counsel, touching the Premises; and that their Right to the said Duties may be saved to them.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Jacob Auguste Pynyot*, and others, be read.

Ordered, That the Knights of the Shire, and other Members of the House, do, upon *Friday* Morning next, bring into the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions; is committed; Lists of the Commissioners for executing the said Act, for the respective Counties and Places, for which there used to be Commissioners.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he, with the House, did attend his Majesty upon *Saturday* last; and presented to his Majesty their Resolutions of *Friday* last: And that thereupon his Majesty was pleased to give the gracious Answer following; *viz*.

Gentlemen,  
I RETURN you My hearty Thanks for the ready Assurances you give Me of providing immediate Succours for the States General; and for the Zeal you express for the common

Tolls on Aliens Goods.

Land Tax Commissioners.

Answer to Resolution.

common Cause: I know nothing that can be more effectual for its Support, both at home and abroad, than the unanimous Concurrence, which you have shewed upon this Occasion: And it will be a particular Satisfaction to Me, in my Time, to revive the Glory, which the *English* Nation has formerly had, of maintaining the Liberty and Balance of *Europe*.

Litchfeild Election.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the House do now proceed upon the adjourned Consideration of the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the City of *Litchfeild*; and to the receiving the other Reports from the said Committee;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Jennings, Sir Willoughby Hickman: } 127.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Wm. Strickland, Colonel Setwyn: } 153.

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Report, and the making the said other Reports, be further adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eleven a Clock.

Public Debts.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to receive Proposals for raising Money for paying off the publick Debts, be made upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Conyers also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Enfield Chace.

Ordered, That Sir Robert Davers have Leave to make a Motion to the House, it being near Five a Clock.

Upon which, he made a Complaint to the House, That there are great Quantities of Wood, and young Oaks, in his Majesty's Chace of *Enfield*, now cutting down; to the great Prejudice of the Publick.

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will be pleased to give immediate Direction for the putting a Stop to the felling any more Woods, or young Oaks, in the said Chace.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to inquire, by what Methods or Means the said Waste and Destruction in *Enfield* Chace is made:

And it is referred to Sir Robert Davers, Sir John Leveson Gower, Mr. Conyers, Sir John Thorold, Sir Godfrey Coply, Sir William Strickland, Mr. Palmes, Mr. Gulston, Mr. Clerke, Sir Edward Turner, Doctor Davenant, Mr. Lawson, Sir Edward Seymour, Mr. Brereton, Sir John Bolls, Mr. Rider, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Bromley, Sir Rowland Gwynne, Sir William Ashurst, Mr. Lownds, Mr. Cotton, Sir Thomas Littleton, Mr. Chetwynd, Sir Henry Bellasis, Mr. Lake, Sir Francis Massam, Sir William Hustler, Sir Charles Hotham, Sir Arthur Owen, Colonel Granville,

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Ordered, That the Consideration of the Accounts of Grants in the Duchy of *Lancaster* be referred to the said Committee.

Ordered, That all Committees, except the said Committee, be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Martis, 13° die Maii;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

SIR John Leveson Gower, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for preventing any Inconvenience that may happen by Privilege of Parliament, was committed, the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House resumed the adjourned Consideration of the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the City of *Litchfeild*:

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That *William Walmsley* Esquire is not duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Litchfeild*.

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir John Manwaring, Mr. Rayner, } 98.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir John Bolls, Mr. Poultney: } 113.

passed in the Negative.

Sir Rowland Gwynne, according to Order, reported from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to the said Committee upon the Re-commitment, touching the Election for the Borough of *Hindon*, in the County of *Wilts*; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the Re-commitment of the Matter, reported to the House, upon the Petition of *George Morley* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of *Reynald Calthorp* Esquire to serve for the Borough of *Hindon*:

That the Counsel for the Petitioner insisted, That they had a Majority of Votes, which way soever the Right of Elections should be determined; However, they alleged the Right to be in the Burgators holding of Sir *Matth. Andrews*, who holds by a Lease from the Bishop of *Winchester*:

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And

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Election.

And they produced several Indentures of Return, which gave the Name of Burgators to the Electors; viz.

1660. 3 Car'

13 Car' II.

29 Car' II.

That the Counsel for the Sitting Member insisted, That the Right of Election was in the Bailiff, Burgesses, and Inhabitants not receiving Alms; and alleged, That Burgators, Burgesses, and Inhabitants, of a Borough, were synonymous Terms:

And insisted on the Returns mentioned in the former Report; viz.

2 and 3 Ph. & M.

1 Eliz.

43 Eliz.: Which were by Bailiffs and Burgesses.

Besides these Returns, several Witnesses were produced on both Sides; viz. For the Petitioner, *James Feilds* and *Jacob Gould*: Who said, they had heard, That former Elections had been by the Burgators; but they could not deny, but the Practice, for their Times, had been, That the Inhabitants not receiving Alms had voted: And *Robert Garrat*, *Thomas Giles*, and *Walter Hickes*, who had been acquainted with many Elections, being examined on the behalf of the Sitting Member, did testify, That the several Elections, which they had been acquainted with, were by the Inhabitants not receiving Alms: Whereupon the Committee came to this Resolution;

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Right of electing Burgesses to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *Hindon* is in the Inhabitants of the said Borough not receiving Alms.

That the Petitioner's Counsel proceeded to make out their Majority of Votes; And, first, they said, They would add Four to their Poll: And called

*Wm. Pistell*: Who said, That *Henry Forward* would have voted for Sir *James How* and Mr. *Morley*; and that he keeps a Shop within the Borough, and pays Scot and Lot; and has Two or Three Apprentices and Journey-men: However, it was acknowledged, That he boarded with his Father; who voted:

That *Joseph Lambe* would have voted for Sir *James How* and Mr. *Morley*; and that he has a House of his own; and rents Two Burgages; and does all Duties: However, it was acknowledged, That he boarded at his Father's.

*Wm. Pistell* and *Ja. Gould* said, That *Tobias Powell* keeps a House of Entertainment in the Borough: That his Son lives in Part of the House; yet the House had been divided Two or Three Years; and there had been Two Votes for the same before the Father came to live there.

*Richard Street* said, That *Augustine Gatehouse* would have voted for Mr. *Morley*; and was a Joiner; and lived in a House by himself, and had done so for a Year.

That the next Thing was, to take off from the Sitting Member's Poll.

*Wm. Pistell* said, That *John Hews* lived with his Son; who maintained him:

That *Henry Harbin* rents Part of an House of one *Andrews*; but *Andrews* was refused:

That *Robert Pitman* lives with his Father-in-law, as an Hostler:

That *Gabriel Edwards* has had a Family in Town for Seven or Eight Years; but himself is commonly abroad as a Tapster; and is now at *Mere*.

*James Feild* said, That . . . *Humphrys* and *Henry Stephens* live in One House; so that but One of their Votes ought to be allowed:

That *Francis Smith* went out of the Town by Certificate:

That *Richard Stevens* lives with his Brother, and came down just at the Election:

That *Jerm. Sherlock* came down but Two or Three Days before the Election; and is no Housekeeper, but a Journeyman Shoemaker:

That *William Stevens* and *Roger Waterman* are on the Poors Book for Alms.

That then the Petitioner proceeded to take off several from the Sitting Member's Poll, on Account of Bribery.

*Henry Hill* said, That Mr. *Burlington*, Mr. *Hicks*, and Mr. *Stevens* made an Interest for Mr. *Calthorpe*; and that the said *Henry Hill*, *Richard Hill*, *William Chiverell*, *Nic. Dowly*, *Ben. Chelsey*, *John Wyer*, *James Stevens*, *Antony Lambe*, *Edward Hazard*, *Fra. Ranger*, and *John Chiverell*, were asked to vote for Mr. *Calthorpe*, and received 2 s. apiece; but several of them voted as well for Mr. *Morley* as Mr. *Calthorpe*.

*Roger Sherrington* said, That he received 20 s. of Mr. *Burlington*; who, at the same time, desired him to give Mr. *Calthorpe* a good Word at the Cross, being the Place of the Election.

*Roger Sherrington junior* said, That *Freeke* and *Burlington* came to him, and told him, Mr. *Calthorpe* sent him 20 s. and desired his good Word at the Cross: He voted for Mr. *Calthorpe* and Mr. *Morley*:

That *Roger Farthing*, *John Lawrence*, and *Wolston Hellyer*, acknowledged they had received the like.

*Matthew Keeble* said, That he voted for Mr. *Calthorpe* and Mr. *Morley*; and received the like Sum of 20 s. of *Freeke* and *Burlington*:

That Mr. *Burlington* asked the said *Keeble*, Why he did not see Mr. *Calthorpe*; the said *Keeble* told Mr. *Burlington*, That he had drawn a Hogshead of Beer; which Mr. *Calthorpe* had promised to pay for; but had not: Whereupon Mr. *Burlington* told him, he should be paid for it in some Time; but he could not spare Money at present, for he had laid out 70 l.:

That *John Huddon* acknowledged he had received 20 s. of Mr. *Calthorpe*'s Money.

*Jacob Gould* said, That *John Tyly* had made the like Acknowledgement,

*Field* said, That *Rynald Bolls* voted for Mr. *Calthorpe*; and acknowledged he had received 20 s. of Mr. *Calthorpe*'s Money a little before the Election; and had received before 5 l. and was to have 40 s. a Year as long as he voted for Mr. *Calthorpe*:

That *William Andrews* also acknowledged, That he had received 20 s.

*Richard Street* said, That *John Harding* voted for Sir *James How* and Mr. *Calthorpe*: And he owned, That he had received 20 s. from *George Stevens* and *Walter Hicks*; and that *George Stevens* was an Agent for Mr. *Calthorpe*.

*William Wogar* said, Mr. *Burlington* made an Interest for Mr. *Calthorpe*; and that Mr. *Burlington* told him, He had brought Threescore and Ten Pounds from *Salisbury* in Gold, which was to be distributed amongst Mr. *Calthorpe*'s Friends.

That the Petitioner did also insist upon some other Matters; and, first, of the Partiality of the Bailiff:

To which *Sam. Powell*, *Wm. Pistell*, *Richard Street*, and *Henry Hill*, were called as Witnesses:

The Substance of whose Evidence was, That Mr. *Morley*, after the Poll was cast up, demanded of the Bailiff a Scrutiny; which the Bailiff refused: And Mr. *Calthorpe* desired the Bailiff to declare for him; and pulled the Bailiff by the Arm, and took the Bailiff away from the Cross with him.

*Francis Pistell* said, That Mr. *Calthorpe* desired his Vote, and told him, If he had any Place of Profit, be it 500 l. or more or less, he would give it to the Borough.

*Wm. Obon* said, That Mr. *Morley* was invited to stand by several of the Town; and he was sent to him upon that Account.

That, as to the Four Persons that the Petitioner would add to his Poll, the Sitting Member's Counsel called,

*Nic. Gilbert*: Who said, That *Henry Forward* and *Joseph Lambe* lived in Houses with their Fathers; who voted:

That *Tobias Powell* lives with his Son; who voted.

*Geo. Stevens* said, That *Augustine Gatehouse* pretended to live in a House a Day or Two before the Election, and would.



would have lett it a Week, after the Election; and that he House was not glazed, nor any Bed in it:

And he said, It was agreed, That the Right of the Voters should be decided as they came to vote.

That, as to the 10 that the Petitioner would take off from the Sitting Member's Poll, the Sitting Member's Counsel called,

*Randyll Hughes*: Who said, That *John Hughes* was a Housekeeper, and had been so 40 Years:

That *Henry Harbin* is an Inhabitant, and an Exciseman; but it was acknowledged, That *Thomas Andrews* lives at one End of the House:

That *Robert Pitman* lives in a divided House; but there have been Two Votes for the House several Years.

*Walter Hicks* said, That *Robert Pitman* lives in a Part of a House divided for 30 Years; and which always has had Two Votes.

*John Young* said, That *Gabriel Edwards* has been a Housekeeper in *Hindon* 10 Years, though he was at *Mere* as a Drawer, at the time of the Election.

That *Francis Smith* is an Husbandman, and lives in a House of his own:

That *Richard Stevens* has a distinct Family, and there used to be Two Votes for the House he lives in.

*Sam. Norton*, as to *Richard Stevens*, gave the same Account:

That *Jeremy Sherlock* is an Inhabitant, and has an Estate in the Borough, after the Death of his Mother: And *John Young* said, That *Sherlock* paid him the Land Tax the last Year.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel endeavoured to add Two to their Poll; viz. *John Gilbert* and *Matthew Lovell*: And called,

*Geo. Stevens* and *Robert Gerard*: Who said, That *John Gilbert* would have voted for Mr. *Calthorpe*; but was denied, as an Inmate: And that he has a distinct Apartment, and Family, and has borne Offices.

*John Young* said, That *Matthew Lovell* would have voted for Mr. *Calthorpe* and is an Inhabitant; but he was under Age.

That the next Thing the Sitting Member's Counsel proceeded on, was, to take from the Petitioner's Poll.

That the Counsel observed, That it was proved before, That *Samuel Powell* had a Vote.

*George Stevens* said, That *Anthony Purchase* and *William Gillam* had received Alms, as appears by the Overseers Book of Disbursements:

That, as to the Matter of demanding a Scrutiny, the Sitting Member's Counsel called several Witnesses; viz.

*Mr. Edw. Slade*, *Mr. Hughes*, *Nic. Gilbert*, and *Woolaston Hilyard*: The Substance of whose Evidence was, That they were present at the time of taking the Poll; That it was agreed, That the Right of the Voters should be determined, before they were put down; and accordingly the same was put in Practice: And that, though they were near Mr. *Morley*, they did not hear him demand a Scrutiny, till the Bailiff was gone from the Cross: And *Mr. Hughes* said, That all the Q's, except Two, were determined as they came to vote.

That then the Sitting Member's Counsel proceeded to give an Account of indirect Practices by the Petitioner: And called,

*John Tyley*: Who said, That *Samuel Powell* did endeavour to get Voices for Mr. *Morley* on the Election-day in the Morning; and he gave him a Guinea, and 10s. out of which he returned 6d. to vote for Mr. *Morley*, otherwise he would have voted for him: And that Mrs. *Street* made Voices for Mr. *Morley*; and offered him a Gold Ring, that was then in Pawn, if he would vote for Mr. *Morley*; and that he had drank Beer, and Cyder, and Brandy, several times, and did not pay.

*William Wyer* said, That Two Days before the Election, he was at the *George*; and after Dinner, Farmer *Harbin* sent for him, and Farmer *Sangon* was with him: Who, when he came, asked his Vote for Mr. *Morley*; and told him, If Mr. *Morley* did win the Day, he should have

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40s.; and if he lost he should have 20s.: That, after the Election was over, the said *Wyer* went to *Sangon*, who gave him 5s.; and told him, When all was over, he should have the rest: And that Farmer *Sangon* told him, If he would not go to *London*, he would give him Half a Crown, and bear his Charges while he was out of the Way: And that he eat and drank at *Edwards'*, and *Oban* paid for it.

*Sarah Burkett* said, That after the Election, she met *Henry Hill* in *Westminster-hall*; and she asking him, Who was elected, the said *Hill* answered, That Mr. *Calthorpe* and Sir *James How* had it; but he hoped Mr. *Calthorpe* would not continue in the House, for he was for them that would give him most Money; and Mr. *Morley* had been very liberal.

*Thomas Gyles* said, That he received 40s. of *Sam. Powell* for his Vote for Mr. *Morley*, otherwise he would have voted for Sir *James How* and Mr. *Calthorpe*: And that he drank Gooseberry Wine on the Election-day in the Morning, without paying.

*Randyll Hughes* said, He was present when *William Harding* asked *John Becket* for his Vote for Mr. *Morley*, and told him, That if Mr. *Morley* carried it, he should have 40s.; and if he lost it, he should have 20s.

*Samuel Lawton* said, He received a Guinea, and voted for Mr. *Morley*, or otherwise he would not have voted for him: And that he had drunk before the Election that Week, and did not pay for it: And that Sunday 13 April after Dinner, he was sent for to Mrs. *Street's*; and she told him, If he would keep Counsel, he might have a new Coat.

*John Young* said, That *James Morley* declared, That Mr. *Morley* had offered him a Treat to be for him, or otherwise he would have been for Mr. *Calthorpe*.

*Richard Marsham* and *William Wyer* said, That *Wm. Harding* 4th Jan. proffered to pay him 40s. if he would vote for Mr. *Morley*, and Mr. *Morley* carried it; otherwise he should have 20s. but he had received no Money.

That the next Thing the Sitting Member's Counsel proceeded on, was, Treating by the Petitioner: And, for that, they called Three Witnesses; viz.

*Margaret Waterman*, *Sarah Frith*, and *Robert Edwards*, The Nature of whose Evidence was as follows: Mr. *Morley*, when he was in the Country, had his Lodgings, and kept a Table, at Mr. *Mackrowe's* House, and had Five or Six Dishes of Meat a Day for his Dinner; and when the Dishes came from Mr. *Morley's* Table, several of the Voters did, on *Saturday* and *Sunday* before the Election, and on *Monday* the Election-day, come into the Kitchen, and eat and drank; at which Time and Place *Sarah Frith* was a Servant.

The Nature of the Evidence of *Margaret Waterman* was, That she was a Servant at *Jacob Gold's*, the *Lambe* in *Hindon*, where Mr. *Morley's* Servants and Horses were lodged and kept; and several of the Voters came and drank with the Servants, which Reckonings were put to Mr. *Morley's* Account, which Mr. *Morley* paid; and both of them together spake to the Number of about 27 of the Voters, which eat or drank at one or both of those Places: And

*Robert Edwards* said, That *William Obon* ordered him to draw Beer, the Reckoning whereof came to 3l. wanting Half a Crown, which was drank by Mr. *Morley's* Friends; and he named about Six Persons that had drank of it.

*Edwards* said, He was not paid the Money: And that *Oben* would have had carried half his Bill to Mr. *Calthorpe*; for, said he, there was no Reason Mr. *Morley* should pay all.

Mr. *Edward Pitman* gave an Account, That Mr. *Calthorpe* came down to *Salisbury* about a Week before the Election; and Mr. *Calthorpe* and Mr. *Burlington* were at his House: And that Mr. *Burlington* telling Mr. *Calthorpe*, He had given Money, Mr. *Calthorpe* was very angry: And that Mr. *Burlington* owned, He had distributed the Money without Mr. *Calthorpe's* Direction.

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Mr. *Woodford* and Mr. *John Tous* gave Account of several charitable Acts done by Mr. *Calthorpe*, both at the Town where he lives, and several other Places: Particularly Mr. *Woodford* said, That Mr. *Calthorpe* had for Ten Years distributed Money in his Parish, and in other Parishes.

That the Petitioner's Counsel, by way of Reply, called,

Mr. *Pistell*: Who said, That *John Tyley*, when he was coming to *London*, acknowledged, That he had a Coat and Money, to be a Witness against Mr. *Morley*.

*Ja. Field* said, That *John Tyley* was at his House drinking, and talking of the Election: And *Tyky* said, He never had received any Money of Mr. *Morley*, nor could do him any Hurt.

Mrs. *Street* said, That *John Tyley* came to borrow 40s. of her, but she did not lend it; and afterwards he went to *Samuel Powell's* the Election-day in the Morning, who lent him 40s. as *Powell* declared, of his own Money; and *Powell* called her to be a Witness of it.

*James Feild* and *Samuel Powell* said, That *William Wyer* declared, He never received a Farthing of Money of any body to vote for Mr. *Morley*; but, right or wrong, he would do Mr. *Morley's* Business, because he endeavoured to take away his Vote.

*Ja. Gould* said, That *Thomas Gyles*, the Monday before *Shrove Tuesday*, declared, he had never received Money on Mr. *Morley's* Account; and would not say it for all the World.

*Richard Street* said, That *Thomas Gyles* declared, He could not live in Peace for *George Stevens*; for he would have him go and testify Money, when he had none.

*Feild* said, He was discoursing with *Norton*; and *Feild* declared, He never received any Money of Mr. *Morley*.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions;

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Reynalds Calthorpe* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Hindon*, in the County of *Wilts*.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *George Morley* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Hindon*.

The Two First Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Third Resolution being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *George Morley* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Hindon*;

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Crown do attend this House To-morrow Morning, to amend the Return for the Borough of *Hindon*, in the County of *Wilts*, by rasing out the Name of *Reynalds Calthorpe* Esquire, and inserting, instead thereof, the Name of *George Morley* Esquire.

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Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, according to Order, also reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to the said Committee, touching the Election for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*, in the County of *Salop*; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the Petition of Sir *Wm. Brownlowe*, complaining of an undue Election of *Charles Mason* Esquire to serve for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*; and also upon the Petition of Sir *Gilbert Gerard* Baronet, complaining of an undue Election of *George Walcott* Esquire; to serve for the said Borough:

That the First Petition in Time was, that of Sir *William Brownlowe* against *Charles Mason* Esquire.

On the Poll, there was,

For *Charles Mason* Esquire, 38.

For Sir *Wm. Brownlowe*, 34.

But the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That the Sitting Member Mr. *Mason* had been guilty of Bribery in several Instances.

*Edward Minton* said, That Mr. *Mason* told him, He would give him Five Guineas, if he would swear on a Bible not to discover it: And that Mr. *Mathews*, Mr. *Mason's* Brother-in-law, came to him on *Christmas Eve* and asked him for his Vote; and that, *Minton* telling Mr. *Mathews* he had promised one, Mr. *Mathews* would have engaged him for his other Vote; and offered him 5*l.*; and that, afterwards, Mr. *Mathews* gave him Six Guineas, Five of which were upon the Account of Mr. *Mason*, and One on the Account of Sir *Gilbert Gerrard*; and at the same time Mr. *Mathews* asked *Minton* for a Note for the Money, saying, He must give Mr. *Mason* an Account of it: And *Minton* further said, That he would have returned back the said Guineas; but Sir *Francis Charlton* told him, He would stand his Friend in it.

*Robert Minton* said, That Mr. *Mason* came the Day before the Election, and asked him for both his Votes; and at the same time he asked him for his little Boy, and said, He would put him Apprentice: That Mr. *Mason* told the said *Minton*, That he had given Mr. *Mathews* a Bond of the said *Minton's* of 4*l.* to be delivered up to him; and that afterwards Mr. *Mathews* told him the Bond was lost; but, the Day before the Election, Mr. *Mathews* gave him a Receipt for the said 4*l.* with Mr. *Mason's* Hand to it; though, in Fact, he did not pay any Money:

That the said Receipt, bearing Date 2 January 1700, was produced, and read to the Committee.

*Wm. Minton* said, That Mr. *Mason* told him, the Morrow after the Writ was proclaimed, If he would vote for him and Sir *Gilbert Gerard*, he should have 5*l.*: That, the said *Minton* saying, He would not take his Word; Mr. *Mason* said, He should have the Money, if he would swear not to discover it; and that Mr. *Mathews* should bring it to him: And that Mr. *Morris* afterwards came to him, and told him, That the Money Mr. *Mason* had promised him, he should have; but Mr. *Mason* had not then above Two Guineas: That afterwards he met Mr. *Bright*, who told him, He must go to Mr. *Mathews*, Mr. *Mason's* Brother; and accordingly he went to Mr. *Mathews*, who told out 5*l.* to him: And, the said *Minton* asking upon what Account it was, answered, It was upon the Account he should vote for Mr. *Mason* and Sir *Gilbert Gerard*: And the said *Minton* said, That afterwards he did shew the Money to Sir *Francis Charlton*, and another.

The Three *Mintons* voted for Sir *Wm. Brownlowe* and Mr. *Walcott*.

*Thomas Bright* said, That *Charles Bright*, his Brother's Son, declared, He was to have for his Vote for Sir *Gilbert Gerard*, and Mr. *Mason*, 10*l.*; but that he would not give them his Vote, unless he had 10*l.* due to him for last Election: That they had promised him both, after the Election was over; and he should have Security in the mean time; and that they had made over the *Paintry Wood* to him for the same.

That *Charles Bright* senior, said, he was promised, for his Vote for both 6*l.*; but he had not been paid his Money, nor for his Drink since the last Election; and so he desired *Bright* the Witness not to vote for him: That afterwards the said *Bright* told him, That he had received 6*l.* of him, or otherwise he would not have voted for him.

*Vincent Hamore* said, That *Bright* junior declared, He had the best Part of 10*l.* for his Vote: He voted for Mr. *Walcott* and Mr. *Mason*: And the other *Bright* declared, He would not vote for Mr. *Mason*, till he had his Gratuity; And that *Wollaston* desired his Voice, and told him, He could procure him 5 or 10*l.*; but he did not promise

promise his Vote; and voted for Sir *William Brownlowe* and Mr. *Walcott*.

*Walter Goreing* said, That Mr. *Mathews* came, the Night before the Election, and called him out, and asked his Vote for Mr. *Mason*: And he, said *Goreing*, telling Mr. *Mathews* he had promised Sir *Francis Charlton*, Mr. *Mathews* gave him Half a Guinea: But he acknowledged, That Mr. *Mathews* owed him 10s. and he gave him 9d. out of the Half Guinea: The said *Goreing* voted for Sir *William Brownlowe* and Mr. *Walcott*.

*Robert Wollaston* said, That, the Day before the Election, *Samuel Wollaston* sent for him to the *Old Globe*, and asked him, If he had disposed of his Voices: And, *Robert Wollaston* answering, That he had; *Samuel Wollaston*, as an Argument to vote as he did, told the said *Robert Wollaston*, That my Lord *Macclesfield* was a very honourable Person, and had given him a Place of 18l. a Year, otherwise he would not have voted for Sir *Gilbert Gerard* and Mr. *Mason*.

The sitting Member, Mr. *Mason*, insisted, That in respect of the Death of Sir *Wm. Brownlowe*, he was surprised, in bringing on this Matter: However, he called several Witnesses:

*Walter Wollaston* said, That he did see Letters from Mr. *Mason* to *John Holmes*, wherein he desired there might be no Expences or drinking on his Account; and that himself gave Mr. *Mason* a Caution to beware of the *Mintons*.

*Nath. Farmer* said, That he was at *Robert Minton's* House; and *Minton* asked *Farmer*, Which way he would vote; and told him, If he would vote as he did, he should fare no worse than himself: And further told him, That, if he would not vote for Mr. *Charles Mason*, he did not care who he was for; for he had hindered the said *Minton* from getting 50l. and told him, If he would be for *Jeremy Brown's* Interest, perhaps he would help him to 10 Guineas.

*Samuel Richards* said, That *William Minton* told him, That there were so many of the said *Minton's* Family, as would make Nine Voices: And *Brown* told him, He would give 50l. to have Mr. *Mason* out: And at another Time *Browne* was at *Minton's* House, and he told *Minton*, He was sorry he would not be ruled by him, for it would make him, and his Children; and told him, If he came on the Morrow Morning, he should have a Gratuity to be for Sir *William Brownlowe* against Mr. *Mason*.

*John Holmes* said, He received Two Letters from Mr. *Mason*, wherein he gave positive Orders, that no Friend of his should spend any Money on the Account of his Election; for he would not break a Law he had been concerned in the making of: And that all the *Mintons* said, They expected several Sums on the Account of the former Election; and his Master wrote him Word, That he would have him receive Money of the Tenants, and pay it over to Mr. *Mathews*, to answer their Demands upon the Account of the former Election; and accordingly he did pay Money to Mr. *Mathews*.

*Morrice Pugh* junior said, That several Persons, about Two Years ago, did demand Money of *Samuel Richards*, and others, for Arrears upon Elections before: And that a great many, at former Elections, had let the Burgesses have Drink, and depended on Mr. *Mason's* Kindness to be paid.

And that the Committee, upon this Evidence, came to this Resolution;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Charles Mason* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*, in the County of *Salop*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Charles Mason* Esquire is guilty of notorious Bribery, in endeavouring to procure himself to be elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Bishop's Castle*.

That the next thing proceeded on, was, the Petition of Sir *Gilbert Gerard* against Mr. *Walcot*.

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And the Petitioner's Counsel called several Witnesses: *Samuel Wollaston* senior said, That *Ben. Felton* desired his Vote for Mr. *Walcott*: And his Son came the next Day, and told him, His Master would deliver up his Indentures, if he would vote for Mr. *Walcott*; and that the Indentures were put into a third Person's Hands.

*Samuel Wollaston*, said, He would have had his Son serve out his Time.

*Samuel Wollaston* junior said, His Master *Ben. Felton* told him, If he would vote for Mr. *Walcott*, he would deliver up his Indentures, and set him up; and his Indentures, on that Account, were delivered into Mr. *Broughton's* Hands, and were to be delivered up in April following: However, it was acknowledged, That Mr. *Walcott* was present, and said, He would have nothing to do with Bribery: And that the said *Wollaston* does work with his Master since.

*Edward Pugh* said, It was offered to his Father, by Mr. *Walcot*, That if his Father would vote for him, he would put his Son into an Exciseman's Office; not doubting to do it, being acquainted with Three Commissioners.

That *Robert Minton* and *William Minton* said, They would vote for them who would give them most Money.

*Francis Colbach* said, That *Browne* and Mr. *Bret* made an Interest for Sir *William Brownlowe*: That *Brown* was concerned, at the former Election, in the Distribution of 200l. and made the Persons give Bills for it:

That he was in Arrear 30l. for Excise, to the King; and, being arrested at the King's Suit, *Browne*, and others, gave Bail for him: But, because he did not vote for Sir *William Brownlowe*, they afterwards arrested him, and carried him to Gaol: And the said *Colbach* said, That *Brown* had threatened others.

That Mr. *Walcott*, last Summer, went to the *Bowling-green*, and rode up to *Colbach's* Door, and asked him for his Vote: And, *Colbach* saying he had an Inclination to an Exciseman's Place, Mr. *Walcott* promised him to do him what Kindness he could.

*Walter Wollaston* said, That he was asked his Vote by Mr. *Walcott* and Mr. *Richard Wollaston*; and that Mr. *Walcott* told him, If he would vote for him, he would take him into his own Family to look to his Books of Merchandize: However, he acknowledged he could not keep Merchants Accounts:

That Mr. *Walcot* told him, There was a Sum of Money deposited in Mr. *Wareing's* Hands for a single Vote, and Mr. *Walcot* bid him go to Mr. *Wareing*; but he named no Sum, nor did the Witness go: *Wollaston* voted for Sir *Gilbert Gerard* and Mr. *Mason*.

*Nath. Farmer* said, That all the Three *Mintons* voted for Sir *William Brownlowe* and Mr. *Walcott*; and that he had Discourse with them: And they asked him to vote as they did, and they would help him to 10 Guineas of *Brown*; for he would out Mr. *Mason*, if it cost him 500l.:

That *Hugh Mason* voted for Sir *Wm. Brownlowe* and Mr. *Walcott*: And said, That *Wollaston* had put him into a Place in the Hospital at *Hull*.

*Farmer* voted for Mr. *Mason* and Sir *Gilbert Gerard*.

*Barnaby Owen* said, That *Wollaston*, about a Week before the Election, paid 50s. to *Bowen's* Wife, for Ale drank by Sir *William Brownlowe's* and Mr. *Walcott's* Friends about Three Weeks before the Election.

*Sam. Richards* said, That he had heard *Browne* had given Six Strikes of Malt to *Robert Minton*, to treat the Burgesses; and that he went there a little before the Election, and drank Part of the Ale made with it.

*Charles Bright* said, That *Richard Wollaston* threatened to indict him; and afterwards told him, If he would vote for Mr. *Walcott*, all should be well: And that he paid him for a Barrel of Ale drank Six Weeks or Two Months before the Election:

That, *Saturday* before *Christmas*, he asked Mr. *Brown* for some Money; but Mr. *Browne* said, He could not do it, because the Writs were out: But his Man gave him a 1s.; and told him, If he would vote for Sir *William Brownlowe*

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*Brownlowe* and *Mr. Walcott*, he should never want as long as he lived; *Bright* voted for *Mr. Walcot* and *Mr. Mason*.

*David Haggins* said, That *Richard Wollaston* came in, and asked him for his Vote for *Sir William Brownlowe* and *Mr. Walcott*; and said, He would give him 9*l.* for so much would come to his Share; and also offered him the Use of an empty House of *Sir William Brownlowe's* for his Life; That *Richard Wollaston*, about a Month before the Election, brought a Company to drink, and, a Week before *Christmas*, paid 30*s.* for it.

And that *Mr. Walcott* left with the Woman of a Publick House 5*s.* for Three Burgesses to drink.

*Isaiah Hoggins* said, *Mr. Walcott* sent for him to *Jos. Martin's*, Half a Year before the Election; and, when he came there, he was told, There was an Execution against him, and, unless he would promise to be for *Mr. Walcott*, *Robert Minton* said, he would take him in Execution:

And that *Robert Winton*, a Week before the Election, offered him 10*s.*; and said, He would make it 5*l.* if he would vote against *Mr. Mason* and his Friend: He said, He voted for *Sir Gilbert Gerard* and *Mr. Mason*.

*Humphrey Stockwell* said, That, falling into Discourse with *Richard Wollaston*, he said, He had, before the Dissolution of the last Parliament, laid out Threescore Pounds to procure Votes for *Mr. Walcott*; and that, if he had not done so, *Mr. Walcott* had not sat:

That *Edward Minton* pulled out some Gold, and said, It was for a Debt due formerly from *Sir Gilbert Gerard*: And then he said, He had a Guinea from *Mr. Mason*, to vote for *Sir Gilbert Gerard*; and told it several ways.

That the Counsel for the Sitting Member, by way of Answer to this Evidence, called,

*Theophilus Greenway*: Who said, He was present when *Mr. Mason* brought the Petition to *Sir Gilbert Gerard* to sign; and that *Sir Gilbert* asked, If he might not read it: To which *Mr. Mason* answered, He was in Haste; and so *Sir Gilbert* signed it, without reading it:

That it was agreed, That *Mr. Walcott* and his Family had a considerable Estate about *Bishop's Castle*:

And it was agreed, That *Sir Gilbert Gerard* had no Estate in those Parts.

*Mr. Rich. Okeley* said, That he was present with *Richard Wollaston*, at *David Hoggins' House*; but he heard no Money offered: That *Wollaston* asked *Isaac Hoggins* for his Vote; and he said, He would do it freely: But *David Hoggins* said, He was engaged; and *Mr. Walcott* bid him stand to his Word:

And the said *Okeley* said, He believed he heard all that passed between them:

That he was also present when *Mr. Walcott* asked *Pugh*; who said, His Sons were engaged; but he did not know but he himself might give him a Vote, upon *Sir Fran. Charleton's Account*.

*Walter Cory* said, That *Francis Colbach* declared, That he would vote for no man that would not pay him: He voted for *Sir Gilbert Gerard* and *Mr. Mason*: *Colbach* did owe *Brown* 36*l.*

*Robert Wollaston* said, That *Francis Colbach* has owned, That he did owe *Brown* 36*l.* for the Arrears of Excise, that *Brown* paid for him: And said, That *Mr. Mason* should clear that 36*l.* or he would not give him his Voice: *Colbach* voted for *Sir Gilbert Gerard* and *Mr. Mason*.

*Thomas Greaves* says, He was in Company with *Captain Wareing*, *Brown*, and others, about Three Weeks or a Month before the Election: And *Bowen* owned, That he owed *Browne* Money, and had Notice to pay it.

*Thomas Bevans* said, That, Three Days before the Election, *Barnaby Powell* and *Isaiah Hoggins* were at his House; and, discoursing of the Election, they drank *Sir Gilbert's Health*; whereupon *Bevans* drank *Mr. Walcott's*: And thereupon they were like to quarrel; and they said, *Mr. Walcott* should not stand, whatever it cost them.

*Mr. Broughton* said, That young *Wollaston* came to him on the Election-day to desire him to go to his Master's, to take up his Indentures: And his Master said, He would not let him have them; because it might

be reckoned Bribery; but he should have them in Spring, as he had promised: And *Mr. Broughton* said, There was no Promise made in relation to the Election.

And that, upon this Evidence the Committee came to this Resolution;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of the Committee, That *George Walcott Esquire* is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Bishop's Castle*.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That no Warrant do issue this Session for a new Writ, for another Election for the same Borough, in the room of the said *Charles Mason Esquire*.

*Ordered*, That the said *Charles Mason* be, for his said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Mr. Secretary Vernon* acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That his Majesty would be pleased to give immediate Directions for the putting a Stop to the felling any more Wood, or young Oaks, in *Enfield Chace*; his Majesty had been pleased to signify to the Chancellor of the Duchy, That a Stop should be put to the cutting the said Wood and Oaks; and that the said Signification of his Majesty's Pleasure had been sent to the Chancellor of the Duchy accordingly.

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Address.

*Mr. Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of Ways and Means for the raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

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Means.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Twelve Battalions, Part of the Standing Forces now in *Ireland*, shall be, by new Levies, made up Ten thousand Men, and sent to the Assistance of the States General; and no new Levies to be made in *Ireland*, or elsewhere, to supply the said Twelve Battalions drawn out of *Ireland*.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Twelve Battalions, Part of the Standing Forces now in *Ireland*, shall be, by new Levies, made up Ten thousand Men, and sent to the Assistance of the States General; and no new Levies to be made in *Ireland*, or elsewhere, to supply the said Twelve Battalions drawn out of *Ireland*.

The House being informed, That *Mr. Thomas Colepeper*, who was lately committed to the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, upon Account of the Petition of the Quarter Sessions of the County of *Kent*, has made his Escape; and that the rest of the Persons, committed also upon the same account, do behave themselves very disorderly;

Mr. Cole-  
peper escapes  
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tody.

The Serjeant was called upon to give an Account of those Matters:

Whereupon he acquainted the House, That the said *Mr. Colepeper* had, upon *Saturday* last, made his Escape; and that some of the others had threatened, and he was apprehensive of Force, to rescue them: And prayed the Direction of the House concerning them:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Serjeant at Arms attending the House do deliver *Mr. William Colepeper*, *Mr. David Polhill*, *Mr. Justinian Champneys*, and *Mr. William Hamilton*, Prisoners to his Majesty's Prison of the Gatehouse;

Others are  
transferred  
to Gatehouse.

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ <i>Mr. Hammond</i> ,	} 169.
	{ <i>Mr. Williams</i> :	
Tellers for the Noes,	{ <i>Colonel Lee</i> ,	} 93.
	{ <i>Mr. Topham</i> :	

So



So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrants accordingly.

Address for Proclamation to apprehend Mr. Colepeper.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will please to issue his Royal Proclamation for the apprehending of the said Mr. *Thomas Colepeper*.

Address for removing him and others from Commissions of the Peace.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will please to put out of the Commissions of the Peace, and Lieutenancy, such of the said Mr. *William Colepeper*, Mr. *Thomas Colepeper*, Mr. *David Polhill*, Mr. *Justinian Champneys*, and Mr. *William Hamilton*, as are in the said Commissions.

*Ordered*, That the said Addresses be presented to his Majesty by such Members of the House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Address for more effectual Answer respecting removing Lord Somers, &c.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That a further humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will be graciously pleased effectually to answer the Address of this House for removing *John Lord Somers*, *Edward Earl of Orford*, *Charles Lord Halifax*, and *William Earl of Portland*, from his Council and Presence for ever;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Colonel <i>Grenville</i> , Mr. <i>Bruges</i> :	} 134.
Tellers for the Noes,	{ Mr. <i>Boyle</i> , Mr. <i>Compton</i> :	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of the House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Irish Forfeitures.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, receive all the Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures.

Box's Divorce.

*Resolved*, That the House will, upon this Day Seven-night, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Ralph Box* with *Elizabeth Eyre*; and to enable him to marry again.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 14<sup>o</sup> die Maii;*

13<sup>o</sup> Williemi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

Tipping's Estate.

MR. *Brewer* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for vesting the Estate of *Lucretia Tipping*, an Infant, in Trustees, upon her Marriage; and a Settlement to be made accordingly; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations contained in the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Colonel *Strangways* have Leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Cottonian Library.

Sir *Bartholomew Shower*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better settling and preserving the Library kept in the House at *Westminster*, called  
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*Cotton-house*, in the Name and Family of the *Cottons*, for the Benefit of the Publick: And the same was received.

A Petition of *James Buckly*, of *Totness*, in the County of *Devon*, Gentleman, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Rawlin Mallock*, the Father, late of *Cockington*, in the County aforesaid, Esquire, deceased, was, at the time of his Death, indebted to the Petitioner by Two several Bonds; which, with the Interest thereof to this time, amounts to 362*l.* 2*s.* & 2*d.* and likewise in the Sum of 625*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* for Goods sold to him: That the Petitioner is informed, there is a Bill brought into this House for Sale of the Lands of the said Mr. *Mallock*; and that there is a Provision made for Payment of 100*l.* only Part of the Petitioner's...: And praying, That, since the Petitioner's said Debt is just, and that the said Lands are liable to the Payment thereof, a Provision may be made for Payment; or that the Petitioner may be heard by Counsel, before the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Creditors of *James* late Duke of *Ormond*, and of the present Duke of *Ormond*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Kendall*, Major General *Trelawny*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Sir *Charles Barrington*, Brigadier *Trelawny*, Sir *Francis Warr*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *John Leveson Gower*, Sir *Thomas Wagstaff*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Crawford*, Mr. *Rowny*, Mr. *Chetwind*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Mr. *Cecill*, Mr. *Jennings*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Verney*, Sir *John Trevillian*, Sir *Stephen Fox*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Christopher Musgrave*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Cary*, Sir *Justinian Isham*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Sir *Edward Gresham*, Mr. *Luttrell*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Gwynne*, Mr. *Hunt*, Doctor *Davenant*, Mr. *Freeke*, Mr. *Fownds*, Sir *Henry Bellasis*, Mr. *Lumley*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Sir *Richard Cox*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Roberts*, Sir *Walter Young*, Mr. *Monclon*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Conway*, Mr. *Eyres*, Mr. *Wharton*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Crosse*, Mr. *Hooper*, Lord *Hide*, Colonel *Stringer*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Sir *John Bolls*, Sir *John Kay*, Mr. *Bertie*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Cornwall*, *Devon*, and *Somerset*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hunt* have Leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Foster*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Mr. *Lampton*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Conyers*, and all of the Long Robe, be added to the Committee, to whom it was referred to inquire what Laws are near expiring, and are fit to be continued.

A Petition of *John Basket*, and others, Traders in the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are apprehensive of a great Detriment to themselves by the Bill, now before this House, for the Relief of poor Prisoners, in case the same should pass into a Law, as it now is: And praying, That they may be heard, by their Counsel, as to what they have to object against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the same Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard, by their Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

A Petition of *Alexander Popham*, and others, Trustees of an Hospital for the Relief of poor Widows, founded at *Frayfield*, in the County of *Wilts*, by the most Noble  
*Sarah*

Mallock's Estate.

Duke of Ormond's Estate.

Leave of Absence.

Expiring Laws.

Insolvent Debtors.

Froxfield Hospital Estate.



*Sarah* late Duchess Dowager of *Somerset*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Duchess, by her said last Will, dated 17th May 1686, did, amongst other Things, direct and appoint, That Sir *Samuel Grimston* Baronet, since deceased, and his Heirs, who are seised in Fee of certain Manors, Lands, and Tenements, in the County of *Wilts*, in Trust for her, should convey, settle, and assure the same, for the Maintenance of poor Widows in the said Hospital, in such manner as the same is therein mentioned: And the said Duchess afterwards, by a Codicil dated 10th February 1697, did limit and appoint one other Manor in the same County, for the better Maintenance of the poor Widows; and did also, by her said Will, direct and appoint a certain Manor, and Lands, to be conveyed and settled for the apprenticing several poor Boys yearly for ever: That the said Sir *Samuel* did, in the Year 1698, pursuant to a Decree made in Chancery, convey the said Alms-house, and all other the Manors and Premises, to the Petitioners, and their Heirs and Assigns, upon Trust, for the Benefit of the said Charity: That the said Sir *Samuel Grimston*, refused to take upon him the Trust, as to the placing out of the said poor Boys; and did never assign or transfer the Premises appointed for that Purpose, but died seised of the legal Estate thereof; whereby the said Premises, so not assigned, is now vested in an Infant, who is not capable of acting, or transferring the said Trust; whereby the Charity, as to placing out poor Boys, is likely to be lost: And the Petitioners do find, that they want some further Powers to make them capable of maintaining that good Order and Regularity in the said Hospital, which so charitable a Foundation doth require: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Pelham* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Hindon  
Return  
amended.

The Clerk of the Crown attended, according to Order; and amended the Return for the Borough of *Hindon*, in the County of *Wilts*.

Privilege of  
Parliament.

An ingrossed Bill for preventing any Inconvenience that may happen by Privilege of Parliament was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for preventing any Inconveniencies that may happen by Privilege of Parliament.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Leveson Gower* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Limitation  
of the  
Crown.

An ingrossed Bill for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the subject, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwynne* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow at Twelve a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant do go into *Westminster-hall*,

and Courts there, and Court of Requests, and Places adjacent, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House. Members summoned.

And he went accordingly.

And, being returned;

A Complaint being made to the House, of Endeavours to raise Tumults and Sedition, in order to disturb the publick Affairs; Complaint of Tumults.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address, to be presented to his Majesty, humbly to lay before his Majesty the Endeavours of several ill-disposed Persons to raise Tumults and Sedition in the Kingdom; and humbly to beseech his Majesty, that he will provide for the publick Peace and Security. Address thereon.

And it is referred to Mr. *How*, Sir *Christopher Musgrave*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Sir *Jo. Leveson Gower*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Lord *Marquis Hartington*, Colonel *Granville*, Earl of *Dysert*, Sir *Jacob Ashley*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Humph. Mackworth*, Mr. *Lawson*, Lord *Cheine*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Sir *Thomas Powis*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Thomas Littleton*, Mr. *Thynne*, Sir *Tho. Meeres*, Sir *Richard Cox*, Mr. *Monckton*, Mr. *Townsend*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Popham*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Fran. Child*, Sir *Jo. Kay*, Lord *Mordant*, Sir *Jo. Thorold*, Sir *Robert Dacres*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Heysham*, Sir *R. Onslow*, Mr. *Boyle*, Sir *John Trevillian*, Mr. *Wentworth*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Mr. *Clarke*, Mr. *Hammond*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Blithwait*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Justinian Isham*, Sir *Tho. Mompesson*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Dymock*, Mr. *Bridges*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records: And are to sit *de die in diem*.

Some Words of Contradiction having passed in the House, between Mr. *How* and Sir *William Strickland*, which the House was informed of; House interpose to prevent a Quarrel.

They were enjoined by the House not to take any Notice of, or prosecute, the same without doors:

And they both declared, That they would obey the Orders of the House.

The Serjeant at Arms acquainted the House, That Mr. *Thomas Colepeper* had surrendered himself into his Custody this Day, at Twelve a Clock. Mr. Colepeper surrenders himself.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do deliver the said Mr. *Thomas Colepeper* Prisoner to his Majesty's Prison of the *Gatehouse*: And that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrants accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to receive Proposals for raising Money to pay the publick Debts, be made upon *Saturday* Morning next. Public Debts.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived. Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis*, 15<sup>o</sup> die Maii;

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

MR. *Freeman* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for vesting a certain Messuage, and Lands, in *Stevenage*, in the County of *Hertford*, the Estate of *Richard Nodes*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for making a Provision for his Wife and Children, equal to the Provision secured to them out of the said Estate; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations contained in the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which

which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Pynyott's  
&c. Nat.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Jacob Augustin Pynyott*, and others, was read the First time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council, of the City of *London* do lie upon the Table, until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Lord  
Kilmory's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill to enable *Robert Lord Viscount Kilmory*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, being an Infant, to settle divers Manors, Lands, and Hereditaments, in the Kingdom of *England*, upon a Treaty of Marriage, was read the Third time:

And an Amendment was proposed to be made;

Pr. 4. L. \*, after "Majesty," to insert "by and with the Advice and Consent of:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable *Robert Lord Viscount Kilmory*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, being an Infant, to settle divers Manors, Lands, and Hereditaments, in the Kingdom of *England*, upon a Treaty of Marriage.

*Ordered*, That the Earl of *Dysert* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Hyde's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of *Humphrey Hyde* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, for raising Portions for his younger Children, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Stanley's  
Estate.

A Bill to enable Sir *Thomas Stanley* Baronet to charge his Estate with the Sum of Three thousand Pounds, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker.

The Lords do desire a Conference with this House this Day, at One of the Clock, in the Painted Chamber, upon the Subject-matter of the Bill, intituled, An Act for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree to a Conference, as the Lords do desire.

And, the Messengers were called in again; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Palmes*, Colonel *Byerly*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Sir *Wm. Coriton*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Sir *Jo. Phillips*, Sir *Thomas Hales*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. *Chandler*, Sir *John Bolls*, Mr. *Marks*, Colonel *Lee*, Sir *Ja. How*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Boyle*, do manage the said Conference.

Hertford  
County  
Gaol.

A Petition of the High Sheriff, and Justices of the Peace for the County of *Hertford*, on *Monday* the 28th Day of April, in the 13th Year of his Majesty's Reign, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by a late . . . . intituled, An Act to enable Justices of Peace to build and repair Gaols in their respective Counties, it is provided, That, upon the Presentment of the Grand Jury at the Assizes, or Great Sessions, of the Insufficiency of their Gaol or Prison, to conclude or agree

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upon a Sum of Money, as, by sufficient Workmen, shall be thought necessary, for building or repairing a publick Gaol: That the Grand Jury for the said County of *Hertford* having lately made, at the Assizes, such a Presentment of the Insufficiency of their Gaol; and being of Opinion, that the repairing or building the old Gaol in the same Place where it now stands will be of no Effect: And praying that the Justices of the Peace for the said County, at their Quarter Sessions, may be enabled, by some effectual Law, to levy Money, as well for purchasing some Ground, whereon to rebuild the said Gaol, as for the Gaol itself, as the said Justices, at their Quarter Sessions, shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Cesar* and Mr. *Gulston* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Sir *Robert Austen*, according to Order, presented to Rye the House a Bill for the Repair of the Harbour of *Rye*: Harbour. And the same was received.

A Petition of the President, Treasurer, and Governors, Tythe of *Christ's Hospital, London*, on the behalf of the poor Lead-ore. Children of the said Hospital, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That one *Robert Gale*, Citizen and Vintner of *London*, deceased, did, by his Will dated 4th July 1612, bequeath 20*l.* per Annum for ever to the Children of the said Hospital, payable out of the Improprate Tythes of the Parish of *Brassington*, in the County of *Derby*, purchased by the said Donor; but the said Charity hath been much diminished, by reason of the with-holding the Tythes of Lead-ore, formerly paid in the said Parish: That there is a Bill now depending before this House, for preventing Multiplicity of vexatious Suits; and for settling and ascertaining the Tythes of Lead-ore in the County of *Derby*: And praying, that the said Bill may pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriffs, and Ditto. other Members of the Corporation of the City of *Lincoln*, on the behalf of the poor People of that City, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That one *Robert Gale*, Citizen and Vintner of *London*, deceased, did, by his last Will dated 4th July 1612, bequeath Two-and-twenty Pounds per Annum for ever to be paid towards the Relief of the poor People inhabiting in the said City, payable out of the Improprate Tythes of the Parish of *Brassington*, in the County of *Derby*, purchased by the said Donor; but the said Charity hath been much diminished, by reason of the unjust with-holding of the Tythes of Lead-ore in the said Parish, and by vexatious Suits at Law concerning the same: That there is a Bill now depending in this Honourable House, for preventing Multiplicity of vexatious Suits; and for settling and ascertaining the Tythes of Lead-ore, in the County of *Derby*: And praying, that the said Bill may pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

The House being informed, That one of the Surveyors of the Duchy of *Lancaster* attended, according to Order; Duchy of Lancaster Estate.

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented, to the House an Account of all Lands, Rents, and Estates, of the said Duchy, undisposed of, together with the present Value; and the Value of the Reversions, and improved Rents.

And then withdrew.

And the Title of the said Account was read.

And the Account is bound up with the other Papers of this Sessions.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

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*Ordered*,

Curing  
Fish, &c.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Curing of Fish; and ascertaining, and better Payment, of the Drawback for the same; and for the Encouragement of the Fishery of this Kingdom: And that Mr. Scobell, Mr. Hoblyn, Sir William Coryton, and Mr. Cary, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Corrupting  
Jurors.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent the corrupting of Jurors was committed, be made To-morrow Morning.

Hemlingford  
Land Tax.

A Petition of Sir Robert Burdett Baronet, in the Name and at the Request of a great Number of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Division within the Hundred of Hemlingford, in the County of Warwick, for which Mr. Kendall is High Constable, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners were assessed their full Proportion of Three Shillings in the Pound, according to the Act of Parliament for the Year 1698, and the Rate signed by the Commissioners; and they paid the First Payment to the General Receiver: But some time afterwards, a Warrant was sent by other Commissioners to raise above Four Shillings in the Pound above the said Three Shillings; and for not complying therewith, they were distrained upon: That after another Warrant was sent by the Under Sheriff to raise Money upon the said Petitioners, who are now under Prosecution for the said Monies, upon the said Distresses and Warrant, in the Court of Exchequer: And praying, That this House will not only give them Relief, but prevent such Irregularities for the future.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions; is committed.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the said Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred: and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House, will immediately, after the Conference with the Lords, resolve itself again into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

Then the Managers went to the Conference.

And, being returned;

Mr. Carter reported, That the Conference was managed by the Lord \*; Who acquainted them, That the Lords having made considerable Amendments to the Bill, intituled, An Act for regulating the King's Bench and Fleet Prisons, they thought fit to give Reasons for so doing, to preserve a good Correspondence between the Two Houses; *viz.*

1. The Bill makes a total Change in the Method of Proceedings in the King's Courts at Westminster; which is, That Persons arrested by Process out of those Courts, should be brought to those Prisons; the Officers of which Prisons are under the immediate Inspection of those Courts, and are always present in the Courts, to answer Complaints and Actions that may be brought against them, without arresting them.

2. Country Gaolers, being remote from the Courts at Westminster, may more easily oppress their Prisoners, or give them too much Liberty; and the Judges at the Assizes cannot possibly have Time nor Power to redress Complaints against the Gaolers.

3. Men arrested for Debt in their own Countries may more easily obtain Favour there from the Gaolers.

4. If the Prisoners are permitted to have Liberty in the Towns where the Prison is, the Inhabitants will probably connive at it, by reason of the Profit they will get by entertaining them in their Houses.

5. It lays a heavy Burden upon the Sheriffs, who must answer for all Escapes; whereas now the Plaintiff or Defendant, or the Sheriff himself, may by *Habeas Corpus*, remove the Prisoner to the King's Bench or Fleet Prisons, and so the Sheriff be discharged; and, though the Sheriff may take Security from the Under Sheriff, or Gaoler, yet he must take such Security as he can get, and the Security may prove insolvent.

6. If a Man be in Execution in a Country Gaol, and the Sheriff die, the Gaoler, before a new Sheriff made, may discharge the Prisoner, and the Creditor is without Remedy; but, when a Prisoner is in the Custody of one that hath the Inheritance of the Office, he is still in Custody, though the Officer die.

7. If a Man be in Prison for Debt, and the Sheriff dies, as soon as a new Sheriff hath his Patent, the Prisoner is in his Custody: If, in that Case, the Gaoler suffers an Escape before he hath given Security, the new Sheriff may be answerable.

8. If a Man be a Stranger in a Country, and is arrested in a Corporation, if he cannot find Bail, the Cause must be tried there; though perhaps the Mayor, or other Judge of the Court, and Jurymen, may be all the Plaintiff's Friends.

9. The Country Gaols, which are primarily intended for Felons, and Breakers of the Peace, have not Room enough for all Prisoners for Debt; and, besides, it is not reasonable, that Prisoners for Debt should be kept amongst Felons; and this Mischief will be very great in London and Middlesex.

10. The Bill, as it came from the Commons, instead of regulating, doth, in effect, take away, the Prisons of the King's Bench and Fleet; for, if they are to have no Prisoners, they, by a necessary Consequence, cease to be Prisons; and, though they still remain Prisons, to receive such as are committed by their respective Courts for Contempts, yet they will be so few, that the Profits thereby accruing will not be a proportionable Recompence to the Officers to attend the Courts; so that the King's Four Courts at Westminster will be without Prisons, and without Officers to assist them; for the Sheriffs of the Counties are not to attend these Courts, their Business being confined to their own Countries: Hereby these Courts will be reduced to a more mean Condition than the most inferior Courts of Record in the Kingdom, and be disabled to keep the Peace, or to do Justice; and be liable to all the Insults and Affronts that shall be offered to them; and the Judges thereof will be deprived of all coercive Power.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, take the said Report into Consideration.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself again into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Saturday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Tuesday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the better preventing Bribery, and other undue Practices, in Elections; and for preserving the Dignity and Constitution of Parliaments.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Thursday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of this Kingdom.

*Resolved*,

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax.

Regulating  
Elections.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

Preservation  
of Protestant  
Religion.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* come *Sevensnight*, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the better Preservation of the Protestant Religion; and for preventing the Translation of Bishops from one See to another.

Earl of  
Orford's Im-  
peachment.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*.

Mr. Speaker,

We are commanded by the Lords to deliver to this House the Answer of *Edward Earl of Orford* to the Articles exhibited against him by the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, in Parliament, in the Name of themselves, and of all the Commons of *England*, in Maintenance of their Impeachment against the said Earl, for high Crimes and Misdemeanors, supposed to be committed by him: And they delivered the same accordingly.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the said Answer be read To-morrow Morning.

Enfield  
Chace:

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Bolls* have Leave to make a Motion from the Committee appointed touching *Enfield Chace*, being after Four a Clock.

Sir *John Bolls* accordingly moved, from the said Committee, That an humble Address may be presented to his Majesty, That he will be pleased to give Order, That the Wood and Timber cut, and the Bark of the same, may not be carried off the Chace.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will be pleased to give Order, That the said Wood and Timber cut, and the Bark thereof, be disposed of to his Majesty's Advantage.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty most Honourable Privy Council.

Earl of  
Portland's  
&c. Im-  
peachment.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

We are commanded by the Lords to acquaint this House, That, on the First Day of April last, this House having sent up to their Lordships an Impeachment against *William Earl of Portland*, for high Crimes and Misdemeanors; and having also, on the Fifteenth Day of the same Month, severally impeached *John Lord Somers*, and *Charles Lord Halifax*, of high Crimes and Misdemeanors; their Lordships think themselves obliged to put this House in mind, That, as yet, no particular Articles have been exhibited against the said Lords; which, after Impeachments have been so long depending, is due, in Justice, to the Persons concerned, and agreeable to the Methods of Parliament in such Cases.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Resolved*, That an Answer be returned to the Lords, That the Articles against *William Earl of Portland*, *John Lord Somers*, and *Charles Lord Halifax*, are preparing; and, in a short time, this House will send them up to the House of Lords.

And the Messengers were called in again; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 16<sup>o</sup> die Maii;*

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

Jermyn's  
Estate.

**A**N ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Stephen Jermyn* to make Provision for his younger Children; and for advancing of his eldest Son; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Heysham* do carry the Bill to the Vol. 13.

Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bagot* have Leave to go into the Country, his Father being very ill. Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Henry Bunbury* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Mr. *Mannaton* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for discharging a Mortgage upon the Estate of *Peter Trevisa*, deceased; and providing a Maintenance to his Widow and Children; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations contained in the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of *Nathanael Pinney* of *Arminster*, in the County of *Devon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, in the Year 1690, did, for 300*l.* actually paid, purchase a Tenement, called *Cleoves*, Parcel of the Manor of *Smallridge*, for Three Lives, by Copy of Court Roll, from *Rawlin Mallock*, who was in Possession, and reputed Lord of the said Manor: Notwithstanding which, the Petitioner's Title hath been defeated, and he actually ejected, by reason of dormant Settlements made among the Family of the *Mallocks*: And praying, That he may be named, among the other Creditors, in the Bill endeavoured by *Rawlin Mallock* Esquire, for the Sale of the said Manor; and that the Petitioner's Purchase Money may be repaid out of the Money arising by such Sale; and, to that End, may be heard, by his Counsel, before the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

The Earl of *Dysert* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for erecting a Court of Request or Conscience in the City and County of the City of *Norwich*, for Recovery of small Debts under Forty Shillings, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, to exempt the Close of *Norwich* from the Bill:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, Fol. 6. to insert, after "Persons," these Words; "being qualified as aforesaid, and inhabiting in the said City:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Ogle* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inquire what Laws are near expiring, and are fit to be continued, that they had considered thereof; and had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*,



*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That an Act, made in the Seventh and Eighth Years of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act to prevent false and double Returns of Members to serve in Parliament, be continued.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That an Act made in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Years of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, intituled, An Act for preventing of Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of *England*; and continued by an Act made in the Seventh and Eighth Years of his present Majesty's Reign; be continued.

The said Resolutions being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That a Bill or Bills be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *Ogle* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Regulating  
Elections.

A Petition of the Mayor, Capital Burgesses and Assistants of the Corporation of *Troverton*, in the County of *Decon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners conceive the Bill, now depending before this Honourable House, for the better preventing Bribery, and other undue Practices, in Elections; and for preserving the Dignity of Parliaments; to be destructive of their ancient and rightful Way of Election of Members to serve in Parliament: And praying, That they may be heard, by their Counsel, to such Parts of the said Bill, as appears to be destructive of their ancient Rights and Customs.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the better preventing Bribery, and other undue Practices, in Elections; and for preserving the Dignity and Constitution of Parliaments; is committed.

Minchhead  
Harbour.

Mr. *Pendarvis* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Recovering, Securing, and Keeping in Repair, the Harbour of *Minchhead*, for the Benefit and Support of the Navigation and Trade of this Kingdom, was committed; That the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with an Amendment to One of them, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, \* \* :

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Corrupting  
Jurors.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent the Corrupting of Jurors was committed, be made To-morrow Morning.

Privilege—  
a Person  
petitions for  
Discharge.

A Petition of *John Dunmall*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for being guilty of Bribery on the late Election for the Town and Port of *Winchelsea*, was presented to the House, and read; acknowledging his Offence, and begging Pardon for the same: And praying, That he may have his Liberty.

*Ordered*, That the said *John Dunmall* be brought to the Bar To-morrow Morning, in order to his Discharge.

Earl of  
Orford's Im-  
peachment.

The Answer of *Edward* Earl of *Orford* to the Articles of Impeachment against him was, according to Order, read; and is as followeth; viz.

The Answer of *Edward* Earl of *Orford* to the Articles exhibited against him by the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, in Parliament assembled, in the Name of themselves, and of all the Commons of *England*, in Maintenance of their Impeachment against the said Earl, for high Crimes and Misdemeanors supposed to be committed by him.

THE said Earl, saving to himself all Advantages of Exception to the said Articles, and of not being prejudiced by any Words, or Want of Form, in this his Answer; and saving to him all Privileges and Rights belonging to him, as One of the Peers of this Realm; for Answer to the said Articles, humbly saith,

To the 1st Article,

That he having, for several Years, rendered his Majesty his utmost Service and Duty as a good and loyal Subject ought to do, his Royal Majesty was graciously pleased, upon several Occasions, to take notice of the same; and out of his wonted Bounty, and of his free Will, was pleased to give the said Earl Two Grants; one whereof was a reversionary Grant, for Years, of some Houses, depending then upon a precedent Estate for about 29 Years; which being a reversionary Interest at so great a Distance, although the said Earl thankfully received the same from his Majesty, as his Grace and Bounty, yet the same was of no great Value; and the other of them was a Grant of the Remainder of a gross Sum, amounting to about 2,000*l.* a Year, for Five Years; which are the only Grants of any Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, or Sums of Money whatsoever, which he or any in Trust for him, hath had from his Majesty; and which said Two Grants his Majesty was graciously pleased, after many Years Service, freely to bestow upon him the said Earl, without any Surprise, sinister or indirect Means, of the said Earl in obtaining the same; and which Grants, he humbly conceives, were not unusual in like Cases: The accepting whereof, he humbly hopes, was not any Violation of his Duty, or of any Trust in him the said Earl reposed.

2. To the 2d Article,

The said Earl answereth and denieth, That he, at any time, converted to his own private Use any publick Money issued to him for the Service of the Navy; or that he the said Earl ever procured or had any Privy Seal, or Privy Seals, to discharge him from accounting for the same; but saith, That he the said Earl did make up, and, upon Oath, pass his Accounts for the Monies imprest to him for the Service in this Article mentioned; which Account was legally declared, and passed, upon very strict and great Examination, by the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury; and he the said Earl hath his *Quietus est*, in due Course of Law, upon the same: But the Commissioners of the Victualling Office making some unusual Objections to Part of the said Account, concerning some Provisions furnished to the Fleet, by the said Earl, in the King of *Spain's* Dominions; although the same were truly and really had and spent by the Seamen in the Fleet, and paid for by him the said Earl; and which Objections, in like Cases, had not been made, or stood upon, nor could be reasonably expected; his Majesty was pleased to direct and order a Privy Seal, to dispense with the Form in that Particular; but the said Earl did make no Advantage to himself thereby, nor was his Majesty, or the Government, in the least defrauded therein; it appearing, upon a very strict Examination, that less Rates were allowed for the said Provisions, than had been allowed before in like Cases, or, as the said Earl is informed, hath been since allowed: And, to the latter Part of the said Article, saith, That, for the Monies by him received, as Treasurer, or Receiver General of the Navy, he hath already delivered in his Accounts; and is ready to perfect the same, according to the ordinary Method; some of them lying ready with the Auditors, to be declared; and the rest of them being made up, and delivered in to be examined, in order to be passed: And saith, After just Allowances had, he does not believe he shall appear to be indebted upon the said Accounts; and also denies, that any Persons are Sufferers for want of their Dues, in respect of the said Accounts; or that the publick Service is or hath been any-ways discouraged or discredited thereby, as in the said Article is alleged.

3. To the 3d Article the said Earl answereth, and denies, That he received any Monies whatsoever from the King of *Spaine*, or any other Person, as in the Article



Article is alleged: And saith, That what Wine, Oil, or other Provisions were received from the King of *Spain*, or any others, for the Fleet, were duly delivered, and distributed amongst the Officers and Seamen thereof: And denies he did convert the same to his own Use, or did imbezzle any of the Provisions, or reckoned them, or any Part of them, as bought with the Money allowed for furnishing the Navy with fresh Provisions: And does deny that the said Earl did enjoy any Offices inconsistent in their Nature, as he is advised, one with the other, or which were, or ought to be, Checks one upon the other; or that he anyways secured, or pretended to secure, himself from rendering any Account to the Publick, by any Office or Offices whatsoever; or that he is guilty of the Breach of any Laws, to his Knowledge, by executing any Office or Offices, or ever executed the same, to the Dishonour of his Majesty, or to the Prejudice of his People, as in the said Article is alleged.

4. To the 4th Article the said Earl answereth, and saith, He believes that the Prizes taken in the late War were appropriated as by the Act of Parliament in that behalf is provided; but denies that he did, at any time sell or dispose of any Vessel or Vessels, or their Ladings, or Cargo, taken as, or under the Pretence of, Prize, by any of his Majesty's Ships of War, without Condemnation, or judicial Proceedings; or converted the Monies arising by Sale of any Vessel or Vessels, or their Lading or Cargo, taken as, or under Pretence of, Prize, by any of his Majesty's Ships of War, to his own Use; but, on the contrary, did, from time to time, in his Station, give Orders, that the Prizes taken should be carefully preserved, without Imbezzlement, and duly proceeded against, and the Produce answered as the Law directs: And therefore humbly insisteth, That the Publick hath been no-ways endamaged, or the Debts of the Nation increased, by any Neglect or Default of the said Earl.

5. To the 5th Article the said Earl saith, That the *East-India* Company, about the Beginning of March 1696, did apply to the Admiralty Board, of which the said Earl was One, to empower their Ships and Officers to seize and take all Pirates infesting the Seas within the Limits of their Charter; and likewise to erect a Court of Admiralty in those Parts, to try and condemn such Pirates as they should take: Upon which Application, the Board of Admiralty did take Advice, and were informed they had no Authority to grant the same: And denies he the said Earl ever discouraged or rejected the Company's Request therein, unless it were by telling them, that the Admiralty, by Law, could not grant the same: And denies that the Company was ever denied Letters of Marque in common Form, to the Knowledge of the said Earl: And saith, as to the Matter of *Kidd*, in this Article mentioned, he was gone upon his Expedition about 12 Months before that Time: And as to his Commission, and the Grant, in the said Article mentioned, the said Earl humbly conceives, and is advised, the same were not contrary to Law; but, sure he is, the said Expedition was intended for the publick Good and Service: And saith, The said *Kidd* hath no Powers and Instructions from the Board of Admiralty, other than the ordinary and common Letters of Marque, the Contents whereof are common, and well known to the Merchants: And the said Earl doth deny, that he knew the said *Kidd* to be of ill Fame and Reputation; but in case the said *Kidd* hath committed any Piracies, he the said *Kidd* is answerable, and ought to answer, for the same, he never being ordered by the said Earl so to do; nor had he ever any the least Encouragement given him by the said Earl, or any other, to his Knowledge, to expect or hope for any Protection therein, in any illegal Action done or committed by him.

6. To the 6th Article the said Earl saith, He believes it to be true, that there was a horrid and barbarous Plot and Conspiracy against his Majesty's Sacred Person; and that there was an Apprehension of an immediate Invasion; but the said Earl hopes no Neglect of Duty in his Station can be imputed to him, to prevent the same: And as for the Ship *Duchess*, which was, amongst many

others, armed and equipped in Defence of the Realm, the said Earl saith, That the Men, in the said Article mentioned to be taken from on board her, were but some of the very Persons that were just before taken on board Captain *Kidd*, and returned, by their own Consent, on board Captain *Kidd* again, not being above 20 in Number: And saith, all Fears of the Invasion were then over, and at an end: And denies that the same was intended to weaken, or did weaken, the said Ship, or the Navy Royal; or that the said Seamen, so returning on board the said *Kidd*, were levied or provided at the Expence of the Publick; or did return, or were put, on board the said *Kidd* against their own Consent, or to the Prejudice of the publick Security; or that the Ship *Duchess* was thereby endangered, if she had been attacked, as in the said Article is alleged.

7. To the 7th Article the said Earl answereth, and denies that he did, by Misrepresentation, or otherwise, obtain or procure a Grant or Order for his Majesty's Ship *Dolphin*, to be employed in a private Voyage or Undertaking, but what was done therein, was done after the Peace concluded, and by his Majesty's Command, at the Instance and Request of other Persons, and not of the said Earl, but contrary to his Opinion; nor was the said Earl any-way concerned in Interest therein, till after his Majesty's Orders were given about the said Ship; and then, and not before, some of the Persons concerned in the said Adventure desired the said Earl to take some Shares therein, the Number whereof he doth not remember, which the said Earl accordingly did; but humbly insists that his Actings therein were not contrary to his Duty, or the Trust in him reposed, or the Debts of the Nation thereby increased.

8. To the 8th Article the said Earl answereth, and denies, that, at any time, while he commanded the Navy Royal, he did, through Neglect or Contempt of Orders, unnecessarily hazard, or expose to Danger, the said Navy: And also denies, that, upon any Opportunity of taking or destroying the Ships of the *French* King, he did, contrary to Advice, or in Disobedience to Orders, neglect to do the same: And also denies, that he did suffer or permit any of the *French* King's Ships to return into their own Harbours, when he had Opportunity to prevent the same; and humbly insists, he is not guilty of any Neglect or Omission of his Duty herein; nor did expect, in this Particular, to be charged therewith, considering his Services rendered against the *French* Fleet.

9. To the 9th Article the said Earl saith, He believes it to be true, that his Majesty hath been engaged in several Alliances with several Princes, and particularly with the Emperor, in the Year 1689; and that the End of those Alliances was, to prevent the Growth and Power of *France*, and to secure this Kingdom, and its Allies: But the said Earl does deny, that he did advise his Majesty to enter into the Treaty of Partition charged upon the said Earl in this Article; and, so far as the said Earl was any-ways acquainted therewith, he objected to, and gave his Opinion against, the same.

10. To the 10th Article the said Earl answereth, and saith, That, true it is, his Majesty was pleased to employ and intrust him in the several Offices and Stations in this Article mentioned for several Years, as his Majesty's Occasions required, although not for all the Time in the said Article mentioned: And hopes, and humbly insisteth upon it, that he the said Earl did, from time to time, according to his Duty, and the Trusts in him reposed, discharge the said Offices and Employments with Loyalty, Faithfulness, and Zeal, to his Majesty, and his People.

And, having thus laid his Case before your Lordships, he the said Earl doth humbly insist, and answer to the said Impeachment, and all and every the Articles aforesaid exhibited against him, That he is not guilty of all or any the Matters or Things by the said Articles charged, in Manner and Form as the same are therein and thereby alleged against him; and that the Matters by him before set forth to be done and transacted, or any of them, were not done or committed by him the said Earl

Earl of Oxford's Impeachment.

against our Sovereign Lord the King, his Crown and Dignity, or the Peace or Interest of this Kingdom, or in Breach of the Trust reposed in him the said Earl: And humbly submits himself herein to your Lordships Judgment.

*Ordered*, That the said Answer be referred to the Committee appointed to draw up the Articles of Impeachment.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee do prepare a Replication to the said Answer: And that the said Committee do meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber; and do sit *de die in diem*.

Lord  
Sommers'  
Impeach-  
ment.

Mr. *Harcourt* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Articles of Impeachment, That they had drawn up Articles accordingly against *John Lord Somers* Baron of *Evesham*, in Maintenance of the Impeachment against him for high Crimes and Misdemeanors: And he read the same in his Place; and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read.

*Ordered*, That the said Articles be read, Article by Article.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant do go into *Westminster-hall*, and Courts there, and Court of Requests, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House immediately.

And he went accordingly.

And, being returned;

The said Articles were read, Article by Article; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be Articles of Impeachment of high Crimes and Misdemeanors against the said Lord *Somers*: And the same are as follow; *viz.*

Articles exhibited by the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeesses, in Parliament assembled, in the Name of themselves, and of all the Commons of *England*, against *John Lord Sommers* Baron of *Evesham*, in Maintenance of their Impeachment against him for high Crimes and Misdemeanors.

1<sup>st</sup>, THAT a Treaty and Alliance between *Leopold* the Emperor of *Germany*, and the States General of the *United Provinces*, was made and concluded, in the Year of our Lord 1689, upon their Consideration of the Greatness of the common Danger which then threatened all *Christendom*, from the excessive Power of *France*, and the unconstant Faith of the *French* in the Observance of Treaties; whereby it was agreed, That there should be and remain for ever, a constant, perpetual, and inviolable Friendship, and good Correspondence, between his Imperial Majesty and the States General: That each of them should be obliged to promote the other's Interest; and, as much as in them lay, prevent all Damages and Inconveniencies to each other.

That, during the Continuance of the War, there should not be only a defensive, but also an offensive, Alliance between the said Parties, by virtue whereof, they should both of them act in an hostile Manner, with all their Forces, by Sea and Land, against the *French* King, and such of his Allies as should refuse to separate themselves from him:

That, after the War should be ended, and a Peace concluded, there should remain between his Imperial Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, and the States General, a perpetual defensive Alliance against the Crown of *France*, and its Adherents:

That, if the Crown of *France* should again attack either of the said confederate Parties, at what Time soever the same should be done, they should faithfully assist each other:

That his Imperial Majesty, and the States General, should at all Times, by all Means, and with all their Forces, protect and defend all the Rights of each other, against the Crown of *France* and its Adherents:

And other Provisions were thereby made for their mutual Security, as well during the Continuance of the War, as after the Conclusion of a Peace.

That certain separate Articles were also, at or about

that time, made; whereby the States General maturely considering that *France* had openly declared in several Courts, That, notwithstanding the most solemn Renunciation, they continued their Pretensions, by Force of Arms, to assert, for the Dauphin, the Succession of the *Spanish* Monarchy, in case the King of *Spain* should die without Issue; and also considering what a Blow their State would receive, and what a Prejudice might happen thereby to the publick Affairs and Quiet; did promise, That, in case his said Catholick Majesty should die without lawful Issue, they would, with all their Forces, assist his said Imperial Majesty, or his Heirs, in taking the Succession of the *Spanish* Monarchy, lawfully belonging to that House, together with its Kingdoms, Provinces, Dominions, and Rights; and in their obtaining and securing the quiet Possession thereof against the *French*, and their Adherents, who should directly or indirectly oppose that Succession; and, with Force, repel the Force which should be brought against them:

That, at the Instance of the States General, in pursuance of the said Treaty, and separate Articles, our most gracious Lord and Sovereign his most Excellent Majesty King *William* the Third was invited to enter into the Alliance of the aforesaid Treaty, and into the Agreement of the said separate Articles, and thereupon, for restoring and preserving the publick Peace and Quiet, did afterwards, in the said Year of our Lord 1689, enter into, and, under the Great Seal of *England*, accept, approve, and ratify, and, in the most solemn Manner, engage and promise religiously and inviolably to observe the same, without violating the said Treaty, or separate Articles, in any Article, or suffering the same, to the utmost of his Power, to be violated:

That in the Year of our Lord 1698, a Treaty was projected and contrived in *France*, to be set on Foot between his Majesty, the *French* King, and the States General; for a Partition of the *Spanish* Monarchy; whereby many large Territories thereunto belonging, were to be allotted and delivered up to *France*:

That the Tenour and Design of the said last-mentioned Treaty, whilst the same was in Negotiation, was communicated to the said *John Lord Somers*, then one of the Lords Justices of *England*, Lord Chancellor of *England*, and One of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council:

That the said Lord *Sommers*, well knowing the most apparent evil Consequences, as well as the Injustice, of the said Partition, did not, according to the Trust and Duty of his said several Offices, dissuade, or endeavour to obstruct, its taking Effect; but, on the contrary, having neither Regard to his Majesty's Honour engaged by the said Treaty with the Emperor and States General as aforesaid, to the Trade and known Interest of this Kingdom, or the Peace of *Europe*, did advise his Majesty to enter into the said Treaty; and did so far encourage and promote the same, that the said Treaty was concluded, and ratified under the Great Seal of *England*, then in the Custody of the said Lord *Sommers*; and thereby the Kingdoms of *Naples* and *Sicily*, the Places depending on the Monarchy of *Spain* situate on the Coast of *Tuscany*, or adjacent Islands, comprehended under the Name of *Santo Stephano*, *Porto Herculo*, *Orbitello*, *Telamone*, *Porto Longone*, *Piombino*, the Town and Marquisate of *Final*, the Province of *Guypuscoa*, particularly the Towns of *Fantarabia* and *St. Sebastian*, situate in that Province, and especially the Port of the Passage, which is therein comprised, with several other Parts and Things of or belonging to the said Kingdom of *Spain*, were allotted to the Dauphin for his Share; and the Crown of *Spain*, and the other Kingdoms, Islands, States, Countries, and Places, depending thereon, except such Part as aforesaid, which was thereby allotted to the Dauphin for his Share; and the Duchy of *Milan*, herein after mentioned, was given and assigned to the Electoral Prince eldest Son to the Elector of *Bavaria*, for his Share, to enjoy the same to him, his Heirs, and Successors for ever, never to be molested therein, on any Pretence of Rights or Claims on the Part of the *French* King, or the Dauphin, or his Issue, Heirs or Successors; nor of the Part of the Emperor, the King of the *Romans*, the Archduke *Charles* his

his Second Son, and other Children, or his Heirs and Successors; and the Duchy of *Milan* was thereby agreed to be given to the said Archduke, for his Share; and, in Extinction of all Pretensions and Rights, which the said Emperor, the King of the *Romans*, the said Archduke *Charles*, all his other Children, Successors, and Heirs, might have to the said Succession of *Spaine*: By which Treaty it was also further agreed, That, if any Prince whatsoever should oppose the taking Possession of the Shares thereby agreed on, as aforesaid, his Majesty, the *French King*, and the States General, should assist one another against such Opposition, and hinder the same with all their Power:

That, by a secret Article of the said Treaty, in like manner ratified under the Great Seal of *England*, it was provided, That, if the King of *Spaine* should die without Issue, and the Electoral Prince of *Bavaria* should afterwards die without Issue, his Electoral Highness of *Bavaria*, his Father, should succeed him in all the Kingdoms, Islands, States, Countries, and Places, assigned to the Electoral Prince, as aforesaid, and enjoy the same, to him, and his Children, Successors, and Heirs, then born, or to be born; so as neither the Emperor, his Children, nor any other Person, should, or might, under any Pretext, form the least Pretension to that Succession; his Majesty, the *French King*, and States General, thereby engaging themselves to employ all their Power, by Land, and by Sea, for maintaining the Order established by the said secret Article, relating to the Succession of the Monarchy of *Spaine*:

That the said Treaty was ratified under the Great Seal of *England*, then in the Custody of the said Lord *Sommers*, as an Agreement between his Majesty, the *French King*, and States General; notwithstanding the said Lord *Sommers* well knew, that the same had been concluded between his Majesty's Commissioners and the *French* Ambassador, or the Commissioner of the *French King*, only; and that the Purport thereof had never been communicated to the States General, at the time of the Ratification thereof under the Great Seal of *England*, notwithstanding the Negotiation thereof in *Holland*.

2. That, for the more effectual carrying on the said Treaty, One or more Commission or Commissions was or were prepared, amended, enlarged, or altered, by the said Lord *Sommers*, without any lawful Warrant for his so doing; whereunto the said Lord *Sommers*, contrary to the Duty of the said several Offices, and in Violation of the great Trusts reposed in him, in or about the Month of September 1698, without communicating the same to the rest of the then Lords Justices of *England*, or advising in Council with his Majesty's Privy Council thereupon, did presume to affix the Great Seal of *England*:

That no certain Persons of known Honour, Fidelity, and Experience, were therein nominated Commissioners at the time of the affixing the Great Seal of *England* thereto; but a Blank, or empty Space, was left in the said Commission or Commissions, at the time of the sealing thereof, wherein the Commissioners Names were to be afterwards inserted, beyond the Seas; notwithstanding which, an unlimited Power was thereby granted to the Commissioners, whose Names were therein afterwards to be inserted, as aforesaid, or to either of them, without any written Instructions whatsoever, to restrain, guide, or direct them in the Exercise thereof, in his Majesty's Name to confer and treat with the Commissioner or Deputy, or Commissioners or Deputies, of the *French King*, and also with the Commissioners or Deputies of the States General, for preserving the publick Peace, and touching the Succession to the Crown of *Spaine*; and his Majesty doth thereby engage himself to approve, ratify, and confirm, whatsoever should be thereupon concluded by them, or either of them.

3. That the said Lord *Sommers*, contrary to the Duty of the said Office of Lord Chancellor, did affix the Great Seal of *England* to the said Commission or Commissions, not having first received any lawful Warrant for that Purpose; in Hopes of concealing which evil and most dangerous Practice, the said Lord *Sommers*, after he had sealed the said

Commission or Commissions, used his Endeavour to procure a Warrant to be transmitted to him for affixing the Great Seal to the said Commission or Commissions; and that it might not be known, but that he had it in due time.

4. That the said Lord *Sommers*, contrary to the Duty of the said several Offices, affixed the Great Seal of *England* to the Ratification of the said Treaty, made in the Year of our Lord 1698, not having first communicated the same to the rest of the then Lords Justices of *England*, or advised in Council, with his Majesty's Privy Council, thereupon; and, at the time of his affixing the Great Seal thereto, one intire blank Sheet, and many other Blanks, were left in the said Ratification, with an Intent to be afterwards filled up by other Persons beyond the Seas, as should be thought fit.

5. That, in the Year of our Lord 1699, another Treaty was entered into, in pursuance of the said Treaty made in the Year 1698, and concluded by, and between, his Majesty, the *French King*, and the States General, and also ratified under the Great Seal of *England*, then in the Custody of the said Lord *Sommers*; whereby the Kingdom of *Spaine*, in case his Catholic Majesty should die without Issue, was agreed to be divided, and many large Territories thereof were allotted to the Dauphin for his Share: Which Treaties were evidently destructive of the Trade of this Realm, dishonourable to his Majesty, highly injurious to the Interest of the Protestant Religion, and manifestly intended to disturb the general Peace of *Europe*, by altering the Balance of Power therein, and strengthening *France* against the good Friends, and ancient Allies, of our Sovereign Lord the King.

6. That whereas, by the Laws and Usages of this Realm, all Commissions under the Great Seal of *England*, for the making any Treaties or Alliances with any foreign Princes, States, or Potentates, and all Ratifications under the said Great Seal of all such Treaties or Alliances, ought to be inrolled, and entered of Record, in the Court of Chancery, with, or by, the Prothonotary of the said Court, for a perpetual Memorial thereof; and that the Merchants, and other Subjects of *England*, having Commerce or Correspondence in foreign Parts, may not, through Ignorance of the same, incur the Pains and Penalties by the Law due to those who shall any-ways infringe, break, or act contrary to such Treaties; he the said Lord *Sommers*, not minding the Duty of his Office, did not, in any manner, inroll, or enter of Record, or cause to be inrolled, or entered of Record, any of the said Commissions or Ratifications, in the foregoing Articles mentioned, as by the Duty of his Place he should and ought to have done; but so to do did totally neglect and omit, in Breach of his said Duty, and in Violation of the Laws of this Realm.

7. That the said Lord *Sommers*, when the Custody of the Great Seal of *England* was committed to him, did swear, well and truly to serve our Sovereign Lord the King, and his People, Poor and Rich, after the Laws and Usages of this Realm; and truly to counsel the King, and his Counsel to keep, and not to know nor suffer the Hurt or Disinheriting of the King, or that the Rights of the Crown should be decreased, as far forth as he might lett it; and, if he could not lett it, that he would make it clearly and expressly to be known unto the King, with his true Advice and Counsel; and that he should do and purchase the King's Profit in all he reasonably might; or to that Effect:

And the said Lord *Sommers* afterwards took the said Oath, as Lord Chancellor of *England*.

That the said Lord *Sommers*, being Lord Keeper of the Great Seal, or Lord Chancellor of *England*, and one of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, whilst this Nation was engaged in a most tedious and expensive War against the *French King*, for preserving the Balance and Liberties of *Europe*, and almost exhausted with Supplies and Taxes for carrying on the same, and under such heavy Debts, as, without the utmost Frugality, or laying insupportable Taxes on the Commons of *England*, were impossible

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impossible to be satisfied, contrary to his said Oath, did pass many great, unreasonable, and exorbitant Grants, under the Great Seal of *England*, of divers Manors, Lordships, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Revenues, and Interests, belonging to the Crown of *England*, amounting to a most prodigious and excessive Value; and did advise, promote, and procure, divers great, unreasonable, and exorbitant Grants to be made of several of the late forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; in Contempt of the Advice of his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of *England* in Parliament assembled, and without any regard to his Majesty's most gracious Assurance thereupon to both his Houses of Parliament; and engaged to procure, and accordingly did procure, divers Acts, prepared for confirming the said Grants in Parliament in *Ireland*, to be approved in Council in *England*; and afterwards remitted the same, under the Great Seal of *England*, to be passed into Laws in *Ireland*.

8. That the said Lord *Somers*, during the time of his being Lord Keeper of the Great Seal, and Lord Chancellor of *England*, did not only receive and enjoy the Fees, Profits, and Perquisites, of or belonging to the Great Seal, established by Law, as a sufficient and ample Recompence and Reward for the faithful Discharge of that high Station; but also, as a further Encouragement, through his Majesty's most abundant Grace and Bounty, received an annual Pension, or Allowance, from the Crown, of 4,000*l.* and many other Profits and Advantages; notwithstanding which, the said Lord *Somers*, not being contented therewith, contrary to the said Oath, begged and procured, for his own Benefit, many great, unreasonable, and exorbitant Grants of several Manors, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Hereditaments, and Revenues, belonging to the Crown of *England*:

That, in or about the Month of April 1697, the said Lord *Somers*, being then Lord Chancellor of *England*, and of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, contrary to his said Oath, did procure and pass a Grant under the Great Seal of *England*, without any real Consideration whatsoever, to *Joseph Jekyll* Esquire, and his Heirs for ever, of the Manor or Manors of *Rygate* and *Howligh*, with all and singular their Rights, Members, and Appurtenances, situate and being in the Parish of *Rygate* or elsewhere, in the County of *Surry*, and of all Quit Rents, Rents of Assize, Free Rents, Conventional Rents, Copyhold and Customary Rents, and all other Rents whatsoever, to the said Manor or Manors belonging or appertaining, with the Site of the ruined Castle, and of all other Demesne Lands of the said Manor or Manors, with the Rents reserved on any Leases then in being, of any Parts thereof, and of all other Lands, Meadows, Feedings, Pastures, Messuages, Houses, Edifices, Buildings, Barns, Stables, Dove-houses, Tolls of Market or Fairs, with the Market-house there; and also of all Warrens, Chases, Parks, Commons, Woods, Underwoods, Woodlands, waste Grounds, Courts Leet, Courts Baron, and other Courts, Services, Franchises, Heriots, Fines, Issues, Amerciaments, and all other Profits and Perquisites of the said Courts, Rights, Royalties, and Jurisdictions, and of divers other Matters, Hereditaments, and Appurtenances, to the said Manor or Manors, or either of them, or to the Royalties thereof, belonging, or in any-wise appertaining; which Premises were Parcel of the Demesnes and Revenues of the Crown, and of the Value of 12,000*l.* and upwards:

That, under Pretence of purchasing divers Fee-farm Rents, and other Rents, vested in Trustees for Sale thereof, in pursuance of several Acts of Parliament, made in the Reign of his late Majesty King *Charles* the Second; the said Lord *Somers*, in the Year of our Lord 1697, procured a Warrant from his Majesty under his Sign Manual, to the Commissioners of the Treasury then being, to contract, or give Warrant to the Trustees for Sale of Fee-farm Rents to contract, with *Humphry Hetherington* Esquire, or such as he should nominate, for as many Fee-farm and other Rents, then remaining unsold, except such Rents as were set apart for Payment of Pensions in the Pension Deeds, as should amount unto 800*l.* per

Annum, at the Rate of Sixteen Years Purchase; and that, upon such Contract, the said Commissioners of the Treasury should give Warrant for conveying the said Rents to the said *Humphrey Hetherington*, or such as he should appoint, and his Heirs:

That, under the like Pretence, and at or about the same time, the said Lord *Somers* procured another Warrant from his Majesty, under his Sign Manual, to the said Commissioners of the Treasury, to contract, or give Warrant to the said Trustees to contract, with *Richard Adny* Esquire, or such as he should nominate, for as many Fee-farm and other Rents, then remaining unsold, except as aforesaid, as should amount to 700*l.* per Annum, at the Rate of Sixteen Years Purchase; and that, upon the said Contract, the said Commissioners should give Warrant for conveying the said Rents unto the said *Richard Adny*, or such as he should nominate, and his Heirs:

That, under the like Pretence, and at or about the same time, the said Lord *Somers* procured another Warrant from his Majesty, under his Sign Manual, to the said Commissioners of the Treasury, to contract, or give Warrant to the said Trustees to contract, with *Samuel Newton* Esquire, or such as he should nominate, for as many Fee-farm and other Rents, then remaining unsold, except as aforesaid, as should amount unto 600*l.* per Annum, at the Rate of Sixteen Years Purchase; and that, upon such Contract, the said Commissioners should give Warrant for conveying the said Rents unto the said *Samuel Newton*, or such as he should nominate, and his Heirs:

That, in pursuance of Warrants of the said Commissioners of the Treasury thereupon, certain Contracts were made, or pretended to be made, with the said *Humphrey Hetherington*, *Richard Adny*, and *Samuel Newton*, for the real Sale of divers Fee-farm Rents, and other Rents of the several and respective yearly Values aforesaid; by virtue whereof, the said *Humphrey Hetherington*, *Richard Adny*, and *Samuel Newton*, became obliged to pay into the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer at *Westminster*, for the Purchase of the several and respective Rents to them respectively to be conveyed, as aforesaid, the Sums herein after mentioned; that is to say, The said *Humphrey Hetherington*, 12,800*l.* the said *Richard Adny*, 11,200*l.* and the said *Samuel Newton*, 9,600*l.*

That, in pursuance of such Contracts, or pretended Contracts, through the Power of the said Lord *Somers*, and by his Means and Procurement, divers Fee-farm Rents, and other Rents, were, by certain Indentures Tripartite of Bargain and Sale, bearing Date on or about the 6th Day of January 1697, in Consideration of 3,200*l.* therein mentioned to have been paid by the said *Humphrey Hetherington*, unto his Majesty, at the Receipt of his Exchequer at *Westminster*, or by other Assurance in the Law, granted and conveyed by the said Trustees, by the Appointment of the said *Humphrey Hetherington*, to *Leonard Hancock*, of *Cheshunt*, in the County of *Hartford*, Esquire, and *John Warner*, of the Parish of *St. Clements Danes*, in the County of *Middlesex*, Goldsmith, and their Heirs:

And, by other Indentures of Bargain and Sale, of the same Date, or other Assurance in the Law, divers other Fee-farm Rents and other Rents therein mentioned, in Consideration of 9,600*l.* therein mentioned to have been paid by the said *Humphrey Hetherington* to his Majesty, at the Receipt of his Exchequer at *Westminster*, being the Residue of the said Sum of 12,800*l.* were, by the said Trustees, granted and conveyed to the said *Humphrey Hetherington*, and his Heirs; which Fee-farm and other Rents, so conveyed unto, or by the Appointment of, the said *Humphrey Hetherington*, amount to the full yearly Value of 800*l.*

And, by other Indentures of Bargain and Sale, of the same Date, or other Assurance in the Law, and in Consideration of 2,400*l.* therein mentioned to have been paid by the said *Richard Adny* unto his Majesty, at the Receipt of his Exchequer at *Westminster*, other Fee-farm Rents, and other Rents, were, by the Appointment of the said *Richard Adny*, granted and conveyed by the said Trustees

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to the said *Leonard Hancock* and *John Warner*, and their Heirs.

And, by other Indentures of Bargain and Sale, of the same Date, or other Assurance in the Law, in Consideration of 8,800 *l.* in the same Indentures mentioned to have been paid by the said *Richard Adny* to his Majesty, at the Receipt of his Exchequer at *Westminster*, being the Residue of the said Sum of 11,200 *l.* divers other Fee-farm Rents, and other Rents, therein mentioned, were granted and conveyed by the said Trustees to the said *Richard Adny*, and his Heirs; which Fee-farm and other Rents, so conveyed to, or by the Appointment of, the said *Richard Adny*, amount to the full yearly Value of 700 *l.* per Annum.

And, by other Indentures of Bargain and Sale, bearing Date on or about the 25th Day of April 1698, or other Assurance in the Law, in Consideration of 2,400 *l.* therein mentioned to have been paid by the said *Samuel Newton* to his Majesty, at the Receipt of his Exchequer at *Westminster*, other Fee-farm Rents, and other Rents, therein mentioned, were, by the Appointment of the said *Samuel Newton*, granted and conveyed by the said Trustees to the said *Leonard Hancock* and *John Warner*, and their Heirs.

And, by other Indentures of Bargain and Sale, of the same Date, or other Assurance in Law, in Consideration of 7,200 *l.* therein mentioned to have been paid by the said *Samuel Newton* to his Majesty, at the Receipt of his Exchequer at *Westminster*, being the Residue of the said Sum of 9,600 *l.* divers other Fee-farm Rents, and other Rents, therein mentioned, were granted and conveyed by the said Trustees to the said *Samuel Newton*, and his Heirs; which said several Rents, so conveyed unto, or by the Appointment of, the said *Samuel Newton*, amount to the yearly Value of 600 *l.*

That the said several Manors, and Rents aforesaid, were granted to the said *Joseph Jekyll*, *Humphrey Hetherington*, *Richard Adny*, and *Samuel Newton*, and their Heirs respectively, as aforesaid, in Trust only for the said Lord *Somers*, and his Heirs.

9. That the said Lord *Somers*, in order to procure a Grant of the said Fee-farm Rents, for his own Benefit, whilst he was Lord Chancellor of *England*, and One of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, whilst his Majesty was engaged in the said War, and the Nation under such heavy Debts as aforesaid, did enter into several Treaties, and had many Communications, with divers Persons intrusted with the Care and Management of the said Fee-farm Rents; and particularly with *Reginald Marriot*, of the Parish of *St. Clement Dances*, in the County of *Middlesex*, Auditor of the Rates, or acting as Auditor; and with *John Digby*, of the Parish of *St. Bride's*, *London*, Clerk of the Trustees for Sale of the said Fee-farm Rents; and other evil disposed Persons: And for encouraging the said *Marriott*, *Digby*, and others, to discover to him such particular Fee-farm and other Rents, as then remained undisposed of, to the Intent the said Lord *Somers* might beg the same, he the said Lord *Somers* contracted, and agreed with the said *Marriott*, to give the said *Marriott*, for himself and his Accomplices, as a Reward for the said Discovery, One full Fourth-part of all such Rents so discovered, whereof the said Lord *Somers* should procure a Grant from the Crown: And accordingly the said several Grants from the said Trustees to the said *Hancock* and *Warner*, being together of the yearly Value of 500 *l.* per Annum, and upwards, were so made by the Direction of the said Lord *Somers*, in Trust for the said *Marriott*, *Digby*, and others.

10. That notwithstanding the pretended Contracts and Payments, there was not any Sum of Money whatsoever, really, and *bona fide*, paid as the Consideration of the Conveyances of the said Rents from the said Trustees; but such Contracts and Payments of the said several Considerations, amounting, in the Whole, to 33,600 *l.* were colourably and fraudently contrived and made by Direction of the Lord *Somers*, contrary to his said Oath, in

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11. That many Quit-rents and Copyhold-rents, standing in Charge as Parcel of, or belonging to, several Manors, or reputed Manors, Rents reserved upon Leases or Estates, the Reversion whereof was in his said Majesty King *Charles* the Second, at the making the said Acts; Rents conveyed before in Lease, and granted to other Persons; Rents appropriated by, or in pursuance of, Act or Acts of Parliament, for Payment of Pensions, Stipends, Salaries, Annuities, Alms, and Allowances, for the Maintenance of Grammar Schools or Scholars, or for or towards the Reparation of Churches, Chapels, Highways, Causeways, Bridges, Schools, Alms-houses, Castles, or other Uses; and many Quit-rents of Manors, and other Rents, by Act of Parliament, united and annexed to the Castle of *Windsor*, with Intent to support and maintain the yearly Reparations and Charges of the said Castle, and discharge and pay the Fees and Wages of the Officers, Servants, and Attendants, at the same Castle, and the Forests, Chaces, and Parks, to the same belonging, and for many Years applied, according to the Intention of the said Acts; and also many Quit-rents of, or belonging to, divers ancient Manors, heretofore, and yet, Parcel of the Demesnes or Possessions of the Crown, as if the same had been intire Fee-farm Rents issuing out of those Manors; were by the aforesaid several Indentures of Bargain and Sale, through the Direction and Power of the said Lord *Somers*, conveyed, by the said Trustees for Sale of Fee-farm Rents, to the said *Humphrey Hetherington*, *Richard Adny* and *Samuel Newton*, and to the said *Hancock*, and *Warner*, and their Heirs, or unto some of them, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of the said Acts of Parliament; to the great Vexation and Oppression of many of his Majesty's good Subjects, and creating many new and unreasonable Charges on other Revenues of the Crown.

12. That by the Direction of the said Lord *Somers*, the said *Humphrey Hetherington*, *Richard Adny*, *Samuel Newton*, *Leonard Hancock*, and *John Warner*, surrendered several of the said Rents to them granted, as aforesaid, amounting to the yearly Value of 347 *l.* 11 *s.* 5 *d.* on Suggestion, that the same were either conveyed before in Lease, set apart for Payment of Pensions, old Supers, bad or illeivable, or Part thereof bad or illeivable, or wrong conveyed: And the said Lord *Somers*, in the Year of our Lord 1699, being then Lord Chancellor of *England*, and one of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, in Breach of his Duty, and contrary to the Laws and Statutes of this Realm, procured other Rents, of the yearly Value of 391 *l.* 0 *s.* 3 *d.* to be allowed by way of Reprize, and to be conveyed to *Richard Adny*, and his Heirs, in Trust for the said Lord *Somers*, and his Heirs, as if the said yearly Rents of 347 *l.* 11 *s.* 5 *d.* so surrendered, had been really, and *bona fide*, purchased, in pursuance of the said Acts for Sale of Fee-farm Rents.

13. That, in the Year of our Lord 1695, the said Lord *Somers*, being then Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of *England*, as also One of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, together with *Edward* Earl of *Orford*, then First Commissioner for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, and Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Navy Royal, and one of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, *Richard* Earl of *Bellamont* in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Governor of *New-York* and *New-England*, and others, then in high Stations, and in great Power and Authority, procured a Commission to be granted unto one *William Kidd*, a Person of evil Fame and Reputation, and since that time convicted of Piracy, to apprehend, and take into his Custody, divers Persons therein named, and all such Pirates as the said *Kidd* should meet with upon the Coasts or Seas of *America*, or in any other Seas or Parts, with their Ships and Vessels, and also such Merchandizes, Goods, and Wares, as should be found on board, or with them: And afterwards the said Lord *Somers*, in the Year of our Lord 1697, with the Assistance of the said Earl of *Orford*, and other Persons

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aforesaid, procured a Grant from his Majesty; and the said Lord Somers passed the same under the Great Seal of England; whereby all and whatsoever Ships, Vessels, Goods, Merchandizes, Treasure, and other things whatsoever, which, since the 30th Day of April 1696, had been taken or seized upon or with, or did belong to, or which should be taken or seized upon or with, or did or should belong to, *Thomas Soo, John Irelands, Thomas Wake, and William Maze*, in the said Letters Patents mentioned to have been complained of, and informed against, for committing many Robberies, Piracies, and Depredations, upon the Seas in the Parts of *America*, and other Places, but never convicted or attainted for the same; or which, since the said 30th Day of April 1696, had been taken or seized upon; or which did or should belong to any of the Adherents of the said *Thomas Soo, John Ireland, Thomas Wake, and William Maze*, or any other Pirates, Freebooters, and Sea Rovers, by the said *William Kidd*, or other Commander of the *Adventure Gally*; or which by, or by Means of the said Ship or Gally, should be taken, or forced on Shore, in any of his Majesty's Plantations of *America*; were granted unto the said *Richard Earl of Bellamont*, and unto *Edmund Harrison Merchant, Samuel Newton Gentleman, William Rowley Gentleman, George Watson Gentleman, and Thomas Reynolds, of St. Martin's, \* \**, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, to their own sole Use and Benefit, and as their own proper Goods and Chattels, without any Account thereof or therefore to be made; in which Grant, the Name of the said *Samuel Newton* was used in Trust, and for the only Benefit and Advantage of the said Lord Somers: Which said Grant, under the Great Seal of England, manifestly tended to the Destruction and Discouragement of Trade and Navigation, the great Loss and Prejudice of Merchants and others, being his Majesty's Subjects, or Subjects of the Friends and Allies of his Majesty, and the Dishonour of the King and Kingdom; and the said Lord Somers was, by procuring and passing the said Grant, guilty of a notorious Breach of his Duty.

14. That the said *John Lord Somers*, to the great Oppression of the Subjects, and contrary to *Magna Charta*, and divers good Statutes of this Realm, and in manifest Breach and Violation of his Oath as Lord High Chancellor of England, hath, in several Causes depending before him, by many extraordinary Methods, and unwarrantable Practices, for several Years, delayed Proceedings in the said Causes; and, by colour of his Office, hath made divers arbitrary and illegal Orders, in Subversion of the Laws and Statutes of this Realm; and hath, of his own Authority, reversed Judgments given in the Court of Exchequer, and without calling before him the Barons of the Exchequer to hear their Informations, and the Causes of their Judgments, as the Statute, in those Cases, expressly directs; assuming thereby to himself an arbitrary and illegal Power: And hath declared and affirmed, in publick Places of Judicature, That particular Subjects might have Rights and Interests, without any Remedy for Recovery of the same, unless by Petition to the Person of the King only; or to that Effect: Which Position was highly dangerous to the legal Constitution of this Kingdom, and absolutely destructive to the Property of the Subject.

And the said Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, by Protestation, saving to themselves the Liberty of exhibiting, at any time hereafter, any further Articles, or other Accusation or Impeachment, against the said Lord Somers; and also of replying to his Answers, which he shall make unto the said Articles, or any of them; and of offering Proofs to all and every the aforesaid Articles, and to all and every other Articles, Impeachment, or Accusation, which shall be exhibited by them, as the Cause shall, according to the Course of Parliament, require; do pray, That the said *John Lord Somers* may be put to answer the said Crimes and Misdemeanors; and that such Proceedings, Examinations, Tryals, and Judgments, may be thereupon had and given, as is agreeable to Law and Justice.

Ordered, That the said Articles of Impeachment be ingrossed.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty. Ways and Means.

Mr Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That he would be pleased to put out of the Commissions of the Peace and Lieutenancy such of Mr. *William Colepeper*, Mr. *Thomas Colepeper*, Mr. *David Polhill*, Mr. *Justinian Champneys*, and Mr. *William Hamilton*, as were in the said Commissions; his Majesty had been pleased to give Directions accordingly. Answer to Address.

Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned. Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Sabbati, 17° die Maii;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

AN ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for dissolving the Marriage of Sir *John Dillon* with *Mary Boyle*; and for other Purposes therein mentioned; was read a Second time. Dillon's Divorce.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House upon the said Bill.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the Petition of Dame *Mary Dillon* be referred to the said Committee: And that she be heard, by her Counsel, before the said Committee, thereupon.

A Petition of *George Edwards Esquire*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *John Deane*, late of *Oxenwood*, in the County of *Wilts*, Esquire, did, about the 10th of July 1691, enter into a Recognizance to the Petitioner for 250*l.* of him borrowed: That the said Mr. *Deane* being a Member of this Honourable House, and dying before the Money was paid, or any Part thereof, the Petitioner did make Inquiry into his Estate and Circumstances; and, finding the same incumbered, hath not yet had an Opportunity to discover the Validity and Reality of the same: That the Petitioner is informed, there is a Bill, now depending in this Honourable House, to enable *James Deane*, his eldest Son, to sell Part of his Father's Estate; and for settling the other Part on the Children of the said *John and James Deane*; which Bill, if it should pass, will endanger the Loss of the Petitioner's Money: And praying, That the Petitioner may be heard, by his Counsel, for a saving Clause, before the said Bill do pass. Deane's Estate.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Ordered, That the Bill for the speedy Discovery and Suppression of Vagrants; and better regulating disorderly Servants; and for the more easy Recovery of Servants Wages; be read upon Tuesday Morning next. Servants Wages, &c.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for separating *James Earl of Anglesey* from *Catharine Countess of Anglesey* his Wife, for the Cruelty of the said Earl. Countess of Anglesey's Separation.

The Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to enquire into the Reasons, how the Seamen came to be discharged, without being paid, being offered; Discharging Seamen.

Ordered,

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made upon *Wednesday Morning* next.

St. Martin's  
Parish  
Estate.

A Bill for improving the Ground belonging to *St. Martin's Parish*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Crosse*, Mr. *Heysham*, Sir *Tho. Mompesson*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Mr. *Loeather*, Mr. *Chandler*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Sir *Thomas Davall*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Robert Austen*, Sir *Jo. Mordant*, Mr. *Phips*, Mr. *Walmesley*, Mr. *Jervois*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Stretford*, Mr. *Williams*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Taylor*, Sir *Edward Turner*, Mr. *Bucknall*, Mr. *Musgrove*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Mounsteven*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Fuller*, Sir *Hen. Bunbury*, Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, Sir *John Kay*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Lake*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Middlesex* and *Surry*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Privilege—  
A Person  
petitions for  
Discharge.

A Petition of *John Whiteborough*, of *Exon*, in the County of *Devon*, now in the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, was presented to the House, and read:

And the same relating to the Breach of Privilege against Sir *Edward Seymour*; who not being in the House;

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until Sir *Edward Seymour* do come into the House.

Cottonian  
Library.

A Bill for the better settling and preserving the Library kept in the House at *Westminster*, called *Cotton-house*, in the Name and Family of the *Cottons*, for the Benefit of the Publick, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Monday Morning* next.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of several Officers, and Persons belonging to the Army, to whom Arrears of Pay, and other Sums, are owing, upon Account of their Services and Disbursements, which, as they conceive, were intended to be paid out of the *Irish* Forfeitures, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the First of the Petitioners have served very faithfully in their several Stations, and, as well as the latter, who laid out their Money in the publick Service, have his Majesty's Warrants to the Paymaster General of the Forces, for the Payment of their Arrears of Pay, and the Sums expended by them; most of which Warrants the Petitioners brought to the late Commissioners of Accounts before the First Day of September, in hopes of receiving Certificates for the same; but could not obtain them, by reason the Commissioners had not Power, by the late Act for examining and determining the Debts due to the Army, to meddle in those particular Cases: That the Petitioners are in no likelihood of receiving their said Debts, unless this Honourable House think fit to enlarge the Powers of the said Commissioners to be appointed by the Bill of Accounts now before the House: And praying, That this House will take their Case into Consideration; and grant them Relief.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom, was committed.

Hertford  
County Gaol.

Mr. *Gulston*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for removing the County Gaol of *Hertford*: And the same was received.

Barbadoes—  
Administra-  
tion of  
Justice.

A Petition of *Thomas Hodges* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner and many others, are great Sufferers by the Mal-administration of Justice in the Island of *Barbadoes*: That the Court of Chancery, which formerly sat once a Month, and as many succeeding Days as were found necessary for Dispatch of the several Causes there depending, now very rarely sits, being adjourned for Seven Months together;

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and all other Courts there: Which Grievances proceed from the Unskilfulness of the Governor in the Duties of a Chancellor and Chief Justice: And praying that such Remedy may be applied as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Howe*, Sir *Roland Gwynne*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Ash*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Heysham*, Sir *Edward Ernley*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Sir *Fran. Child*, Sir *Theophilus Oglethorpe*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *Gwynne*, Sir *Humphrey Foster*, Sir *John Mordant*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Wheeler*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Edward Turner*, Mr. *Taylor*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Lewis*, Sir *Tho. Cook*, Sir *Charles Hotham*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Wollaston*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Owen*, Sir *Henry Gough*, Mr. *Cooke*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Neville*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Lawson*, Sir *Henry Pickering*, Mr. *Cox*, Sir *Arthur Owen*, Mr. *Ogle*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do inquire into all Mismanagements and Grievances of the said Island of *Barbadoes*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Praed* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom, is committed, That they do receive a Clause to enlarge the Time to the late Commissioners of Accounts for taking, stating, and determining, the Accounts of the Army, Prizes, and Transports.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for preventing the Corruption of Jurors is committed, be made upon *Wednesday Morning* next.

Corrupting  
Jurors.

Sir *Humphrey Mackworth*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to receive Proposals for paying off the publick Debts, and advancing the Credit of the Nation; and report the same to the House; That they had received a Proposal from the old *East India* Company; which the Committee had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Publick  
Debts.

To the Honourable the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeses, in Parliament assembled:

Old East  
India Com-  
pany's Pro-  
posal.

THE Governor and Company of Merchants of *London* trading into the *East Indies*, in a General Court assembled, do humbly represent, That this Company, having been possessed of the *East India* Trade above an Hundred Years; and having, at their very great Expence, during the said Time, procured Grants, Privileges, Immunities, and Revenues, in *India*; and having purchased and erected several strong Forts, Factories, and Settlements; all which are absolutely necessary for the Preservation and carrying on the Trade; and humbly conceiving, That the said Trade will be best carried on, to the Advantage of the Nation, in One general joint Stock, exclusive of all others: To which End, and for that this Company are desirous to manifest their Zeal for the publick Service;

They do therefore humbly propose,

That this Company having advanced the Sum of Three hundred and Fifteen thousand Pounds, in pursuance of an Act for raising Two Millions upon a Fund for Payment of Annuities after the Rate of 8*l.* per Centum per Annum; and for settling the Trade to the *East Indies*; and the new *East India* Company having advanced One Million Six hundred and Sixty-three thousand Pounds; and several private Traders the Sum of 22,000*l.*; making in all Two Millions; for which the Publick now pay 8*l.* per Centum per

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per Annum: Which Sums of One Million Six hundred and Sixty-three thousand and 22,000 Pounds this Company will pay off and discharge in 10 Payments, in 20 Months Time, and accept the whole 2,000,000 at the Interest of 5 *l.* per Centum per Annum, to be paid out of the Fund settled by the said Act; and the said Two Millions to be redeemable in Years, and not sooner; subject to such Regulations and Restrictions as may be necessary for the Good of the Publick, and consistent with the Preservation of the Trade:

That this Company will be content to admit of Subscriptions of any Persons whatsoever, not exceeding the Sum of ; whereby such Persons may be concerned in the Trade and Fund with this Company.

Signed,  
East India House, London,  
the 30th of April 1701. By Order of the General Court,  
Ro. Blackborne, Secretary.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garrisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions;

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for Relief of such Persons as have, by Fire, or other Accidents, lost any Exchequer Bills, Malt Tickets, or Lottery Tickets.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for the better Payment of Debentures for Exportation of Corn.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause of Appropriation for the Circulating and Discharging of Exchequer Bills.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for the transferring the Loans which have been made, pursuant to the Votes of this House.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause of Credit.

Then the House, according to Order, resolved itself into the said Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, that they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Tuesday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

Ways and  
Means.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Wednesday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till Monday Morning, Nine a Clock.

Lunæ, 19<sup>o</sup> die Maii;

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#### PRAYERS.

Herne's  
Will.

MR. Bertie reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for declaring the Will of Sir Joseph Herne, dated the 25th of February 1698, to be taken and esteemed the last Will of the said Sir Joseph Herne, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations in the Bill contained, and found the same to be true; and that they had heard Dame Elizabeth Herne upon her Petition; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the said Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House;

which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. Gower reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for confirming a Decree made in Chancery between John Edwards Gentleman, Complainant, and Sir Francis Charton Baronet, and others, Defendants, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations contained in the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the Bill to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be ingrossed.

A Bill to enable Richard Bigg to charge Part of his Estate in the County of Hertford with the Payment of his Debts, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be committed to Mr. Edward Harley, Lord Fairfax, Sir John Kaye, Sir Geo. Hungerford, Mr. England, Mr. Jercoise, Mr. Bertie, Mr. Eyre, Mr. Gilbert, Mr. Jolliffe, Mr. Fuller, Sir Bryan Stapleton, Mr. Chetwynd, Sir William Coriton, Mr. Hammond, Mr. Dyot, Mr. Bridges, Sir Samuel Barnardiston, Lord Wm. Pawlet, Mr. Yorke, Mr. Markes, Mr. Bucknall, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Rayner, Sir Rowl. Gwynne, Mr. Byrch, Mr. Harley, Mr. Gulston, Mr. Williams, Mr. Pagitt, Mr. Walpole, Mr. Blofield, Mr. Cross; and all that serve for the Counties of Hertford and Essex: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Mr. Ogle, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for continuing the Act, made in the 7th and 8th Years of his Majesty's Reign, for preventing false and double Returns of Members to serve in Parliament: And also,

A Bill for continuing former Acts for preventing Theft on Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders: And the same were received.

Mr. Brotherton reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for naturalizing Jane Barkstead Widow, and vesting several Mortgages and Securities, Part of her late Husband's Estate, in her, whereby she may be enabled to take in, and let out, her own and her Children's Money, as there shall be occasion; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true; and that they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to change the Surname of Ellis Mews, and his Heirs, to the Surname of Saint John, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

The Honourable William Howard Esquire, being elected Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Northumberland; and also a Burgess for the Borough of Morpeth, in the said County, made his Election to serve for the said County.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Morpeth, in the County of Northumberland, in the room of the Honourable William Howard Esquire.

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*Ordered*,

Enfield  
Chace.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom it was referred to inquire by what Methods and Means the Waste and Destruction was made in *Enfield Chace*, have Power to inquire into any other Abuses of the Duchy of *Lancaster*.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Edward Ernle* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Sending  
Models  
abroad.

A Petition of the Joiners, Cabinet-makers, Fan-makers, and Japanners, in and about the City of *London*, in behalf of themselves, and many others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, by their great Labour and Industry, have attained to the curious Arts of Cabinet-making, Japanning, and Fan-making, to excel the most remote *China's*, or *Indian*: That there are several poor Artificers of this Kingdom employed in the said Works; and there are great Quantities of several Sorts of Commodities of the Growth of *Turkey*, *Russia*, and *Barbary*, and other foreign Parts, expended by the Petitioners in the said Arts, to the Increase of his Majesty's Customs, and Advantage of the Woollen Manufacture: That there are many Persons, minding only their own private Gain, and designing to ruin the Handicrafts of this Kingdom, take all Opportunities of disclosing the said Arts, by sending Models or Patterns abroad to *India*, and other Places: And praying, That this House will take their deplorable Case into their serious Consideration, and afford them Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom it is referred to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Cottonian  
Library.

A Bill for the better settling and preserving the Library kept in the House at *Westminster*, called *Cotton-house*, in the Name and Family of the *Cottons*, for the Benefit of the Publick, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Harley*, Lord *Cummingsby*, Mr. *Winnington*, Dr. *Davenant*, Sir *Richard Onslowe*, Mr. *Paget*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Brereton*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Sir *Rowl. Gwynne*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Weld*, Lord *Chene*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Sir *John Packington*, Sir *Chr. Musgrove*, Marquis of *Hartington*, Sir *Edward Ernley*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *St. Johns*, Sir *Robert Marsham*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Colonel *Wharton*, Mr. *Lewknor*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Gower*, Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Jacob Ashley*, Mr. *Shackerley*; and all of the Long Robe; and all that serve for the Universities: And they are to meet at Five a Clock, this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Members  
summoned.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant do go into *Westminster-hall* and Courts there, and Court of Request, and Places adjacent, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House immediately.

And he went accordingly.

And, being returned;

Lord  
Somers'  
Impeach-  
ment.

The ingrossed Articles of Impeachment against *John Lord Somers* were read; and some Amendments were proposed to be made to the 3d Article, by adding the Words "or Commissions," in Three Places; and the same was, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Ingrossment amended at the Table accordingly.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Harcourt* do carry the said Articles up to the Lords.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Harcourt* do also pray and demand, That the said *John Lord Somers* do give sufficient Security to abide the Judgment of the House of Lords.

Justices of  
Peace Quali-  
fication.

*Ordered*, That all for *Cornwall*, *Devon*, *Wilts*, *Suffolk*, *Sussex*, and *Wales*, be added to the Committee, to whom  
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the Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace was committed: And that all come are to have Voices.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Dartmouth*; and also touching the Election for the City of *Winchester*; be made upon *Saturday Morning* next.

Dartmouth,  
&c. Elec-  
tions.

The House being informed, That a Complaint having been formerly made to the House, relating to the Election of the Borough of *Totness*, which was referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections to examine; but that the Committee are discharged from hearing that, and other Causes before them;

A Person  
committed  
for Reflec-  
tions on a  
Member.

And being also informed of a Letter wrote by Sir *Edward Seymour* Baronet; and Two Letters wrote by *Thomas Colson* Esquire, to one Mr. *James Buckley*, of *Totness*, relating to the said Election; which Letters were delivered in at the Table; and the same, being shewed to the said Sir *Edward Seymour* and Mr. *Colson*, were owned by them respectively; and the same were read;

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *James Buckley* the elder, of *Totness*, hath endeavoured maliciously to raise and promote Reflections, and scandalous Reports, of Sir *Edward Seymour* and Mr. *Colson*, Members of this House, in Breach of the Privilege of this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *James Buckley* be, for his said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Mr. *Harcourt* reported, that he had, according to Order, carried up to the Lords the Articles of Impeachment against *John Lord Somers*; and prayed and demanded, That the said *John Lord Somers* do give sufficient Security to abide the Judgment of the House of Lords thereupon.

Lord  
Somers' Im-  
peachment.

The House proceeded, according to Order, to receive the Petitions relating to the *Irish Forfeitures*.

Irish For-  
feitures.

And the Petition of *Edmund Stafford* and *Samuel Dopping* Esquires, on behalf of themselves, and others, Purchasers of Inheritance of Part of the forfeited Estates of *Ireland*, which lay upon the Table, was read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish Forfeitures*, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Michael Burk*, *William Burk*, *James Ulick*, *Thomas*, *John*, and *Edward Burke*, Sons of *John Burke*, called Lord *Bophin*, Minors under Age, by their Prochein Ami *Robert Lord Ferrers* Baron of *Chartly*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish Forfeitures*, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossery*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish Forfeitures*, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Valentine Browne*, *Thomas Browne*, *James Browne*, *Elizabeth Browne*, *Margaret Browne*, and *Frances Browne*, all Minors, the Sons and Daughters of the Lord *Kenmare*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish Forfeitures*, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Thomas* Lord Bishop of *Killaloe*, on behalf of himself, and the rest of the Clergy of *Ireland*, intitled



Irish Forfeitures.

intituled to Rent and Chiefries out of the forfeited Estates, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Philip Savage* Esquire was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Sir *William Ashurst* Knight was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Catharine Harris*, alias *Kiff*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Rebecca* Viscountess Dowager *Falkland*, Relict and Executrix of *Antony* Lord Viscount *Falkland*, deceased, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Sir *John Temple* and *Antony Guidott*, surviving Trustees of *Frances* Countess Dowager of *Tyrconnell*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Thomas* Earl of *Lymerick*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Francis* Earl of *Carlingford* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *John Burk*, commonly called Lord *Bophin*, in behalf of himself, his Wife, and their Nine Infant Children, was presented to the House, and read:

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Edward Corker* Esquire was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Susannah Smith*, Widow and Executrix of *William Smith* Esquire, lately Accountant General and Comptroller of his Majesty's Revenue in *Ireland*, who died in that Service, in the North of *Ireland*, in the Year 1689, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Sir *Thomas Domville* Baronet was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Edward Nugent* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *John Knapp* Gentleman was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Sir *Stephen Fox* Knight, a Member of this House, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Ridgley Nugent* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Christopher O Bryen* Clerk, in behalf of his Mother *Catharine O Bryen* Widow, and several Children, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *John Trant*, eldest Son, and Heir, of the late Sir *Patrick Trant*, deceased, on the behalf of himself, and of his Mother, Brothers, and Sisters, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Dame *Anne Stapleton* Widow, Relict, and Executrix, of Sir *William Stapleton* Baronet, deceased, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Narcissus* Lord Archbishop of *Dublin*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Hannah Mac Donnell* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Sir *Robert Beddingfield* Knight, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Captain *Thomas Beller* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition



A Petition of Sir *Richard Rooth* Knight, a Creditor of *Robert* late Baron *Kingston*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Ignatius Gould* Merchant, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Mary Vernon*, the Daughter and Heir of *Edward Vernon* Esquire, deceased, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Charlotte Talbott*, the only Child of *Richard* late Earl of *Tyrconnell*, by Mrs. *Boynton* his First Wife, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *John Leigh* Esquire was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Sir *Daniel Arthur* Merchant, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Major *Walter Delamere* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Helen Arthur*, Widow and Relict of *Robert Arthur*, of *Hacketstowne*, in the County of *Dublin*, Esquire, deceased, in behalf of herself, and her Two Daughters *Frances* and *Dymphna Arthur*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Peter Fagan* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *John Francis de Corcassonet* Esquire, and *Elizabeth* his Wife, late Wife of *Remigius Bermingham* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Thomas Plunket*, in behalf of himself, and *Catherine* his Wife, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

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A Petition of Sir *William Russell*, of *Langhorn*, Irish Baronet, was presented to the House, and read. Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Jane Lavallin*, an Infant, Daughter and sole Heiress of *Patrick Lavallin* Esquire, deceased, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Arthur French* Esquire, and *James Farrell* his Son-in-law, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Sir *Robert King* Baronet, and *William Caulfield* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *William Butler*, for, and on behalf of, Sir *Redmond Everard*, an Infant, of about 12 Years of Age, and Son and Heir of Sir *John Everard*, late deceased, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Martin Ellery* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Thomas Keightley* Esquire was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Charles Earl of Abercorn*, and *Catharine Countess of Abercorn*, his Wife, late Relict of *William Lenthall*, Esquire, deceased, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *John Coleman* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *William Fownes* Esquire, on behalf of himself, and other Purchasers under the Grants of *Thomas Keightley* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of the Lord Viscount *Mountjoy* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact

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Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *John Ellis* Esquire was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *William Trench* Esquire, in behalf of the Discoverers of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Alexander Steward*, Deputy Lieutenant of the Ordnance of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Samuel Dopping* Esquire was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *John Hussy*, and *Mary* his Wife, late Widow and Relict of *Charles White*, of *Lixlip*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Esquire, deceased ; and of *John White*, an Infant, Son and Heir of the said *Charles*, by the said *Mary* ; was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *William Spencer*, of *Kilcolman*, in the County of *Cork*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Esquire, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Thomas* Lord Baron of *Cahir* in *Ireland*, a Minor, and *Elizabeth* Baroness Dowager of *Cahir*, Widow, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Maria Eufenia* Countess of *Lymerick*, the Relict of *William* late Earl of *Lymerick*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Captain *Richard Wolseley*, Captain *Charles Meredith*, Captain *St. John Webb*, and *Morgan Bernard* Gentleman, on behalf of themselves, and others, Tenants to Part of the Estate of the late King *James*, in *Ireland*, commonly called the private Estate, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Laurence Nihell* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of

Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Nicolas Bagenall*, of *Place Newyd*, in the County of *Anglesey*, Esquire, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Michael Chamberlaine* Esquire, on the behalf of himself, and *Christopher* his Son, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Colonel *Henry Luttrell* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Catherine Lutterell* Widow, the Relict of *Simon Lutterell* Esquire, deceased, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Robert Edgworth* Esquire, on behalf of himself, and *Catharine* his Wife, the sole Daughter and Heir of Sir *Edward Tyrrell* Baronet, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Colonel *Robert Wolsely*, and Captain *Richard Wolsley*, Executors to Brigadier *Wolsley*, deceased, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *William Nottingham*, late of *Balliowne*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Edward Singleton* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Francis de la Rue* Esquire was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Arthur* and *John St. Leger* Esquires was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition ; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Joseph Mitchell* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Cæsar Bradshaw* Esquire, Son and Administrator of Sir *Cornwall Bradshaw* Knight, deceased, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Thomas Lee*, and others, the Executors of Sir *John Hely* Knight, deceased, late Lord Chief Justice of his Majesty's Court of Common Pleas in *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *John* Lord Baron of *Kingston*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Walter Brow* Esquire was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Thomas Connor* Gentleman was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *William* Lord Bishop of *Kildare*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Sir *William Courtney* Baronet was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Dame *Alice Mullady*, the Relict of Sir *Antony Mullady*, on behalf of herself, and her Infant Sons by him, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Captain *Richard Fitz-Patrick* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Sir *John Dillon* Knight was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Mary Skelton* Widow was presented to the House, and read.

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*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Owen Carroll*, *Richard Barmwell*, *Walter Prichet*, &c. in behalf of themselves, and the rest of those called Protestees in *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Jasper Roth* Merchant, of *London*, was presented to the House and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Henry Westenra* Esquire, in behalf of himself, and several others, Purchasers, under the Earl of *Athlone*, of the forfeited Estates of the late Earl of *Lymerrick*, granted to the said Earl of *Athlone* by his present Majesty, and the late Queen *Mary*, and since confirmed by an Act of Parliament in *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of the Daughters and younger Sons of *Dudly Bagnal* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Maurice Annsley* Esquire was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Elizabeth Wandesford*, the Widow and Relict of *Garret Foulks* Esquire, and of *Eliz. Foulks* her Daughter, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Francis Spring*, in behalf of himself and other the *English* Protestants, Tenants of forfeited Lands in *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Anne Hardpany* Widow, in behalf of *Richard Connell*, an Orphan, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Robert Leigh*, Son and Heir of *Francis Leigh*, deceased, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Captain *Edmund Keating* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact

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Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Dennis Molony* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish Forfeitures*, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *John Lord Viscount Purbeck*, and Earl of *Buckingham*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish Forfeitures*, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Captain *James Roch* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish Forfeitures*, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of Dame *Eleanor Wandesford*, of the City of *York*, Widow and Executrix of Sir *Christopher Wandesford* Baronet, deceased, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish Forfeitures*, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *John Finglas* Doctor in Divinity, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish Forfeitures*, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *James Eustas* Esquire, of *Yeomanstowne*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish Forfeitures*, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Joseph Nagle* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish Forfeitures*, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

A Petition of *Nicolas Darby* was presented to the House, and read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Trustees for *Irish Forfeitures*, who are in *England*, to state the Matter of Fact upon the said Petition; and report the same to this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Trustees do, with all Expedition, from time to time, transmit their Reports upon the said respective Petitions to the Clerk of this House.

All the said Petitions, and Papers belonging to them, are bound up by themselves in a Book.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 20<sup>o</sup> die Maii;*

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

Lofland's, &amp;c. Nat.

SIR *Francis Massam* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Adrian Lofland*, and others, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to

the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were twice read; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Pr. 1. L. 9. leave out the Word "and."

L. 11. After the Word "*Indies*," and before the Word "*being*," insert "*Justus Beck, Son of Jacob-and-George Beck by Mary his Wife, born at Amsterdam in Holland; Henry Varpoorten, Son of William Varpoorten by Catharine-and-Elizabeth his Wife, born at Hamborough; Thomas Bureau, Son of Philip Bureau by Anne his Wife, born at Niort, in the Province of Poictou in France; Dirck Wittenoom, Son of Cornelius Wittenoom by Mary his Wife, born at Amsterdam in Holland; John Mahlsted, Son of Conrad Mahlsted by Helena his Wife, born in the City of Bremen in Lower Saxony; and Nicolas Garritt, Son of Garrit Garrit by Baringue his Wife, born at Ravensting in Germany.*"

L. 21. leave out the Word "*and*;" and, after "*Johnson*," and before the Word "*shall*," insert "*Justus Beck, Henry Varpoorten, Thomas Bureau, Cornelius Wittenoom, John Mahlsted, and Nicolas Garrit.*"

L. 33. leave out the Word "*and*."

L. 33. after "*Johnson*," and before the Word "*shall*," insert "*Justus Beck, Henry Vanpoorten, Thomas Bureau, Cornelius Wittenoom, John Mahlsted, and Nicolas Garrit.*"

P. 2. L. 10. leave out the Word "*and*."

L. 11. after "*Johnson*," and before the Word "*and*," insert "*Justus Beck, Henry Vanpoorten, Thomas Bureau, Cornelius Wittenoom, John Mahlsted, and Nicolas Garrit.*"

An ingrossed Bill for vesting a certain Messuage, and Lands, in *Stevenage*, in the County of *Hertford*, the Estate of *Richard Nodes*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for making a Provision for his Wife and Children, equal to the Provision secured to them out of the said Estate; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for vesting a Messuage and Lands in *Stevenage*, in the County of *Hertford*, the Estate of *Richard Nodes*, in Trustees, to be sold, for making a Provision for his Wife and Children, equal to the Provision secured to them out of the said Estate.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Freeman* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Petition of *Mallachy Mallock, Josias Demning, Thomas Turner, William Callway, John Knight, and Henry Stephens*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in the Year 1688, one *Samuel Mallock*, deceased, whose Heir the Petitioner *Mallachy Mallock* is, and the rest of the Petitioners, did, for valuable Considerations, purchase of *Rawlin Mallock* Esquire, deceased, several Lands and Hereditaments, to them, and their respective Heirs, with Warranty: That one *Rawlin Mallock* Esquire hath obtained Leave to bring in a Bill, for Sale of the Lands so purchased; whereby the Petitioners are likely to be greatly damnified: And praying, That the Petitioners may be heard, by their Counsel, against the said Bill; and have a Clause inserted therein, for the saving of their Right in the said Estates.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Ralph Box* with *Elizabeth Eyre*; and to enable him to marry again.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Chace* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Chace*

Mr. *Chace* reported from the said Committee, That they had heard the Witnesses, and Counsel, for the said Parties; and had gone through the Bill; and had directed him to report the same to the House, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made upon *Monday Morning* next.

Enfield  
Chace.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That he would be pleased to give Order, That the Woods cut, and Bark thereof, in *Enfield Chace*, may be disposed of for his Majesty's Advantage; his Majesty had been pleased to give Order for the same being done accordingly.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions; being read;

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to rectify a Mistake, in the last Year's Tax, of Two Shillings in the Pound; whereby the Hundred of *Neath*, in the County of *Glamorgan*, is overcharged.

Then the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 21<sup>o</sup> die Maii;*

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

Barrington's  
Estate.

**A**N ingrossed Bill, to enable Sir *Charles Barrington* Baronet, to settle a Jointure, and make Provision for his younger Children, was read the Third time: And an Amendment was made by the House to the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable Sir *Charles Barrington* Baronet to settle a Jointure, and make Provision for his younger Children.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Conyers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

Privilege of  
Parliament.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for preventing any Inconveniencies that may happen by Privilege of Parliament, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

Earl of  
Orford's Im-  
peachment.

They are commanded by the Lords to acquaint this House, That their Lordships having been desired by the Earl of *Orford*, that a Day may be appointed for his speedy Tryal, their Lordships, finding no Issue joined by Replication of this House, think fit to give Notice thereof to this House. Also,

Earl of  
Portland's,  
&c. Im-  
peachment.

They are commanded by the Lords to acquaint this House, That they having, on the First Day of April last, sent up to their Lordships an Impeachment against *William Earl of Portland*, for high Crimes and Misdemeanors, and having also, on the 15th Day of the same Month,

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impeached *Charles Lord Halifax* for High Crimes and Misdemeanors; and there being as yet no particular Articles exhibited against the said Lords; their Lordships think themselves obliged to put this House in mind thereof; which, after Impeachments have so long depended, is a Hardship to the Persons concerned, and not agreeable to the usual Methods and Proceedings of Parliament in such Cases.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the said Amendments to the Bill, intituled, An Act for preventing any Inconveniencies that may happen by Privilege of Parliament, be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday Morning* next.

Privilege of  
Parliament.

*Resolved*, That this House will send an Answer to the said Messages, relating to the said Impeachments, by Messengers of their own.

Answer to  
Lords Mes-  
sages.

And the Messengers were called in; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

Mr. *St. John* reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Lewis Gerard*, and several others concerned with him, proposing a Discovery of Lands given to superstitious Uses, was referred, That they had heard the Petitioners; who not only produced several Witnesses to prove the Allegations of the said Petition, but also an Inquisition taken by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal of *England*; whereby several Manors, Lands, Tenements, and Mortgages, therein mentioned, of a considerable Value, were found to be given, and belong, to foreign Seminaries, and other Popish superstitious Uses: And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to a Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Estates given  
to super-  
stitious Uses.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of the Committee, That the House be moved for Leave to bring in a Bill for the encouraging the Discovery of Estates given to Popish superstitious Uses.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for encouraging the Discovery of Estates given to Popish superstitious Uses: And that Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, and Mr. *Carter*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to them, That they do provide in the Bill, That the said Estates be applied for the Benefit of *Greenwich Hospital*.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also, That they do provide, That all Grants of the said Estates from the Crown be vacated.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Kemp*, Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Cesar*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Carter*; and all for *Essex*; be added to the Committee, appointed to inquire, by what Methods and Means such great Waste and Destruction is made in his Majesty's Chace at *Enfield*.

Enfield  
Chace.

*Ordered*, That Lord *Spencer* have Leave to go into the Country, for Recovery of his Health.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inquire into the Reasons how the Seamen came to be discharged without being paid, be made upon *Saturday Morning* next.

Discharging  
Seamen.

Sir *Edward Seymour* being in the House; the House took into Consideration the Petition of *John Whitebrough* of *Exon*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, presented to the House on *Saturday* last: And Sir *Edward Seymour* acquainting the House, That the said *John Whitebrough* had made his Submission to him;

Privilege—  
A Person in  
Custody to be  
brought to  
the Bar.

*Ordered*, That the said *John Whitebrough* be brought to the Bar To-morrow Morning, in order to his Discharge.

*Ordered*,



Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Trelawny*, Mr. *Dimmock*, Mr. *St. John*, Colonel *Granvill*, be added to the Committee appointed to inspect the Papers before the House, relating to Half-pay.

Exchequer Fees.

*Ordered*, That all that serve for *North and South Wales* be added to the Committee appointed to examine into all the Fees received at his Majesty's Exchequer, concerning publick Monies.

Privilege—  
A Person petitions for Discharge.

A Petition of *Alexander Cutting*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, for endeavouring, by Bribery, and other indirect Practices, to corrupt the Electors for the Borough of *Bramber*, was presented to the House, and read; expressing his Sorrow for having incurred the Displeasure of the House; and begging Pardon for any thing wherein he hath offended: And praying to be discharged.

*Ordered*, That the said *Alexander Cutting* be brought to the Bar To-morrow Morning, in order to his being discharged out of Custody.

Lynn Work-house.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for erecting Hospitals and Work-houses within the Borough of *King's Lynn*, in the County of *Norfolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor there, is committed, be made upon *Friday* Morning next.

Ways and Means.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, being read;

A Petition of divers Proprietors of the Malt Lottery Tickets, in behalf of themselves, and the rest of their Fellow-sufferers, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That this Honourable House has been pleased to resolve, That the paying off and discharging the Exchequer Bills, and Malt Tickets, will be a great Encouragement to Trade, and Support of the publick Credit: And praying, a Fund may be provided for effecting the same.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House.

Then the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had come to a Resolution, which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis*, 22<sup>o</sup> *die Maii*;

13<sup>o</sup> *Willielmi*, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

Apsley's Will.

AN ingrossed Bill for the better Performance of the Will of *Henry Apsley* Esquire, deceased, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the better Performance of the last Will of *Henry Apsley* Esquire, deceased.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brewer* do carry up the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the better Preservation of the Protestant Religion; and for preventing the Translation of Bishops from one See to another; is committed; That they have Power to consider of Methods for augmenting small Bishopricks.

Preservation of Protestant Religion.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Joseph Tredenham* have Leave to go into the Country, for Recovery of his Health.

Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Bland* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

An ingrossed Bill for the recovering, securing, and keeping in Repair the Harbour of *Minehead*, for the Benefit and Support of the Navigation and Trade of this Kingdom, was read the Third time.

Minehead Harbour.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the recovering, securing, and keeping in Repair, the Harbour of *Minehead*, for the Benefit and Support of the Navigation and Trade of this Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Gwyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom, is committed, That they have Power to receive a Clause, to empower the Officers of the *Dutch* Regiments, under *English* Pay, to pass their Accounts.

Commissioners of Accounts.

*John Whitebrough* and *Alexander Cutting* were, according to Order, brought to the Bar: Where they, upon their Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker.

Privilege—Persons reprimanded and discharged.

*Ordered*, That the said *John Whitebrough* and *Alexander Cutting* be discharged out of Custody, paying their Fees.

*Ordered*, That Sir *William York* have Leave to go into the Country for Recovery of his Health.

Leave of Absence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for separating *James Earl of Anglesey* from *Catharine Countess of Anglesey*, his Wife, for the Cruelty of the said Earl.

Countess of Anglesey's Separation.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Sir *Robert Davers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Sir *Robert Davers* reported from the said Committee, That they had heard Counsel for both Parties; and the Witnesses on the Part of the Countess of *Anglesey*; and had gone through the Bill; and had directed him to report the same, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

A Message from the Lords, by Dr. *Newton* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for Sale of the Estate of *Wm. Davison* Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts, and raising his Children's Portions, charged thereupon, without any Amendments. Also,

Davison's Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing

Limitation of the Crown.

securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, be taken into Consideration upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Harcourt* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Harcourt* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

Ways and  
Means.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Resolution of the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, which should have been made this Day, be made To-morrow Morning.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 23° die Maii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

Pynyot's  
&c. Nat.

**A**N ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Jacob Augustin Pynyot*, and others, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Shackerley*, Sir *Francis Massam*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Lord *Cornbury*, Sir *Jo. Leveson Gower*, Sir *Henry Bellasyse*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Nevill*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Walmesley*, Mr. *Lampton*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Pope*, Mr. *Ash*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Sir *Tho. May*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Anderton*, Mr. *Cross*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Lord *Cheney*, Dr. *Davenant*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Freeke*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council, of the City of *London*, which lies upon the Table, be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Walmesly* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Crocker* have Leave to go into the Country, for Recovery of his Health.

Hide's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of *Humphrey Hide* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, for raising Portions for his younger Children, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Lord *Cornbury*, Lord *Hide*, Sir *Francis Massam*, Mr. *Nevill*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Gulston*, Sir *Jo. Leveson Gower*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Bulkley*, Sir *Charles Bloys*, Sir *Samuel Bernardiston*, Mr. *Clerke*, Mr.

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*Shackerly*, Mr. *Brereton*, Mr. *Ash*, Mr. *Byrch*, Lord *Bulkley*, Mr. *Topham*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Lampton*, Mr. *Chase*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Freeke*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Lewis*, Mr. *Gilbert*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Berks*, *Oxon*, and *Wilts*: And they are to meet this Afternoon in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That Dr. *Atterbury* be desired to preach before this House, at *St. Margaret's, Westminster*, upon the 29th Day of May instant: And that Mr. *Bromley* and Mr. *Harcourt* do acquaint him therewith.

Dr. Atter-  
bury to  
preach on  
29th May.

A Bill for continuing the Acts therein mentioned, for preventing Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of *England*, was read the First time.

Theft on  
Northern  
Borders.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Sir *Bartholomew Shower* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better settling and preserving the Library kept in the House at *Westminster*, called *Cottonhouse*, in the Name of the Family of the *Cottons*, for the Benefit of the Publick, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations therein contained; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the said Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Cottonian  
Library.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Walpole*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the erecting Hospitals and Work-houses within the Borough of *King's-Lynn*, in the County of *Norfolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor there, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Lynn  
Workhouses.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a Third time upon *Friday* Morning next, in a full House.

A Petition of several Colonels of the Army, in behalf of themselves, and others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, upon the raising of a Regiment, Cloathing is immediately provided, and to be paid by a Deduction of some Part of the growing Pay, at the Year's End: That Cloathing is always provided for the complete Number of the Establishment, without regard to Defectives, by Loss in Service, or otherwise: That, in December 1697, near a Third-part of every Regiment was reduced; and in February following, several Regiments were intirely disbanded; and all the Men, by the King's Orders, were to take their Cloaths away; though the same could not be paid for till April following; That, by a late Method of Accounting at the Pay Office, the Cloathing Part of the Pay, as well as the Subsistence, is stopped, upon all Respites for defective Men; and no Credit given for the Cloathing Part, but to the very Day the Men were reduced, or disbanded; by which means, the Fund for satisfying the Tradesmen, who furnish the Cloaths, falls short; who have, on that account commenced Suits, and obtained Verdicts in Law, against the Colonels, who contracted with them for the Cloaths on the Regiments Account: And praying, That they may have such Relief, as this Honourable House shall think fit.

Army  
Cloathing.

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*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the Fact to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Paget*, Mr. *Brewer*, Earl of *Ranelagh*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *John Mordant*, Mr. *Gwynne*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Howard*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Sir *Francis Massam*, Lord *Fairfax*, Captain *Soame*, Sir *Henry Bellassysse*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Jennings*, Brigadier *Selwyn*, Sir *Jo. Leveson Gower*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Charles Bloys*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Gower*, Mr. *Gorge*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Offley*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Lampton*, Mr. *Paunceford*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber: And they have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Earl of  
Orford's  
Impeach-  
ment.

Sir *Bartholomew Shower* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up the Articles of Impeachment, That they had considered of the Answer of *Edward Earl of Orford*, and had drawn up a Replication thereunto; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and with an Amendment, agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz.

The Commons have considered the Answer of *Edward Earl of Orford* to the Articles of Impeachment exhibited against him by the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, assembled in Parliament; and do aver their Charge of high Crimes and Misdemeanors against him to be true; and that the said Earl is guilty in such manner as he stands accused and impeached; and that the Commons will be ready to prove their Charge against him, at such convenient Time as shall be appointed for that Purpose.

*Ordered*, That the said Replication be ingrossed.

Sir *Bartholomew Shower* also reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move, That they may have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records, that shall be thought necessary to be used at the Tryal of the said Earl; and to proceed in the most speedy and secret Way they can, for the Advantage of the Prosecution.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records, that shall be thought necessary to be used at the Tryal of the said Earl; and to proceed in the most speedy and secret Way they can, for the Advantage of the Prosecution.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee have Power to send some of their Number to examine Mr. *Samuel Shepherd* in the Tower.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee do consider of the Messages from the Lords, relating to the Impeachments; and inspect the Precedents of Messages in relation to former Impeachments; and report the same to the House.

Countess of  
Anglesey's  
Separation.

Sir *Robert Davers*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for separating *James Earl of Anglesey* from *Catharine Countess of Anglesey*, his Wife, for the Cruelty of the said Earl, was committed, That the Committee having heard the Counsel for the Earl of *Anglesey* upon his Petition, and the Counsel for the Countess of *Anglesey*, and her Witnesses, the Committee had directed him to report the Bill to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table: Where the Bill was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Robert Davers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

Enfield  
Chace.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inquire by what Methods and Means the Waste and Destruction was made in *Enfield Chace*, be made upon *Monday Morning* next.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That the Trustees Irish for *Irish* Forfeitures had, pursuant to the Order of the House, transmitted to the Clerk of the House Seven-and-thirty Reports upon the Petitions to them referred; and several more were expected.

*Ordered*, That the said Reports be taken into Consideration upon *Tuesday Morning* next.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon the 29th Day of May instant, go to *St. Margaret's, Westminster*, at Nine a Clock.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, who were to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That out of the Produce of the several Subsidies, Duties, and Branches of the Revenue, appropriated to the Service of his Majesty's Household, the Sum of 3,000 *l.* weekly, to commence from *Christmas* 1700, be applied for the Service of the Year 1701: And that the Surplus, after 600,000 *l.* for the Civil List satisfied, be appropriated to the Use of the Publick.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made, by leaving out "3,000," and inserting "3,700" instead thereof: And the same was, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made, by leaving out "Year 1701," and inserting "Publick" instead thereof: And the same was, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made, by leaving out "and that the Surplus, after 600,000 *l.* for the Civil List satisfied, be appropriated to the Use of the Publick:" And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made, by adding "and that the Residue of the said Subsidies and Duties be applied to the Use of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his Majesty's Occasions:" And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That out of the Produce of the several Subsidies, Duties, and Branches of the Revenue appropriated to the Service of his Majesty's Household, the Sum of 3,700 *l.* weekly, to commence from *Christmas* 1700, be applied to the Service of the Publick; and that the Residue of the said Subsidies and Duties be applied to the Use of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his Majesty's Occasions.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, That they have Power to make the said 3,700 *l.* weekly, a Fund of Credit.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expences of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Sabbati, 24<sup>o</sup> die Maii ;13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

## PRAYERS.

Trade in  
Linen, &c.

**A**PETITION of the Mayor, Aldermen, Common Council, and other Merchants and Traders, of the City of *Exon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, for some Years past, imported and sold great Quantities of Linen Cloth, Canvas, and Wines, from *France*, *Portugal*, and *Germany*, on which great Customs have been paid to his Majesty; but of late, such great Quantities of such Linen Cloth, Canvas, and Wines, have been imported, in a clandestine Manner, from *France*, and sold at such low Rates, that the Petitioners, and other fair Traders, are thereby utterly incapacitated to carry on their respective Trades: And praying the Consideration of this House, and an effectual Remedy against such Practices.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Hoblin*, Sir *Robert Austin*, Earl of *Dysert*, Mr. *Birch*, Sir *John Leveson Gower*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Duke*, Mr. *Taylor*, \* \*, \* \*: and all that serve for the Counties of *Cornwall*, *Devon*, *Norfolk*, and *Suffolk*, and *Wilts*, and *Gloucester*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Four of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Trevisa's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill for discharging a Mortgage upon the Estate of *Peter Trevisa* Esquire, deceased; and providing a Maintenance for his Widow and Children; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for discharging a Mortgage upon the Estate of *Peter Trevisa* Esquire, deceased; and providing a Maintenance for his Widow and Children.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Mannaton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Edwards'  
Decree in  
Chancery.

An ingrossed Bill for confirming a Decree, made in Chancery, between *John Edwards* Gentleman, Complainant, and Sir *Frances Charleton*, Baronet, and others, Defendants, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for confirming a Decree, made in Chancery, between *John Edwards* Gentleman, Complainant, and Sir *Francis Charlton*, Baronet, and others, Defendants.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Gower* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Norwich  
Small Debts.

An ingrossed Bill for erecting a Court of Request or Conscience in the City and County of the City of *Norwich*, for Recovery of small Debts under Forty Shillings, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for erecting a Court of Request or Conscience in the City and County of the City of *Norwich*, for Recovery of small Debts under Forty Shillings.

*Ordered*, That the Earl of *Dysert* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Fawconer's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the vesting and settling several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, belonging to *John Fawconer* Esquire, in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts, was read the Third time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Richard Cox* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill for vesting the Estate

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of *Lucretia Tipping*, an Infant, in Trustees, upon her Marriage under Age, in order to the Sale thereof, for a Portion upon such Marriage, and a Settlement to be made accordingly, be read the Third time upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for erecting and making a Corporation within the Town of *Hallifax*, for the better Relief and Government of the Poor there, be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Adrian Lofland*, and others, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Francis Massam* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

A Bill for removing the County Gaol of *Hertford*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Edward Turner*, Mr. *Gulston*, Sir *Rob Marsham*, Mr. *Hoblin*, Mr. *Smithson*, Mr. *Gape*, Mr. *Byrch*, Mr. *Mounsteven*, Mr. *Ward*, Mr. *Gorge*, Sir *Richard Cox*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Soames*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Etterick*, Mr. *Brereton*, Lord *Cheney*, Mr. *Bulkley*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Blofeld*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Middlesex*, *Essex*, and *Hertford*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock, this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

A Bill for restoring the Harbour of *Rye* to its ancient Goodness was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill for naturalizing *Jane Barstead* Widow; and vesting several Mortgages and Securities, for Part of her late Husband's Estate, in her; whereby she may be enabled to take in, and lett out, her own and her Children's Money, as there shall be Occasion; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for naturalizing *Jane Barkstead* Widow; and vesting several Mortgages and Securities in her, to enable her to convey or assign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brotherton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Mr. *Brotherton* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for appointing Warden and Assay-masters for Assaying of wrought Plate, according to the present Standard, and affixing the *Britannia* Mark thereon, in those Cities where Mints were lately erected for re-coining the Money of this Kingdom, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Bill to enable his Majesty to make Grants, Leases, and Copies of Offices, Lands, and Hereditaments, Parcel of his Duchy of *Cornwall*, or annexed to the same; and for Confirmation of Leases and Grants already made; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Sir *Richard Onslow*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inquire into the Reasons, how the Seamen came to be discharged without being paid, That they had inquired into the same accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the



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the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

That the Committee directed the Secretary of the Admiralty to attend them; and to lay before them what Orders were given for discharging the Seamen from the Fleet; and what Orders were given for the Payment of the Bounty-money to the Seamen.

The Committee also directed the Commissioners of the Navy to lay before them what Orders they had received from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty for paying the Seamen their Wages, and Bounty-money.

Accordingly, the Secretary of the Admiralty attended them; and delivered in to the Committee, from the Lords of the Admiralty,

1. The Reasons for discharging the Seamen from the Fleet, and not paying them on board their Ships:

2. Copies of Orders from the Lords of the Admiralty to the Navy Board, about paying Wages, and Bounty-money, to Men discharged from the Fleet:

3. Copies of Orders from the Lords of the Admiralty to the Flag Officers and Captains, about discharging Men from the Fleet:

4. Several Precedents for reducing Men from his Majesty's Ships, without paying them their Wages at the time of such Reduction.

There was also laid before the Committee a Copy of the Order of the Commissioners of the Navy, received from the Lords of the Admiralty, for soliciting for Money to pay the Seamen ordered to be discharged from the Fleet, for reducing their Complements; with Copies of their Letters to the Treasurer of the Navy; and other Proceedings thereupon.

All which Papers are submitted to the Consideration of the House, the Committee having no other Power than to inquire into the Reasons, how the Seamen came to be discharged without being paid.

The said Papers are as follow; viz.

Admiralty Office, 8<sup>o</sup> May 1701.

IN pursuance of the Directions of a Committee of the Honourable House of Commons, appointed to inquire into the Reasons, how the Seamen came to be discharged from the Fleet without being paid, there is herewith delivered to the said Committee, Copies of what Orders have been given by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty for discharging the said Men, and paying them their Wages and Bounty; but, since there was nothing, but Exchequer Bills, to pay them, that it was very uncertain when they could be reduced to Money, and altogether impracticable to pay the Men with the said Bills, by reason of the small Sums due to each Man, it was not thought convenient to send the said Bills to the Place where the Men were discharged, but rather to pay them their Wages, and Bounty, in Town; which is now doing, and to their full Satisfaction: To which may be added, That since the Ships in Sea Pay in April last did require upwards of 28,000 Men, and that there was actually borne on them 26,000, it was judged adviseable to begin with this Reduction, that so a good Strength might be kept at Sea the Winter Months, without exceeding 15,000 Men, one Month with another, the Year round; and, had not this Method been taken, these Men, which, generally speaking, are Land-men, would, in all Probability, have been kept near Three Weeks longer in Wages and Victuals; which would have cost the Government near 300*l.* a Day: And to shew, that it has been the common Practice, not only to reduce the Complements of Ships, but even not to pay the Men, so reduced, before the Payment of those Ships they served in, there is herewith delivered as many Precedents thereof, as the Shortness of Time would admit; by one of which, in January 1697-8, it will appear, That the Men of the whole Fleet then in Pay, except some few Ships bound on foreign Voyages, were reduced to their lowest Complements, and no Provision made for paying the said Men, till such time as the Ships they were discharged from were paid.

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England, Ireland, &c.*

Memorial to his Majesty.

THERE being no more than 780,000 *l.* in Prospect for the Sea Service this Year, which will maintain but 15,000 Men, one Month with another, for the 13 Months; we do most humbly inform his Majesty, That there is now about 26,000 Men in Pay; and that, if the Ships employed at home are brought to their lowest Complements, it will reduce them to about 24,000 Men: That, if that Number be kept up all the Month of May, there can be no more employed than 16,000 in the Month of August: If the said 24,000 Men are kept in Pay the Month of June, then there can be no more than 16,000 Men employed in July and August; and 10,000 Men from the First of September to the First Day of January following; which will bring each Month in the Year to 15,000.

Admiralty Office,  
26<sup>o</sup> April 1701.

Pembroke,  
D. Mitchell,  
G. Churchill.

By Command of their Lordships,  
J. Burchett.

Admiralty Office, 31st March 1701.

Gentlemen,

WHEREAS we have given Orders for the discharging from his Majesty's Ships all such Men, who, either through Sickness or otherwise, are altogether unfit for his Majesty's Service at Sea; and directed, That each Captain shall transmit to your Board, attested by himself, and signing Officers, an exact List of the Names of such Men as they do so discharge, who were entered by or before the 28th Day of this present Month; we do hereby desire and direct you to take particular Care, that, upon Application made to you by any Persons contained in the said Lists, the Allowance of Bounty promised by his Majesty's Royal Proclamation to an ordinary Seaman, be made unto them for the maintaining them in their Travelling to their respective Habitations. We are

Your affectionate Friends,

Navy Board.

G. Rook,  
D. Mitchell,  
G. Churchill.

Admiralty Office, 15th April 1701.

Gentlemen,

WHEREAS the Fleet is now sailed towards the Rendezvous at *Spithead*; we do hereby desire and direct you forthwith to send thither such of the Clerks of your Office, as you shall think convenient, with Instructions to prepare proper Lists of such Men as have voluntarily entered to serve on board each Ship, according to the Proclamation, that thereby you may be enabled to pay them their Bounty. We are

Your affectionate Friends,

Navy Board.

Pembroke,  
D. Mitchell,  
G. Churchill.

Admiralty Office, 17th April 1701.

Gentlemen,

HAVING considered of your Letter of the 7th Instant, and thereupon given Orders to the respective Commanders of his Majesty's Ships to prepare, and transmit unto your Board, Lists of such Volunteers, who entered to serve on board the said Ships between the 26th of February last, the Date of his Majesty's Royal Proclamation, and the 26th March following, inclusive; and have been, or shall be, discharged, by reason of Sickness, or other Incapacities for Service; but not to insert in those Lists any best Men, or Volunteers, that have been, or shall be, discharged from their Ships intirely out of the Service: We do hereby desire and direct, That, when the said Lists shall be transmitted to you, you do pay unto the said Men



Men the Bounty promised by his Majesty's aforesaid Proclamation, according to their respective Qualities. We are

Your affectionate Friends,  
Navy Board. *Pembroke,  
Haversham,  
D. Mitchell.*

Gentlemen, Admiralty Office, 21st April 1701.  
WHEREAS we have, in further Explanation to our late Orders to the respective Captains of his Majesty's Ships in the Fleet, for sending up to your Board Lists of such Persons who have voluntarily entered themselves according to his Majesty's Proclamation, directed them to prepare, and transmit to you, Lists of all such Persons who voluntarily entered themselves on and between the 9th Day of February last, the Time prefixed by his Majesty's said Proclamation, and the Six-and-twentieth Day of March following, and have since been, or shall be, discharged upon account of Sickness, Incapacity of Service, or otherwise; we do hereby desire and direct you to cause the Men in the said Lists to be paid their Bounty accordingly: And we do hereby acquaint you, That we have sent Orders to the Captains of all his Majesty's Ships, except those fitted for the *West Indies*, who have their lowest Complements, or more than that Number, not to enter any more Men, and forthwith to discharge their Tenders. We are

Your affectionate Friends,  
Navy Board. *Pembroke,  
D. Mitchell,  
G. Churchill.*

Gentlemen, Admiralty Office, 28th April 1701.  
WHEREAS we have given Orders for the reducing the Ships, that are fitted out for Chancel Service, to their lowest Complements of Men; we do therefore hereby desire and direct you forthwith to solicit the Lords of his Majesty's Treasury for Money, not only for paying the Wages of the Men that shall be reduced; but the Bounty Money, to such of them as voluntarily entered themselves according to his Majesty's Proclamation; we having ordered the respective Captains to give Tickets to the Men they so discharge; and to send you Lists of the Names of such of them as entered voluntarily, as aforesaid, in order to their being paid their Wages and Bounty in *Broad-street*. We are

Your affectionate Friends,  
Navy Board. *Pembroke,  
D. Mitchell,  
G. Churchill.*

Gentlemen, Admiralty Office, 28th April 1701.  
WHEREAS we have given Orders for the reducing the Ships, that are fitted out for Chancel Service, to their lowest Complements of Men; we do therefore hereby desire and direct you forthwith to solicit the Lords of his Majesty's Treasury for Money, not only for paying the Wages of the Men that shall be reduced; but the Bounty-money, to such of them as voluntarily entered themselves according to his Majesty's Proclamation; we having ordered the respective Captains to give Tickets to the Men they so discharged; and to send to you Lists of the Names of such of them as entered voluntarily, as aforesaid, in order to their being paid their Wages and Bounty in *Broad-street*. We are

Your affectionate Friends,  
Navy Board. *Pembroke,  
D. Mitchell,  
Geo. Churchill.*  
A Copy. *Cha. Sergison.*

Sir,  
HAVING this Morning received an Order from the Right Honourable the Lords of the Admiralty, acquainting us . . . their Lordships having given Directions for reducing the Ships, that are fitted out for Chancel Service, to their lowest Complements of Men; and directing us to solicit the Right Honourable the Lords of the

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Treasury for Money for paying them at *Broad-street* both their Wages and Bounty; we send you inclosed a Copy of the said Order, desiring you to communicate the same to the Right Honourable the Lords of the Treasury, and to solicit their Lordships for Money to answer the said Service. We are, Sir,

Your very humble Servants,  
Navy Office, *Cha. Sergison,  
Den. Lyddell,  
Benj. Tymewell,  
Tho. Willshaw,  
John Hill.*  
29th April 1701.  
A Copy. *Cha. Sergison.*

Sir,  
A great Number of Seamen discharged from his Majesty's Ships, to reduce their Complements, coming to us this Morning for their Wages and Bounty Money; and many more expected, to the Number, as we hear, of 3 or 4,000, or more; and to delay the Payment of them, though the Lists are not yet come up, being not only a great Hardship and Discouragement to the said Seamen, but also of dangerous Consequence to the Service; the said Men having no Credit here, being Strangers, and being therefore very earnest for their Wages, &c.; we desire you will immediately communicate the same to the Right Honourable the Lords of the Treasury, and procure Money for their Payment. We are, Sir,

Your very humble Servants,  
Navy Office, *Rich. Haddock,  
Daniel Furzer,  
Cha. Sergison,  
Den. Lyddell,  
Jam. Southerne,  
Ben. Tymewell.*  
5th May 1701.  
at 9 o'Clock in the Morning.  
A Copy. *Cha. Sergison, Treasurer.*

By the principal Officers and Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy.

THESE are to give Notice to the Seamen lately discharged from his Majesty's Ships, for reducing their Complements, That the Treasurer of the Navy is soliciting for Money to pay them their Wages and Bounty; and that, as the same shall be received, and the Lists shall come up from their Commanders, they shall be paid accordingly. Dated at the Navy Office, this 5th May 1701.

*Richard Haddock,  
Thomas Willshaw,  
Cha. Sergison,  
John Hill,  
Jam. Southerne,  
Ben. Tymewell,  
Den. Lyddell.*

By the principal Officers and Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy.

THESE are to give Notice to the Seamen discharged from his Majesty's Ships, to reduce their Complements, That this Morning the Payment of them is begun at *Broad-street*, and will be carried on till they shall be all paid their Wages and Bounty. Dated at the Navy Office, this 6th May 1701.

Copies. *Cha. Sergison,  
Jam. Southerne,  
Den. Lyddell,  
Ben. Tymewell.*  
*Cha. Sergison.*

Copy of a Letter to the Commissioners of the Victualing.

Gentlemen,  
A great Number of Seamen being discharged from his Majesty's Fleet, to reduce their Complements, and ordered by the Right Honourable the Lords of the Admiralty to be paid at *Broad-street*; and many of the said Men being already come to Town; the said Pay will begin this Morning at *Broad-street*: And therefore we must desire you immediately to appoint some Person to attend the said Pay, with Money to satisfy what is due to the said Men for Short Allowance; finding, by their Tickets, they

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they have generally been at that Allowance. We are

Your humble Servants,

Navy Office,  
6th May 1701.

A Copy.

*Cha. Sergison.*

*Cha. Sergison,  
Ja. Sotherne,  
Den. Lyddell,  
Ben. Tymewell.*

SIX Hundred and Eighty-one of those Men were paid on *Tuesday* and *Wednesday*; and the said Pay is carried on in Two Places, for their Dispatch; which gives them great Satisfaction, having their Bounty and Short Allowance Money paid them with their Wages.

*Richard Haddock,  
Cha. Sergison,  
Jam. Southerne,  
D. Lyddell,  
Tho. Willshaw.*

Gentlemen.

Admiralty, 17th Feb. 94.

YOUR Letter of the Fifth Instant to our Secretaries, together with the Copy of one from the Commissioners of the Victualing, having been communicated to this Board; This is to acquaint you, in Answer thereto, That it is the *Ætna* Fireship at *Plymouth*, and not the *Blaze*, which is to be fitted for foreign Service; and that the Ships directed to be fitted for the *Streights*, and foreign Service, are to be victualled for their Middle Number of Men: And we do hereby desire and direct you to cause their respective Complements of Men to be reduced to their Middle Number, and to order the Commissioners of the Victualing to victual them accordingly. So we remain,

Yours, &c.

Navy Board.

*J. P. R. R. G. R.*

Gentlemen, Admiralty, 23<sup>o</sup> December 1697.

WHEREAS we have given Orders to Captain *Edwards*, Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships at the *Nore* and *Sheerness*, to reduce all the said Ships at the *Nore*, except those named in the Margin, designed on a foreign Voyage, to their lowest Complements of Men; and to man the Ships designed on a foreign Voyage as well as the others which have not their lowest Complements, to that Complement, out of the Men pressed since March last; and, when he has so done, to give us an Account what Number of Men shall remain aboard the Ships at the *Nore*, not bound on a foreign Voyage, over and above their lowest Complements, in order to our sending him further Directions thereupon; and we having also directed the said Captain *Edwards* to give you Accounts of the Names of such Ships as he shall reduce, and man to their lowest Complements; we do hereby signify the same to you; and do desire and direct you to give the necessary Orders therein to your Officers, as to what relates to their Part. We are

Yours, &c.

Navy Board.

*G. R. J. H. J. K.*

Admiralty, 11th Jan. 94.

Gentlemen,

Bound to *Constantinople*:  
*Falmouth*.  
Ditto, *West Indies*  
*Sundadoes Prize*,  
*Speedwell*,  
*Maidstone*,  
*Quinborough*.  
Ditto, *Canaries*:  
*Loo*,  
*Lyme*.

WE do hereby desire and direct you to cause all his Majesty's Ships and Vessels, now in Sea Pay, to be forthwith reduced to the lowest Complements of Men established on them, excepting the Ships in the *West Indies*, and other foreign Parts, and those named in the Margin, which are bound to *Constantinople*, the *West Indies*, and the *Canaries*. We remain

Yours, &c.

*H. P. G. R. J. H. G. W.*

Navy Board.

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England, Ireland, &c.*

WHEREAS, upon a late Representation, we did direct you to cause to be discharged, from the Ships that then were or should come into the *Downes*, all such Men, as, either by Sickness, or otherwise, were not fit to serve in his Majesty's Fleet; to prevent Sickness, or other Inconveniencies that might happen by their being kept on board; you are hereby required and directed to take particular Care, that the respective Captains of the Ships that now are, or shall come into the *Downes*, do transmit to the principal Officers and Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy, perfect Lists of the Names of all such Men as they shall so discharge, who were entered by or before the 28th of this Month, attested by themselves, and Signing Officers, that so the said Men may receive the Benefit of the Bounty promised by his Majesty's Royal Proclamation. Dated this 31 March 1701.

To *John Benbow* Esquire,  
Rear Admiral of the  
Blue; or to the chief  
Flag Officers, for the  
Time being, in the  
*Downes*.

*Geo. Rooke,*

*D. Mitchell,*

*Geo. Churchill.*

By Command of their Lordships,

*J. Burchett.*

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England, Ireland, &c.*

WHEREAS we did, some time since, direct, That Lists should be prepared, and sent to the Navy Board, of all such Men as voluntarily entered themselves to serve in his Majesty's Fleet, from the 26th February last, the Date of his Majesty's Royal Proclamation, to the 26th of March following, and have been discharged by reason of Sickness, or other Incapacities for Service; and whereas we are informed by the Commissioners of the Navy, That, in the Lists which have been sent to them by the Captains, there are inserted some pressed Men, and others that have been discharged for Preferment: You are therefore hereby required and directed forthwith to give Orders to the respective Captains of his Majesty's Ships in the Fleet, as they shall come in your Reach, to send, as soon as possibly may be, to the Navy Board, Lists only of such Volunteers who entered within the aforesaid Time, and have since been, or shall be, discharged by reason of Sickness, or other Incapacities, in order to the paying them the Bounty promised by his Majesty's Proclamation; and that they do not insert in the said Lists any pressed Men, or any Volunteers that have been, or shall be, discharged from their Ships intirely out of the Service. Dated this 15<sup>o</sup> April 1701.

To Sir *Cloudsly Shocell*, Admiral of the Blue.

*Hazzersham,*

*D. Mitchell,*

*Geo. Churchill.*

By command of their Lordships,

*J. Burchett.*

The like Orders to the other Flag Officers, and Commanders of his Majesty's Ships.

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England, Ireland, &c.*

IN further Explanation of our late Orders to you for directing the Commanders of his Majesty's Ships, of the Squadron under your Command, to prepare and transmit the Navy Board Lists of Volunteers that have or shall be discharged, who entered themselves according to his Majesty's Proclamation, in order to their being paid their Bounty, you are hereby required and directed to order the respective Captains of his Majesty's Ships in the *Downes* to send to the Navy Board Lists of all such Volunteers who entered themselves on and between the 9th Day of February last, and the 26th of March following; and have since been, or shall be, discharged upon account of Sickness,

Sickness, Incapacity for Service or otherwise. Dated this 21st Day of April 1701.

To John Munden Esquire, Rear Admiral of the Blue,  
*Pembroke,  
 D. Mitchell,  
 Geo. Churchill*

*Downes.*

By Command of their Lordships,

*J. Burchett.*

The like Orders to the other Flag Officers and Commanders of his Majesty's Ships.

By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord . . . . Admiral of *England, Ireland, &c.*

IN Obedience to his Majesty's Commands signified to this Board, you are hereby required and directed forthwith to give Orders to the respective Commanders of his Majesty's Ships of the Fleet, that are or shall be within your Reach, except those that are already fitted and fitting out for Service in the *West Indies*, and the *Mary Gally*, to reduce the Number of Men, now belonging to them, to their lowest Complements; and you are likewise to order them to give Tickets to such Men as they so discharge, and to send Lists to the Navy Board of the Names of such of them as voluntarily entered themselves within the Time limited by his Majesty's Proclamation, viz. the 9th Day of February and the 26th Day of March following, inclusive, in order to their being paid not only their Wages, but their Bounty also, in *Broadstreet*. Dated this 28th April 1701.

To Sir Cloudesly Shovell Knight, Admiral of the Blue; or Vice Admiral Hopson; at *Spithead*.  
*Pembroke,  
 D. Mitchell,  
 G. Churchill.*

By Command of their Lordships,

*J. Burchett.*

The like Orders to the other Flag Officers, and Commanders of his Majesty's Ships.

*Ordered*, That the said Report do lie upon the Table, to be considered when the Report shall be made, from the said Committee, relating to the Abuses in Buying of Seamen's Tickets; and the Methods to prevent buying them at Under-rates.

Committees. *Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Honiton Election, &c. *Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Honiton*, in the County of *Devon*; and also touching the Complaint of the Breach of Privilege against *James Herbert* Esquire; be made upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Privilege of Parliament. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for preventing any Inconvenience that may happen by Privilege of Parliament: And the same, being read, are as follow; viz.

Pr. 1. L. 1. instead of "his Majesty's," read "the King, or his."

L. 15. after "Record," add "at *Westminster*;" and, instead of "other Courts of Equity," read "Court of Exchequer, or the Duchy Court of *Lancaster*, or in the Court of Admiralty; and in all Causes Matrimonial and Testamentary, in the Court of the Arches, of Prerogative Courts of *Canterbury* and *York*, and the Delegates, and all Courts of Appeal."

L. 21, 22. instead of "when the Two Houses of Parliament are not actually sitting," read "from and immediately after the Dissolution or Prorogation of any Parliament, until a new Parliament shall meet, or the same be reassembled; and from and immediately after any Adjournment of both Houses of Parliament, for above the Space of Fourteen Days, until both Houses shall meet or reassemble."

L. 23. after "may," insert "after such Dissolution, Prorogation, or Adjournment, as aforesaid."

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L. 24. after "Orders," leave out "and;" and, after "Decrees," add "and Sentences."

L. 27. leave out from "to" to the Second "of," in the 29th Line; and read "subject the Person."

L. 30. instead of "as to their Persons," read "or any other Person intitled to the Privilege of Parliament, to be arrested during the time of Privilege."

L. 34. after "Parliament," instead of "or," read "such Person or Persons, after any Dissolution, Prorogation, or Adjournment, as aforesaid, or before any Sessions of Parliament, or Meeting of both Houses, as aforesaid, shall and may have such Process out of his Majesty's Courts of King's Bench and Common Pleas, and Exchequer, against such Peer, or Lord of Parliament, as he or they might have had against him out of the Time of Privilege: And if any Person or Persons, having Cause of Action."

L. 37. after the First "any," add "Dissolution;" and, after "Prorogation," add "or such Adjournment, as aforesaid."

L. 38. after "Parliament," add "or Meeting of both Houses, as aforesaid."

L. 39. } leave out "Peer of this Realm, or Lord of Parliament, or."

L. 11. instead of "or may," read "and any Person or Persons, having Cause of Suit or Complaint, may, in the times aforesaid."

L. 16. instead of "or other Courts of Equity," read, "Court of Exchequer, or Duchy Court of *Lancaster*."

L. 17. after "by," add "Letter or," and, after "Subpoena," add "as is usual."

L. 24. instead of "such," read "any of the said Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, or other."

L. 25. leave out "his."

L. 26. after "Privilege," add "of Parliament."

L. 28. instead of "the actual Sitting," read "Privilege."

L. 31. after "nonsuited," insert "dismissed, nor his Suit discontinued."

At the End of the Bill, add the Clauses marked A, B:  
 A: "And it is hereby declared, That no Action, Suit, Process, Order, Judgment, Decree, or Proceeding, in Law or Equity, for the Recovery or obtaining any Debt or Duty now due, or hereafter to be due or payable, unto his Majesty, his Heirs or Successors; or against any Accountant, or Person answerable or liable to render any Account unto his Majesty, his Heirs or Successors, for any Part or Branch of any of his or their Revenues, or other Debt or Duty; or the Execution of any such Process, Order, Judgment, Decree, or Proceedings; shall be impeached, stayed, or delayed, by or under the Colour or Pretence of any Privilege of Parliament; yet so, nevertheless, that the Person or Persons of any such Debtor or Accountant, or Person answerable or liable to account being a Peer of this Realm, or Lord of Parliament, shall not be liable to be arrested or imprisoned by or upon any such Suit, Order, Judgment, Decree, Process, or Proceeding; or, being a Member of the House of Commons, shall not, during the Continuance of the Privilege of Parliament, be arrested or imprisoned by or upon any such Order, Judgment, Decree, Process, or Proceedings."

B: "Provided nevertheless, That neither this Act, nor any thing therein contained, shall extend to give any Jurisdiction, Power, or Authority, to any Court, to hold Plea, in any real or mixed Action, in any other manner than such Court might have done before the making this Act."

Clause A being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out "declared," and inserting "enacted," in the stead thereof:

And

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made, by inserting, after "Equity," these Words, "against the King's original and immediate Debtor:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

And other Amendments being proposed to be made to the Clause;

Ordered, That the said Clause be referred to the Consideration of a Committee:

And it is referred to Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Conyers, Sir Barth. Shower, Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Cowper, Sir Thomas Powys, Sir Joseph Jekyll, Sir John Leveson Gower; and all the Members of the Long Robe, or any Five of them: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber: And are to sit *de die in diem*.

Ordered, That the further Consideration of the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the said Bill, be adjourned until Monday Morning, Eleven a Clock.

Dartmouth, &c. Elections. Ordered, That the Reports from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Dartmouth*, in the County of *Devon*; and touching the Election for the City of *Winchester*; be made upon Wednesday Morning next.

Lord Somers' Impeachment. A Message from the Lords, by Sir John Hoskins and Sir Robert Legard:

Mr. Speaker,

We are commanded by the Lords to deliver to this House a Copy of the Answer of John Lord Somers Baron of *Evesham* to the Articles exhibited by the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, in Parliament assembled, in the Name of themselves, and of all the Commons of *England*, in Maintenance of their Impeachment against him for high Crimes and Misdemeanors, supposed to be by him committed.

And they delivered the same in accordingly.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Preservation of Protestant Religion. Resolved, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for the better Preservation of the Protestant Religion; and for preventing the Translation of Bishops from one See to another.

Justices of Peace Qualification. Ordered, That all the Members that serve for the Counties of *Devon*, *Cornwall*, *Wilts*, *Suffolk*, *Sussex*, and *Wales*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace was committed.

And then the House adjourned till Monday Morning, Nine a Clock.

Lunæ, 26° die Maii;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

Stanley's Estate.

A BILL to enable Sir Thomas Stanley to charge a certain Manor, and Lands, in the County of *Lancaster*, with Three thousand Pounds, for the Payment of his Sisters Portions, and Debts, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Harley, Mr. Brotherton, Sir William Ashurst, Mr. Ashurst, Sir Tho. Stanley, Mr. Chase, Mr. Byrch, Mr. Musgrove, Mr. Champneys, Mr. Lampton, Sir John Mordant, Mr. Ogle, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Herne, Mr. Crosse, Sir Robert Davers, Mr. Gwynne, Sir Robert Cotton, Mr. Mompesson, Sir John Molesworth, Mr. Markes, Sir Humph. Mackworth, Lord Cornbury; and all that serve for the Counties of *York*, *Chester*, and *Lancaster*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

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Mr. Harley reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for transferring a Trust in Lands, belonging to the City of *London*, unto new Trustees, was committed, That they had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

The Bill was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Harley do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

The Lord Cornbury reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for Sale of the Estate of *James Deane*; and for securing the Monies, raised thereby, for the Benefit of himself and Family, according to the Settlement thereof; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned, and also Mr. Edwards, whose Petition was referred to the said Committee, had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. Stawell reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable the Sale of some Parts of the Estate of *Mallock's Estate*. *Rawlin Mallock* Esquire, deceased, for discharging the Monies, Debts, and Charges thereupon, was committed, That since the Committee had gone through the Bill, some other Persons desired to be heard, than those who had been before heard: And moved, That the Bill may be re-committed, in order thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to the same Committee: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Ordered, That Mr. Edward Vaughan have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions. Leave of Absence.

An ingrossed Bill for declaring the Will of Sir Joseph *Hern's Will*. *Hern*, dated the Twenty-fifth Day of February One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, to be taken and esteemed the last Will of the said Sir Joseph *Hern*, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for declaring the Will of Sir Joseph *Herne* Knight, dated the Twenty-fifth Day of February One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, to be taken and esteemed the last Will of the said Sir Joseph *Herne*.

Ordered, That Mr. Bertie do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to change the Surname of *Ellis Mews*, and his Heirs, to the Surname of *Saint John*, was read a Second time. Mews' Name.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Jervoise, Sir Robert Davers, Mr. Chandler, Mr. Mompesson, Mr. Trenchard, Lord Cornbury, Mr. Blofeild, Captain Dyot, Sir John Kaye, Mr. England, Lord Fairfax, Mr. Herne, Mr. St. John, Mr. Grosse, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Brewer; and all for the Counties of *Southampton*, *Wilts*, and *Dorsett*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Mr. Chace, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Ralph Box* with *Elizabeth Eyre*, and to enable him to marry again, was committed, That they had heard



heard the Counsel and Witnesses of Mr. *Bar*, to make good the Allegations in the Bill; and had also heard the Counsel and Witnesses upon the Petition of Mrs. *Bar*; and had directed him to report the Bill to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Hallifax  
Poor.

A Bill for erecting and making a Corporation within the Town of *Hallifax*; and for the better Relief and Government of the Poor there; was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *John Kaye*, Mr. *Musgrave*, Mr. *Bold*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Trenchard*, Mr. *England*, Mr. *Fuller*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Chase*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Sir *Geo. Hungerford*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Ogle*, Sir *Jer. Elwes*, Mr. *Mountagu*, Sir *Humph. Mackworth*, Mr. *Lawson*, Sir *Francis Mas-sam*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Wilts*, *York*, and *Lancaster*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Election  
Returns.

A Bill for continuing an Act to prevent false and double Returns of Members to serve in Parliament was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Raising  
Militia.

A Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and One, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House upon the said Bill.

Privilege of  
Parliament.

Sir *John Leveson Gower*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom was referred the Consideration of the Clause sent down by the Lords, as an Amendment to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the preventing any Inconveniencies that may happen by Privilege of Parliament, That they had considered the same accordingly; and had made some Amendments to the same; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Clause A, L. 4. after "Duty," leave out "now due, "and hereafter to be," and insert "originally and immediately."

L. 9. after "other," insert "original and immediate."

And then the House, according to Order, took into Consideration the Amendments made by the Lords, to the said Bill; and the said Amendments, so amended, and also the other Amendments made by the Lords to the said Bill, were read, and agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Leveson Gower* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments, with the said Amendments to the said Clause; and desire their Concurrence to the said Amendments.

Woollen  
Manufacture.

A Petition of the Clothiers of the Town of *Dorchester* in *Dorsetshire*, and Parts adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners find a great Decay of the Woollen Manufacture, occasioned by Transportation of our Wool to *France*, and running *French* Commodities upon their Coasts: And praying, That this House will be pleased to consider of some speedy Means for preserving the Woollen Manufacture.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom it was referred to consider of the Woollen Manufacture.

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A Petition of divers *English* Merchants was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Merchandize of the native Commodities of this Kingdom, through the Want of a Regulation of Trade, as well as the Linen and other Commodities of *Germany*, *Flanders*, *Holland*, and the East Country, are almost wholly devolved into the Hands of Foreigners, who negotiate the same by their Servants and Factors, who shift their Lodgings when any Taxes are to be paid, and enter their Goods in *Englishmen's* Names; whereby the King is defrauded of his Customs of their imported Merchandize; and likewise export and import them upon foreign Bottoms, to the Extirpation of our *English* Merchants and Navigators to those Parts: And praying Relief, and a Regulation of Trade.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the City of *Exeter* is referred.

A Petition of divers Merchants and Drapers of the City of *London*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners being importers and Dealers in great Quantities of foreign Linen, which have generally been the Product of our Woollen Manufactures; but, by reason of the great Quantities that have been, and daily are, stolen in upon our Coast, they are much discouraged, and, in a little time, will be rendered incapable of carrying on their Trades; to the great Prejudice of his Majesty's Customs, the Discouragement of our *English* Manufacture of Linen and Canvas, and the Ruin of fair Traders: And praying Redress of the said Grievance.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of the City of *Exeter* is referred.

A Petition of Colonel *Nicolas Sankey*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner commanded a Regiment the First Campaign in *Ireland*; which being reduced by the great Sickness at *Dunkirk*, it was, with others, broke: That the Petitioner had a Promise of Half-pay, till he was provided for; and he received the same for some time: That the Petitioner served several Years Campaign as Volunteer in *Ireland* and *Flanders*; by which he having contracted several Debts, he went to the Isle of *Man*, to reside; during which time he was left out of the List of broken Officers, laid before this House: And praying, That he may have the same Favour of receiving Half-pay, as other Officers.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the Report from the Committee appointed to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay shall be made.

A Petition of *John de la Croix*, a late Officer, who served in the late Wars, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner hath served, during the late War, both in *Flanders* and *Ireland*, and was disbanded on the 14th March 1699: That the Petitioner, being prevented of making his Application to this House, by a severe Fit of Sickness, is deprived of the Benefit of receiving Half-pay: And praying, That he may be admitted into the List of Half-pay, with other Officers of the Army.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee appointed to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay shall be made.

A Petition of several Planters interested in, and Merchants trading to, the Island of *Barbadoes*, on behalf of themselves, and the rest of the Proprietors, and Inhabitants, of the said Island, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Duty of 4 and  $\frac{1}{2}$  per Cent. laid on the Commodities of the Growth of the said Island exported, by an Act of the Country, in Consideration of the great Charges necessary for the maintaining the Honour and Dignity of his Majesty's Authority there, the publick Meetings of the Sessions, the often Attendance of the Council, the Reparation of the Forts, the Building



Building of a Sessions House and Prison, and defraying all other publick Charges incumbent on the Government, as may appear by the said Act, which passed there in September 1663: That the said Duty hath been ever since collected in the said Island by Officers appointed thereunto, by and under the Directions of the Commissioners of his Majesty's Customs in *England*; but the Produce thereof hath been applied to other Uses here than by the said Act was intended; whereby the Forts, and other Fortifications there, are become very much out of Repair, and in no Condition of Defence: That the Petitioners are informed, That by the Act passed in the 9th and 10th Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting to his Majesty a further Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage, towards raising the yearly Sum of Seven hundred thousand Pounds, for the Service of his Majesty's Household, the said Duty of 4 and  $\frac{1}{2}$  per Cent. collected in *Barbadoes*, is made applicable towards the raising the said 700,000*l.*; which, they presume, had not been done, if this House had been rightly informed to what Uses the said Duty was appropriated: And they rather presume so, for that it will be a great Discouragement to the Subjects in the Plantations, to raise Money for the Security and Support of the Governors thereof, and they shall be taken away, and applied to other Uses: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Woollen  
Manufacture.

A Petition of *George Harrison, William Aldred, Abraham Vol, Zacheus Skingley*, and other the Tradesmen in *Colchester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Woollen Manufactures in and about the said Borough are so considerable, that the Poor of the said Town, for Weaving, and of the Country 20 Miles round, for Spinning, have their Dependence thereon: That, for Supply thereof, Wool is weekly conveyed from *London* by common Carriers; and, after due Preparation, thence to Spinners in the Country: That the said Carriers, by reason of bad Weather, and divers Accidents, cannot make their weekly Returns, without sometimes exceeding the Hours limited by several Acts for preventing the Exportation of Wool; nor the Petitioners send to their Spinners in the Country, without doing the same: That the common Carriers of this Town have not been known, in Man's Memory, to carry any Wool for Exportation; notwithstanding which, certain Persons, deputed by the Commissioners in the said Acts appointed, have, of late, presumed to seize the Wool carrying to Spinners, and several Bags of Wool brought from *London* in Waggon; which, by the badness of the Weather only, had exceeded a few Hours appointed by the said Acts for their travelling in: That the Persons deputed had no Reason to suspect, that the said Wool was carried with any Intent to be exported, the Horses being out of the Waggon when the Seizure was made: Which Practices, if continued, will be a great Discouragement and Detriment to the Petitioners: And praying, That Consideration and Relief may be had in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee to whom it is referred to consider of the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture.

Ditto.

A Petition of *Sir Edward Deering Knight, Sir Stephen Evance Knight, John Deacle, William Young, Philip Raleigh, William Lawrance*, Esquires, in behalf of themselves, and many more, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Woollen Manufactures of this Kingdom are the Jewel and *Indies* of *England*; which, rightly managed, is not only the Riches of the Nation, but hath an Influence on the Lands and Condition of all Persons, from the highest to the lowest: That the Exportation thereof, for many Years past, is fallen to Decay in *Germany*, and other Places, through the ill-manufacturing the same: The Petitioners do therefore humbly repre-

sent to this House, That the Means to recover this lost Trade, is, by making all Goods, to be exported, perfect and true, according to the Laws and Statutes in being; and that such Trade be carried on by a Company, to be erected by his Majesty's Letters Patents, by Leave of this House; and will engage, by voluntary Subscriptions of the Natives and Aliens in *England*, One Million of Pounds, for and towards such a Trade: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the Ends aforesaid; and for the Improvement of the Woollen Manufactures of this Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Freeman* and Mr. *Blofield* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

A Message from the Lords by Sir *Robert Legard* and Dr. *Edisbury*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the more effectual Restraining of trifling and vexatious Suits in Law: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Right Honourable *Elizabeth Lady Bulkely* to sell certain Lands in the County of *Devon*, and City and County of the City of *Exon*, for the Payment of Debts; with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Answer to the Lord *Somers* to the Articles of Impeachment exhibited against him be read To-morrow Morning at Eleven a Clock.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Dr. *Edisbury*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House, to the Amendment, Clause A, made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for preventing any Inconvenience that may happen by Privilege of Parliament.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Mr. *Bromley*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inquire by what Methods and Means the Waste and Destruction is made in *Enfield Chace*, That they had inquired into the same accordingly; and that they had directed him to report the Matter of Fact to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

That Mr. *Ayloff*, Deputy Auditor of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, presented to the Committee a Certificate from Mr. *Westlake* to *Thomas Earl of Stamford*, Chancellor of the Duchy and County Palatine of *Lancaster*, bearing Date the 25th June 1700:

A Warrant from the Earl of *Stamford* to *Cheek Gerard* Esquire, Clerk of his Majesty's Duchy of *Lancaster*, or his Deputy; and bearing Date 4th July 1700:

A Commission of *Hugh Westlake* Esquire, to cut, sell, and dispose of, Woods, Underwoods, and Trees, in *Enfield Chace*, during the King's Pleasure; dated 11th July 1700, Anno 12<sup>o</sup> Gul. 3<sup>tiu</sup>:

Articles of Agreement between *Hugh Westlake*, on behalf of his Majesty, on the one Part, and *John Shelley*, Citizen and Vintner of *London*, on the other Part; bearing Date 13th December 1700.

Mr. *Westlake*'s Certificate to the Earl of *Stamford* sets forth, That, in Obedience to his Lordship's Warrant, the 21st of May last past, he had surveyed all the Woods, Underwoods, and Trees, within *Enfield Chace*, and found the same, consisting of Oak, Beech, and some few Ash, to contain 3,947 Acres, or thereabouts; and that, on every such Acre, one with another, great Part being very thick, may be growing 160 Trees; in the Whole,

631,520

631,520 Trees; whereof the most Part are 30 Foot high: That a great Part are Oak, standing in a very good Soil, from 6 to 10 or 12 Inches and upwards in Diameter; and, in time, may be large Timber: That it is necessary some should be cut down, in order to the better Growth of the rest: and the Wood will be improved thereby, and the Deer receive no Damage.

Wherefore, he humbly conceives, many Thousand Trees, together with the Underwoods, may be cut, and sold, without prejudice to the Chace and Deer yearly, and for several Years, for his Majesty's Use and Benefit.

His Majesty's Warrant to the Earl of *Stamford* requires him forthwith to prepare a Warrant, to pass the Duchy Seal, empowering Mr. *Westlake* the Surveyor, according to a Survey by the said *Westlake* lately made of all the Woods, Underwoods, and Trees, within the Chace of *Enfield*, at all seasonable Times, yearly, by the Directions and Orders, from time to time, of the said Earl, during his Majesty's Will and Pleasure, to cut, sell, and dispose of, all such Woods, Underwoods, and Trees, within the said Chace, as may be conveniently cut, and disposed of, without Destruction of the Chace, or Prejudice of such Fee-wood, as is or shall be yearly due, and of ancient Right belonging to the Officers within the Chace; the Money, after all Charges and Fees deducted, to be paid to the Receiver General of the Duchy; to be applied and disposed of for his Majesty's immediate Use, in such manner as his Majesty shall, from time to time, direct.

The Earl of *Stamford*'s Warrant to *Cheek Gerrard* Esquire, or his Deputy, directs him to prepare a Warrant, to pass the Duchy Seal, directed to *Hugh Westlake* Esquire, Surveyor, &c. according to the Directions of his Majesty's Warrant, bearing Date 1<sup>o</sup> July 1700, therewith sent.

The Commission to Mr. *Westlake* recites the King's Warrant to the Earl of *Stamford*, and the Earl of *Stamford*'s Warrant to Mr. *Westlake*; and that *Westlake* having lately surveyed the Woods, Underwoods, and Trees, in *Enfield* Chace, and certified, that considerable Quantities may be yearly cut, felled, and disposed of for his Majesty's Use, without Destruction of the said Chace, or Deer therein, commands him, according to the said Survey, and such further Directions and Orders as the said Chancellor of the said Duchy shall, from time to time, give for that Purpose, at all seasonable Times, yearly, during his Majesty's Will and Pleasure, to cut, sell and dispose of, all such Woods, Underwoods, and Trees, within the Chace, as may conveniently be fallen, and disposed of, without Destruction of the Chace, or the Vert and Cover of the Deer, or Prejudice to the Fee-wood due to the Officers of the Chace; having due regard to the Laws and Statutes of the Realm, made for the Preservation of Woods, and for saving and preserving the Springs of the Woods to be cut: And that, upon every Sale of Wood, the Contractors pay the Money to the Receiver General of the Duchy; who, by Warrant from the Chancellor of the Duchy, is to pay such Sums as shall necessarily be expended in Execution of this Commission; the Residue to be applied to his Majesty's Use, as he shall direct: And that all Contracts, Bargains, and Sales, of the said Woods and Trees, shall be reduced into Writing; the same to be delivered to the Clerk of the Revenue, to be produced as Occasion shall require.

The Articles of Agreement between Mr. *Westlake*, on the Behalf of his Majesty, on the one Part, and *John Shelley*, of the other Part, set forth; That, in consideration of 1,044*l.* to be paid *Westlake* by *Shelley*, in Manner therein mentioned, and in Consideration of the Covenants to be observed by *Shelley*, *Westlake* grants, bargains, and sells, to the said *Shelley*, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, for ever, great Quantities of Wood, Underwood, and Trees, in the said Articles specified; containing in the Whole, 261 Acres, or thereabouts, except and reserved all young thriving Oaks and Ashes, then growing on the respective Ridings, or within the intended Square or Centre, as should be thought convenient to be

left standing, and so appointed in the Presence of the said *Enfield Chace. Shelley*, or *Thomas Barnett*, of *East Barnett*, in the County of *Hertford*, Gentlemen, or by some sufficient Deputy or Servant of the said *Westlake*, on or before the 25th March next ensuing; so as such young Oaks or Ashes shall not be more than reasonably sufficient, well to stock the said Ridings, Square, or Centre, with young, flourishing, and single Trees, at the usual Distance from each other.

To these Articles there is a Bond, of equal Date, affixed, from *John Shelley*, and *Thomas Barnett*, to *Westlake*, in the penal Sum of 2,000*l.* for Performance of Covenants.

Sir *Basil Firebrass*, Woodward and Master Forester of *Enfield* Chace, informed the Committee, That, in the last Civil Wars, there was such Waste and Destruction made of this Chace, no Timber was left; and it has been the constant Care of the Crown, ever since the Restoration, to preserve the young Trees and Timber, even to the restraining those from cutting, who have, by their Offices, a Right to Fee-wood; but that, of late, very great Quantities of Wood, of all Kinds, there, as Ulme, Ash, Hornbeam, and fine thriving young Oaks, of about 30 Years Growth, likely to make good Timber, have been cut down, under Colour of a Commission for making Ridings.

He acknowledged, some new Ridings he thought necessary; and when he heard of this Design, he, with Consent of Sir *Henry Bellaise*, and Mr. *Lister*, who have Walks in this Chace, and in the Presence of the Verderers, did set out and appoint several Ridings, in proper Parts of the Chace, as, by a Writing under the Hands of the Verderers appears: That Mr. *Westlake*, without any Regard to the same, made a new Plan, setting out other Ridings; and has allowed one *John Shelley*, a Man of little Substance, under Colour of the aforesaid Contract, to fall and dispose of Wood in the Chace, for making Ridings: That 2 or 300 Workmen have been employed in it for some time; and have observed no Method in falling the Trees, nor in leaving any standing at usual Distances; but have generally cut the best Trees, and gone to all Parts of the Chace for them, leaving others smaller, not so thriving, nor likely to make good Timber:

That he has seen the Articles betwixt *Westlake* and *Shelley*; and knows Trees are cut in several Parts of the Chace, not mentioned in them:

That the Trees are cut a little above Ground; not grubbed any of them up; and, as if their Masters were ashamed of what they have done, the Workmen have covered the Stools with Moss, to hide them:

That he verily believes the Brush-wood alone of the Trees fallen, is worth as much as *Shelley* is to give for all:

That he complained to the Earl of *Stamford*, in the Painted Chamber, of this Waste and Destruction of the Wood; who said, He had the King's Orders; and would go on, unless the King forbid him: And, speaking further to the said Earl of the burning Charcoal in the Chace, which, he heard, was intended, he answered, He had the King's Order; and, in a slighting Manner said, If he had any Complaints, he might put them in Writing, and bring them to his Lodgings; but he has been, at other times, so treated by this Earl; and his Lordship's Proceedings have been, in many Instances, so arbitrary, that he is quite discouraged from applying to him for Remedy upon any Complaints whatsoever:

That the ancient legal Method of the Chace has not been observed in setting out this Wood to be fallen: That the proper Officers within the Chace have been superseded doing their Duty by the Chancellor's Order; for that the Warrants for cutting Wood ought to have been directed to the Master of the Game and Deer, the Woodward and Bailiff, the Ranger, and divers Tenants: That the Homage should have valued it: The Chancellor afterwards is to direct the Sale; and the Keepers are to see it made:

That no Wood ought to be disposed of, till valued by the Verderers; and an yearly Account ought to be given to the Homage: That they know no such Officer in the Chace

Enfield  
Chace.

Chace as a Surveyor: However, the Earl of *Stamford*, without consulting the Officers of the Chace, and with the Surveyor of the Duchy only, has, in a summary Way, proceeded, and directed the Cutting, Falling, and Disposing, of the Wood, to the great Waste and Destruction thereof, and Injury of the Chace and Deer.

That, discoursing one Day with Mr. *Westlake* about this selling the Wood, Mr. *Westlake* told him, He would not sell, without reserving a Third Part to himself; offered him the Liberty to come in for a Share in the Contract and Sale: Which Sir *Basil Firebrace* refusing, Mr. *Westlake* desired he would not speak of this again; but said, If he did he would forswear it.

Sir *Basil* produced to the Committee a Valuation of the Wood in *Cockfoster's* Riding, amounting to 155*l.* 2*s.* 0*d.* all Charges deducted; though the same, he says, was sold for about 44*l.*

He says, No publick Notice was given of this Sale of the Wood, that so it might have been sold to the best Bidder.

*Samuel Mitchell*, Foreman of the Jury in the Chace, and *William Bosgrave*, *Tho. Harrison*, and *Henry Cole*, Verderers, acquainted the Committee, They had taken a particular Account of the Trees lately fallen, and intended to have been fallen, if not stopped by the Address of this House; and find the same to be as followeth:

That 3,981 Oaks, being young, thriving Trees, are cut down in the Ridings, and remain upon the Ground, besides many carried away:

That 2,791 Oaks more were intended to be cut down in the Ridings, if not prevented by the late Stop put to the falling them:

That 239, being the worst Oaks, are marked for Standards to be left in the Ridings:

That 2,709 Oaks, now standing in the Square, were intended to be cut down, but preserved by the late Stop to the falling them:

So that, besides Trees carried away, there remain, upon the Ground, Oaks cut down	3,981
Oaks intended to be cut down in the Ridings	2,791
Oaks intended to be cut down in the Square	2,709
	5,500

In all - - - 9,481

That the several Ridings, where the Wood is cut down, contains 286 Acres, all wooded, without Plains, which make, of Woodland-measure, 580 Acres:

That the Square contains 360 Acres, of which 294 Acres of the Wood are fallen:

That 73 Loads and an Half of Bark now lie in the Chace: That several Ridings are almost cleared, and the Trees and Wood carried away:

*Samuel Mitchell* further says, That in one Riding, he counted 400 Oaks cut down, and only 9 of the least and worst were left standing.

*Charles Wilford*, Keeper to Sir *Basil Firebrace*, says, That in cutting and falling the Trees in *Enfield Chace*, no Regard has been had to any Ridings: That they have gone into all Parts of the Chace for the best Trees: That they are cut off above-ground, the Stools covered with Moss in many Places, that they might not be discovered, and not any grubbed up:

That, on *Wednesday* the 14th Instant, about 9 in the Morning, he disturbed the Workmen, as they were falling the Trees, and told them of the Votes of this House; they went with him to one *Moson*, Mr. *Westlake's* Kinsman, and *Shelly*; who answered to the Votes, They signified nothing without an Act of Parliament; and that they would go on: And though the Order for stopping the cutting was with them about an Hour afterwards, the Workmen continued cutting till 6 at Night.

*William Bosgrave* says, Five of the Workmen told him, They worked all the next Day till 6 at Night, cut down and barked.

Mr. *Westlake* produced a Plan to the Committee, with the Ridings set out, as they were intended to be made:

He owned, the Ridings in his Plan were something different from those set out by Sir *Basil Firebrace*, and the Verderers; and that the latter was only signed by them; but said, They were shewed his Plan, and consented to it; which Sir *Basil Firebrace*, and the Verderers, positively denied.

He said, The Earl of *Stamford* directed him in the setting out the Ridings, and falling the Wood, to advise with the Verderers, and observe their Orders:

That the Contract with *Shelley* was only for 261 Acres; but that 400 were intended to be cut down; and that *Shelley* was to give for them at the Rate of 4*l.* an Acre; though this was only a verbal Agreement, and appears not in the Articles of the Contract:

That there was any such Conversation with Sir *Basil Firebrace*, as is mentioned in his reserving a Third Part of the Wood for himself, is absolutely denied; but he remembers, at another time, discoursing with Sir *Basil* about the Wood, Sir *Basil* desired he would reconcile him to the Earl of *Stamford*; and then they might make a good Hand of the Wood:

That there was no publick Notice of the Sale, he confesses; but he thought he sold it to the best Advantage:

That he received an Order for stopping the cutting the Wood, which was in the Chace, on *Wednesday* the 14th Instant, about 10 or 11 a Clock in the Morning; and believes the Workmen gave over Work immediately.

Mr. *Joel Gascoyne*, who was employed by Mr. *Westlake* to survey this Chace, says, The Plan delivered in to the Committee, was approved by Sir *Basil Firebrace*, and the Verderers:

That the Earl of *Stamford* told him, the Plan was shewed to the King in November last; and that his Majesty approved it:

That the Trees cut down, he judges, may be worth, one with another, 2*s.* 6*d.* a Tree:

That the Trees fallen in the several Ridings have been numbered, and he takes them to be 3,020; and that none have been carried away, to his Knowledge.

*John Boson*, says, The Oaks left in the Chace were of the best Trees he could mark out: That the Plan was shewed to the Verderers, and they approved it.

*Thomas Barnett* says, He first contracted with Mr. *Westlake* for the Wood in *Cockfoster's* Riding, at 5*l.* per Acre; afterwards for the Whole, at 4*l.* per Acre round.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That great Waste and Spoil hath been committed in *Enfield Chace*, belonging to his Majesty's Duchy of *Lancaster*, by destroying great Quantities of Wood, and young Oaks, to the great Damage and Prejudice of the Publick.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, Earl of *Stamford* censured.  
That the Destruction of the Wood and young Oaks in *Enfield Chace*, hath happened through the Neglect of Duty, and Breach of Trust, of *Thomas Earl of Stamford*, Chancellor of the Duchy of *Lancaster*;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Mr. <i>Tredenham</i> , Mr. <i>Gulston</i> :	136.
Tellers for the Noes,	{ Sir <i>Charles Hotham</i> , Sir <i>Rowland Gwynne</i> :	102.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Resolved*, That the said Resolutions be laid before his Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Martis, 27<sup>o</sup> die Maii;13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

## PRAYERS.

St. Martin's  
Parish  
Estate.

MR. Cross reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for improving the Ground belonging to St. Martin's Parish was committed, That they had considered the same, and had made one Amendment thereunto; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendment, be ingrossed.

Hertford  
County Gaol.

Mr. Gulston reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for removing the County Gaol of Hertford was committed, That they had considered the same; and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be ingrossed.

Theft on  
Northern  
Borders.

A Bill for continuing the Acts therein mentioned, for preventing Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of England, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Ogle, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Mompesson, Mr. Shackcrly, Sir Henry Bellasyse, Colonel Oglethorpe, Mr. Hyde, Earl of Ranelagh, Mr. Bold, Lord Cornbury, Mr. Frecke, Mr. England, Mr. Blofeld, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Geo. Hungerford, Sir Jercois Elwes, Sir Humph. Mackworth, Mr. Topham; and all that serve for the Counties of Northumberland, Cumberland, Westmorland, Durham, and York: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Election  
Returns.

A Bill for continuing an Act to prevent false and double Returns of Members to serve in Parliament, was read a Second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

Leave of  
Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. Harris have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Ordered, That Mr. Lyddall have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions.

New Way  
to Lincoln's-  
inn-fields.

Sir Humphrey Mackworth reported from the Committee, to whom the several Petitions of Cavendish Weedon Esquire, and others, relating to the new Way out of Chancery-lane into Lincoln's-inn-fields, was referred, That they had examined the Matter thereof, and had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz:

That the Committee having examined the Allegations contained in the said Petition of Mr. Weedon, it appeared, That, by an Act made the last Sessions of Parliament, intituled, An Act for the speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of Chancery-lane to Lincoln's-inn-fields, and Places adjacent, a Tax was given for making the said new Way before the 25th Day of March, then next ensuing; viz. The Sum of Two Shillings and Six-pence a Quarter upon all Hackney Coaches within the Bills of Mortality; and the like Sum upon Cars, Carts, Tumblers, and Drays, within the several Parishes of St. Giles in the Fields, St. Andrew's Holbourn, St. Clement Danes, St. Dunstan's in the West, and St. Bride's, for the Term of Six Years; with Liberty to borrow Three thousand Pounds, at Six Pounds per Cent. per Annum, the better to expedite the said Way:

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That the said Tax on the said Coaches amounts unto Three hundred and Fifty Pounds per Annum; and the Carts, Cars, Tumblers, and Drays, to Ninety-three Pounds per Annum; in all, Four hundred and Forty-three Pounds per Annum; but, deducting the Charges in collecting the same, the clear Product of the said Act is Four hundred and Thirteen Pounds per Annum; which, at Six Years End, in all, amounts to the Sum of Two thousand Four hundred Seventy-eight Pounds:

That, by the said Act, Eighty-nine Feet of Jackanapes-alley was granted to be sold towards the said Way; which is accordingly sold for One hundred and Five Pounds; and the Materials of the old Houses were sold for Sixty Pounds: So that the whole Value given by the said Act is Two thousand Six hundred Forty-three Pounds:

That the Petitioner Mr. Weedon, to serve the Publick, effected the said new Way Six Months sooner than the Time limited by the said Act: And it appeared to the Committee, that he underwent very great Trouble, Charge, and Hazard, in executing the said Act, when other the Commissioners would not venture to join in the same:

That the Committee also having examined the Allegations contained in the Petition of Shem Bridges and John Thornicroft Esquires; as also of Jane Dring, an Infant, on behalf of herself and Tenants; it did appear, That the said Mr. Bridges and Mr. Thornicroft were, by the said Act of Parliament, to be paid for their Houses, that were to be pulled down for making the said new Way, the Sum of Two thousand Six hundred Pounds; That no Person being willing to lend any Money upon the said Act, the Petitioner Mr. Weedon, and Two other of the Commissioners named in the said Act; viz. Mr. Atwell and Mr. Turner; assigned the said whole Tax, and Jackanapes-alley, in Mortgage, to Mr. Wotton and Mr. Townesend, in Trust for Mr. Bridges and Mr. Thornicroft, for the Sum of Two thousand Six hundred Pounds; whereby they claimed Interest for the said Two thousand Six hundred Pounds; which amounts to the Sum of Seven hundred Ninety-six Pounds, or thereabouts: But the said Act being deficient to make good the same; and the said Mr. Bridges and Mr. Thornicroft being willing, Mr. Weedon, who had nothing left but the Sixty Pounds for the said old Houses, to carry on the said Way, as also all other Persons, should be satisfied their Damages on account of the said Way, having agreed to wave their Interest; which being deducted, there appears due unto the said Mr. Bridges and Mr. Thornicroft, upon the said Act, the Sum of Two thousand Six hundred Pounds for their Principal, and Seventy-two Pounds for their necessary Charges they have been put unto by reason of the said Act;

In all, the Sum of - - 2,672 0 0

It did also appear, upon the said Mrs. Dring's Petition, That she, and the Proprietors, and Tenants on both Sides of the Way; viz. Mr. Houghton, Mr. Rich, Mr. Norton, Mr. East, Mr. Haves, Mr. Foster, and Mr. Walker; have sustained real Damages, to the Sum of - - 455 0 0

And to Mr. Weedon, for all manner of Charges, Expences, and Demands, in making the said new Way, as by his Bill appeared - - 1,021 7 7

Which said Three Sums above-mentioned do amount unto the Sum of - 4,148 7 7

And the Profits arising by the said Act, amounts unto the Sum of - - 2,643 0 0

So that the Act falls short, and is deficient, the Sum of - - 1,505 7 7

Which is Sixty-eight Pounds Seven Shillings and Seven-pence more than the Sum of Three thousand Pounds, and Interest, at Six £. per Cent. amounting, in the Whole, to the Sum of Four thousand and Eighty Pounds, given by the said Act of Parliament.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions following; viz.

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Resolved,



*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Petitioner Mr. *Weedon*, and the other Petitioners, have fully proved the Allegations contained in their said Petition.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee; That the new Way made out of *Chancery-lane* into *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, pursuant to, and by the Authority of, the late Act of Parliament, is of great Benefit and Advantage to the Publick: And that the Deficiency of the said Act, amounting to the Sum of One thousand Five hundred and Five Pounds Seven Shillings and Seven-pence, ought to be made good.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That such Deficiency happens, by reason there are not a sufficient Number of Cars, Carts, Tumblers, and Drays, charged by the said Act of Parliament.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Sir *Humphrey Mackworth* and Mr. *Brotherton* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of *Daniel de Petit Rose*, Lieutenant Colonel, and others, Captains and Officers in Major General *La Meloniere's* late Regiment of Foot on the *English Establishment*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have faithfully served his Majesty both in *Ireland* and *Flanders*, for which there are considerable Sums due to them; and could never get Payment, or a fair Account, from their Colonel: That there is great Stoppages made out of their Subsistence, for which they applied themselves to the late Commissioners of Accounts for Redress; but, Provision being made for Payment of the Petitioners otherwise, they had no Power to intermeddle therewith: And praying, That a Clause may be inserted in the Bill, now before this House, for enlarging the time to the said Commissioners to examine and state the Petitioners Accounts, as they shall for the rest of the Army.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom, is committed, have Power to receive a Clause to make Provision for the stating the Accounts of the Regiments disbanded in *Ireland*; and for the Hospitals.

Half-pay.

A Petition of *William Berry*, Captain in Brigadier *Langston's* former Regiment of Horse, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Regiment was incorporated into other Regiments of Horse in *Flanders*, in August One thousand Six hundred and Ninety-two; and the Officers were then commanded to do Duty in those Regiments; and his Majesty ordered them the like Subsistence of other Horse Officers of their Qualities, till they should be otherwise provided for; in pursuance whereof, the Petitioner has received, all the other Officers being provided for long before, Subsistence to the Twenty-third of February One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven; but no longer: That all other Officers, that were disbanded at the Conclusion of the Peace, have received Half-pay, and the Petitioner only excluded, though he was continually in the Service: And praying, That he may have the Benefit of receiving Half-pay with the rest of the Officers of the Army.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay, shall be made.

Tipping's  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill for vesting the Estate of *Lucretia Tipping* an Infant, in Trustees, upon her Marriage under Age, in order to the Sale thereof, for a Portion upon such Marriage, and a Settlement to be made accordingly, be read the Third time To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Stawell* reported from the Committee, to whom

the Bill to enable the Sale of some Parts of the Estate of *Mallock's* *Rachel Mallock* Esquire, deceased, for discharging the Estate. Monies, Debts, and Charges, thereupon, was committed, That they had considered the same, and the several Petitions to them referred; and that they found the Allegations contained in the Bill to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Montpesson*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Hallifax* *Mounstevens*, Sir *Richard Cox*, Sir *Roch. Gwyne*, Mr. *Poor*. *Meredith*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Mr. *St. Johns*, Mr. *Graham*, Mr. *Hammond*, Sir *Wm. Coriton*, Mr. *Rolls*, Mr. *Peirpoint*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Howard*, Mr. *Clerke*, Mr. *Taylor*, Mr. *Soames*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for erecting and making a Corporation within the Town of *Hallifax*, for the better Relief and Government of the Poor there, was committed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Rigby*, Sir *Thomas Meeres*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Anderton*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Davie*, Mr. *Bartie*, Sir *Wm. Withers*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Cross*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for preventing Multiplicity of vexatious Suits; and for settling and ascertaining the Tythe of Lead-ore; in the County of *Derby*; was committed.

Tythe of  
Lead-ore.

The Answer of the Lord *Somers* to the Articles of Impeachment exhibited against him was, according to Order, read; and is as followeth; viz.

Lord Somers'  
Impeachment.

The Answer of *John Lord Somers*, Baron of *Evesham*, to the Articles exhibited by the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, in Parliament assembled, in the Name of themselves, and of all the Commons of *England*, in Maintenance of their Impeachment against him, for high Crimes and Misdemeanors supposed to be by him committed.

THE said Lord *Somers*, saving to himself all Advantages of Exception to the said Articles, and of not being prejudiced by any Words, or Want of Form, in this his Answer; and also saving to himself all Rights and Privileges belonging to him, as One of the Peers of this Realm; for Answer to the said Articles, humbly saith,

1. To the First Article, That, he believes, the now Emperor of *Germany*, and the States General of the *United Provinces*, being, in the Year One thousand Six hundred Eighty-nine, engaged in a War with *France*, a Treaty and Alliance was concluded between them; and a separate Article then made, to the Effect in this Article mentioned; and that his Sacred Majesty did afterwards enter into, ratify, and approve, the same; to which Treaty, separate Article, and Ratification, for more Certainty thereof, he referreth himself: And further saith, That, in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-and-eight, his Majesty, before he left *England*, was pleased to tell him, That some Intimation had been given to the Earl of *Portland*, when in *France*, that the *French King* inclined to come to an Agreement with his Majesty concerning the Succession to the Crown of *Spain*; and afterwards, in August One thousand Six hundred Ninety-and-eight, his Majesty being then in *Holland*, and the said Lord *Somers* at *Tunbridge Wells*, by his Majesty's Permission, for Recovery of his Health, Mr. Secretary *Vernon* communicated to him a Letter he had then received, written by the Earl of *Portland*, by his Majesty's Order; wherein it was mentioned, that Count *Tallard*, who was then Ambassador from the *French King* to his Majesty, had



had declared, an Accommodation might be found out in relation to the Succession of *Spain*, in case of that King's Death; and that his Majesty had sounded *France* upon what Terms an Agreement might be made; and the Conditions were near of this Nature; viz. That the Electoral Prince of *Bavaria* should have the Kingdoms of *Spain*, the *Indies*, the *Low Countries*, and all that depends upon the *Spanish* Dominions, except the Kingdom of *Naples* and *Sicily*, *Sardinia*, the Province of *Guypuscoa* on this Side of the *Pyreneans*, *Fontarabia*, and *St. Sebastian*, *Finall*, and the Places in *Tuscany*, of which *Spain* then stood possessed; in Consideration of which *France* was absolutely to renounce the Right it pretended to the Succession of *Spain*; and *Milan* was to be given to the Archduke, Second Son to the Emperor; and that his Majesty commanded the said Mr. Secretary to speak to him, the said Lord *Somers*, touching that Matter; and that his Lordship should discourse it with those he thought he might trust with that Secret; which to keep with the utmost Care was, by the said Letter, mentioned to be of the highest Importance: And, at the same time, the Lord *Somers* received a Letter from his Majesty, signed by himself, intimating, that Count *Tallard* had made some Propositions touching an Agreement with his Majesty, concerning the Succession of the Kingdom of *Spaine*, the which the said Earl of *Portland* would write to Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, to the end his Majesty might have some Opinions upon that Affair, which required the greatest Secrecy, and in which no Time was to be lost, if that Negotiation were to be carried on; and, for that End, his Majesty thereby commanded the said Lord *Somers* to send full Powers to him, under the Great Seal of *England*, with Blanks for the Names of Commissioners to treat with Count *Tallard*; which his Majesty, by the said Letter, was pleased to say, he believed, might be done secretly, that none, but the said Lord *Somers*, and Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, and those to whom the said Lord *Somers* and Mr. Secretary should communicate it, might have Knowledge thereof; and that the Clerks, who were to write the full Powers, might not know what they were; or to the like Effect: And the said Lord *Somers* did immediately return the Earl of *Portland*'s said Letter to Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, and desired him to communicate the Contents thereof to the Earl of *Orford*, and the now Lord *Hallifax*, Two of the then Lords Justices, who, as he was assured, were then in Town; and also to such others as they and Mr. Secretary *Vernon* should think fit; who, in regard of the King's Command to have that Affair kept a Secret, thought fit to impart it to the Duke of *Shrewsbury* only, as the said Mr. Secretary afterwards acquainted the said Lord *Somers*; and, some time afterwards, the said Lord *Hallifax* came down to the said Wells, and Mr. Secretary *Vernon* coming thither also about the same time, they and the said Lord *Somers* had discoursed together concerning the said Proposal: And the said Lord *Somers*, by Letter dated the Eight-and-twentieth of August One thousand Six hundred Ninety-and-eight, did, as his own Thoughts, and as what he apprehended to be the Result of their Consideration, humbly represent to his Majesty; First, That the Entertaining of such a Proposal, as was mentioned by Count *Tallard*, seemed to be attended with many very ill Consequences, if the *French* did not act a sincere Part; but that they were soon at Ease as to any Apprehension of that sort, being fully assured, his Majesty would not act, but with the utmost Niceness, in an Affair, wherein his Glory, and the Safety of *Europe*, was so highly concerned: That the Second Thing they considered was, the very ill Prospect of what was like to happen upon the Death of the King of *Spain*, in case nothing was done previously towards the providing against that Accident, which seemed probably to be very near, the King of *France* then having so great a Force in such a Readiness, that he was in a Condition to take Possession of *Spaine* before any other Prince could be ready to make a Stand; that his Majesty was the best Judge whether that was the Case, who was so perfectly informed of the Circumstances of all Parts abroad; but, so far as related to *England*, it would be want of Duty not

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to give his Majesty this clear Account, That there was a Lord *Somers* Deadness and Want of Spirit in the Nation universally, so Impeachment. as not at all to be disposed to the Thoughts of entering into a new War; and that they seemed to be tired out with Taxes to a Degree beyond what was discerned, until it appeared upon the Occasion of the then late Elections; that That was the Truth of the Fact; upon which his Majesty would determine what Resolutions were proper to be taken: The remaining Consideration was, What would be the Condition of *Europe*, if the Proposal took place? but of That they thought themselves little capable of judging; but, it seems, that, if *Sicily* was in the *French* Hands, they would be intirely Masters of the *Levant* Trade; that, if they were possessed of *Finall*, and those other Sea Ports on that Side, whereby *Milan* would be intirely shut-out from Relief by Sea, or any Commerce, that Duchy would be of little Signification in the Hands of any Prince; and that if the King of *France* had possession of that Part of *Guypuscoa*, which is mentioned in the Proposal, besides the Ports he would have in the Ocean, it did seem, he would have as easy a Way of invading *Spaine* on that Side, as he then had on the Side of *Catalonia*: But it was not to be hoped, that *France* should quit its Pretensions to so great a Succession, without considerable Advantages; and they were assured his Majesty would reduce the Terms as low as could be done, and make them, as far as was possible in the then present Circumstances of Things, such as might be some Foundation for the future Quiet of *Christendom*, which all his Majesty's Subjects could not but be convinced was his true Aim; and, if it could be brought to pass, That *England* might be some way a Gainer by that Transaction, whether it was by the Elector of *Bavaria*, who was the Gainer by his Majesty's Interposition in that Treaty, his coming to an Agreement to let the *English* into some Trade to the *Spanish* Plantations, or in any other Manner, it would wonderfully endear his Majesty to his *English* Subjects.

That it did not appear, in case the Negotiation should proceed, what was to be done on his Majesty's Part, in order to make it take place; whether any more was required, than that the *English* and *Dutch* should sit still, and *France* itself was to see it executed; and, if that were so, what Security ought to be expected, that, if by their being Neuters, the *French* should be successful, they would confine themselves to the Terms of the Treaty, and not attempt to make further Advantages of their Success? And the said Lord *Somers* saith, That, after the Writing of his said Letter, he had no Account whatsoever, nor heard any thing, of the said Treaty, or knew or heard, whether the same was proceeded upon, or not, until towards the latter End of September following, when he was acquainted by Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, that he had received an Account, that a Treaty, relating to the Succession of the Crown of *Spaine*, had been adjusted, concluded, and signed, by the Commissioners named by his Majesty for that Purpose, and the Ambassador and Plenipotentiary of the *French* King: And the said Lord *Somers* doth deny, that the said Treaty of Partition, or any Proposition for such Treaty, or the Transaction thereof, was communicated to him the said Lord *Somers*; nor was he acquainted with the same, or the Design thereof, or any other Matter relating thereto, at any other time, or in any other Manner, before he was told of the Concluding and Signing thereof, as aforesaid, than as is herein before-mentioned to be done by his Majesty, as aforesaid, and by his and the said Earl of *Portland*'s Letter herein before-mentioned: And the said Lord *Somers* doth deny he did, at any time whatsoever, advise his Majesty to enter into the said Treaty, or any way encourage or promote the same; but, having made the Objections before-mentioned, in his said Letter to his Majesty, against the Propositions so communicated to him as aforesaid, and clearly laid open such Thoughts and Observations as occurred to him upon the said Matter, he did thereby, as he conceived, fully and faithfully discharge his Trust, and the Duty incumbent on him: And the said Lord *Somers* further saith, That afterwards Mr. Secretary *Vernon* did acquaint him, that he had received, by his Majesty's

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Majesty's Command, a Copy of the Treaty relating to the Succession to the Crown of *Spain*, and of Two secret Articles relating to the Matter of that Treaty; and that he had likewise his Majesty's Command to prepare the Instruments for the Ratification of the same, and to leave Blanks therein for the Names of the Commissioners of the States General; and accordingly the said Mr. Secretary did prepare the said several Instruments, and did bring the same, so prepared, to the said Lord Somers, to pass the same under the Great Seal; which was done accordingly, the said Lord Somers having a good and lawful Warrant so to do; and the said Ratification was transmitted to his Majesty, to have the same perfected in his Presence: Which Treaty, and secret Articles, were to such or the like Effect as in this Article is set forth; but, for more Certainty, he refers himself to the said Treaty and Articles.

And the said Lord Somers, not being privy, in any other Manner than as aforesaid, to the said Treaty, or the Transaction thereof, doth not know when, or in what manner, the same was communicated to the States General.

2. 3. To the Second and Third Articles, the said Lord Somers saith, That he having received his Majesty's express Commands, by his Letter mentioned in his Answer to the First Article, to send to his Majesty full Powers, under the Great Seal of *England*, for negotiating the said Treaty, with Blanks for his Majesty's Commissioners Names; which, he humbly conceives, and is advised, was a sufficient Warrant for him to pass a Commission under the Great Seal for that Purpose; and the same being prepared in the usual Form of Commissions or full Powers with Blanks for Commissioners Names, according to his Majesty's Direction, he did affix the Great Seal to the same; and the said Commission was sent to his Majesty, then in *Holland*, to be perfected in his Presence, by inserting the Names of such Persons as his Majesty should think fit to commissionate therein, as, he conceives, might legally be done; which Commissioners were to receive their Instructions from his Majesty for the Execution of their said Power, together with the said Commission, in usual Manner: But what Instructions, or whether any Instructions, in Writing, were given to the Commissioners, in relation to the executing the said Power, the same no ways concerning the Lord Somers, he knows not: And the said Lord Somers saith, He did desire his Majesty, that a particular Warrant for the said Commission, which had been before sent by Mr. Secretary *Vernon* to his Majesty, as he informed the said Lord Somers, for his Signing, might be signed, and returned; not that he doubted his Majesty's said Letter to be a sufficient Warrant, but for that such Warrant might be more proper to be produced, if Occasion should require, than his Majesty's said Letter; which, by reason of other Matters therein contained, ought not to be produced without his Majesty's Permission, and which is now made use of by his Majesty's gracious Leave: And the said Lord Somers further saith, That his Majesty having, by his own and the Earl of *Portland*'s Letter before-mentioned, directed that his Majesty's said Commands should be kept secret, he did not communicate the making of the said Commission, otherwise than to the Persons mentioned in his Answer to the said First Article.

4. To the Fourth Article he saith, That Mr. Secretary *Vernon* having prepared, by his Majesty's Command, the Instruments for Ratification of the said Treaty, with Blanks therein, as is before set forth, he did affix the Great Seal to the said Ratification with such Blanks; which he conceives, and is advised, he might lawfully do: And having also his Majesty's Command, that the said Treaty should be kept secret, he did not communicate the same to the rest of the then Lords Justices, or his Majesty's Privy Council; which besides, he conceived, was unnecessary to be done, in regard his Majesty had then, by his Commissioners perfected the said Treaty; so that the same could not be altered.

5. To the Fifth Article, the said Lord Somers saith, He believes, that, in the Year One thousand Six hundred

Ninety-and-nine, another Treaty was entered into, and concluded between his Majesty, the States General, and the *French* King, to such or such-like Effect as in this Article is mentioned; to which Treaty, for more Certainty thereof, he referreth himself; And denieth, that he had any Knowledge of such Treaty, or any Transaction in order thereunto; save only that a Draught of the said Treaty was read over in the presence of divers of the Lords of his Majesty's Privy Council, whereof the said Lord Somers was One: to which Draught the said Lord Somers, as well as others then present, did make several Objections; but they were informed by his Majesty's Plenipotentiaries for transacting the said Treaty, who were then also present, That the said Treaty was so far perfected, that nothing could then be altered therein; and his Majesty afterwards, by his Warrant, requiring the Ratifying of the said Treaty under the Great Seal, he did affix the Great Seal to such Ratification, being, as he conceives, obliged so to do.

6. To the Sixth Article, he saith, He conceives it was not incumbent upon him, as Lord Chancellor, to see the Commissions or Ratifications, in this Article mentioned; inrolled; the same being prepared, and brought to the Great Seal, by the Secretaries of State, ready ingrossed; and, when sealed, taken away by them, and the original Treaties remaining in their Custody; but the Care of inrolling the same, if necessary, doth, as he conceives, belong to the Prothonotary of the Court of Chancery.

7. To the Seventh Article, he saith, That, when the Great Seal was committed to his Custody, he took the Oath of Office to the Effect in that Article set forth; and, during the time he had the Custody thereof, he did carefully, diligently, and honestly, endeavour to keep the said Oath; and hopes and believes he hath duly observed the same; and doth acknowledge, That, during the time he was Lord Keeper and Lord Chancellor, he did pass several Grants to divers Persons of several Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, belonging to his Majesty in Right of the Crown of *England*; but saith, That, before any of them came to the Great Seal, the same were regularly passed through the proper Offices, and brought, with sufficient Warrants, for the Great Seal; and believes more considerable Grants have passed, in the like Number of Years, in most of his Predecessors Times; and conceives, and is advised, that, being required by his Majesty, by proper Warrants, to pass the same, he ought so to do: And denies, That he did ever advise, promote, or procure, any Grant to be made to any Person whatsoever, of any forfeited Estate in *Ireland*, or did procure any Act or Bill, prepared for confirming any such Grant in the Parliament in *Ireland*, to be approved in the Privy Council in *England*: And saith, That, what Bills of this Nature were remitted under the Great Seal of *England*, to be passed into Laws in *Ireland*, the same were first approved, and passed, in the Privy Council in *England*, according to the usual Form in such Cases; and being so approved, were, by Order of Council, sent to the said Lord Somers; who was, by the said Order, required to affix the Great Seal thereto.

8. To the Eighth Article, he saith, He did, during the time he had the Custody of the Great Seal, receive the Profits and Perquisites thereto belonging, which, before his Time, were become very inconsiderable; and did also receive an annual Pension or Allowance from his Majesty of Four thousand Pounds, being the like Pension that had been allowed to several of his Predecessors: But denies, that he did ever beg, or use any Means to procure, any Grant whatsoever from his Majesty, for his own Benefit: But saith, That what his Majesty was pleased to give him proceeded from his Majesty's own Motion, and of his mere Bounty, and, as his Majesty was pleased to declare upon that Occasion, as an Evidence of his gracious Acceptation of the said Lord Somers's zealous Endeavours for his Service; and the same was done without any previous Solicitation by him the said Lord Somers, or any other, to his Knowledge or Belief; and that, in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven, his Majesty, of his

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own Motion, did grant, for the Benefit of the said Lord *Somers*, the Manor or Manors of *Rygate* and *Howley*, as in the said Article is mentioned; but the same was, and is, far short of the Value thereby suggested: And the said Lord *Somers* further saith, He never pretended to purchase, in his own Name, or in the Name or Names of any other Person or Persons in Trust for him, any of the Fee-farm Rents, or other Rents, vested in Trustees for Sale; but his Majesty taking notice, that several of the said Fee-farm Rents, and other Rents, so vested in Trustees, were unsold; and the said Trustees being, by the Acts of Parliament vesting in them the said Rents, declared to hold the same for the Benefit of his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors; his Majesty did, in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven, of his own Motion, without any Solicitation, Procurement, or Means, used by the said Lord *Somers*, acquaint the then Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, or some or one of them, That it was his Majesty's Pleasure, that Two thousand One hundred Pounds per Annum of those Rents should be granted to, or for the Benefit of, the said Lord *Somers*, and his Heirs; and that all proper Methods should be used for vesting the same for his Benefit, as of his Majesty's free Gift; and the said Acts of Parliament having directed, That the said Trustees on Sales should convey the said Rents pursuant to Contracts to be signed by the Lord Treasurer, or Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, for the Time being, or any Two of them, for the Satisfaction of the said Trustees only; and according to the Method that had been used, from the Time of making the said Acts, in passing Grants of any of the said Rents, even such as were merely of the Bounty of his Majesty's Predecessors, and of his Majesty; such Warrants were made by his Majesty to the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury to contract, or give Warrants to the Trustees to contract, for the said Rents; and such Contracts were, pursuant thereunto, made; and such Grants of the said Rents were passed, as in the said Article is mentioned; and the Money, mentioned in such Contracts, was, for the Perfecting of his Majesty's said intended free Gift, discharged by Tallies struck for that Purpose: And the said Lord *Somers* saith, The said Contracts were not intended or designed to make the Grantees of the said Rents appear to be Purchasers; but the said Lord *Somers* always acknowledged he received the said Grants of his Majesty's Bounty; and, he humbly conceives, it was lawful for him so to accept the same.

9, 10. To the Ninth and Tenth Articles the said Lord *Somers* saith, That, after his Majesty had given such Direction to the Lords of the Treasury for granting Fee-farm Rents, and other Rents, to the yearly Value aforesaid, for the Benefit of the said Lord *Somers*, and his Heirs, and after Warrants were signed by the Lords of the Treasury to the said Trustees, for making Contracts for conveying Rents of the said yearly Value, for the Benefit of the said Lord *Somers*, it did appear, that the said intended Contracts and Grants could not be perfected; for that neither the Lords of the Treasury, nor the said Trustees, were sufficiently informed what Fee-farm Rents, or other Rents, remained undisposed of; so that the whole Benefit of his Majesty's intended Bounty would have been lost, without Information could be granted of such particular Rents: And the said Lord *Somers* being informed, that *Reginald Marriott*, and *John Digby*, in this Article named, were the most likely, if not the only, Persons capable to give Information therein, Application was made to them for that Purpose; and the said *Marriott* and *Digby*, being so applied to after the said Warrants of his Majesty, and the said Lords of the Treasury, were executed, as aforesaid, did refuse to give any Account of such Rents, unless they might have, as a Reward for their so doing, Rents amounting to near a Fourth-part of such Rents, whereof they should give such Account, conveyed in Trust for them, in such manner as in the said Article is mentioned; which the said Lord *Somers* did, as he conceived, he lawfully might, it being only to his own Loss and Prejudice, comply with; not in order to any such End as is suggested in the said Article, but that he might perfect

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the Grant before designed and appointed to be made to him by his Majesty of his own free Will, and not at the said Lord *Somers*'s Solicitation; the Discovery of any of the said Rents not being made by the said *Marriott* and *Digby*, or any other Person, till after the said Warrants of his Majesty, and the Lords of the Treasury, as aforesaid; and accordingly the several Grants, in this Article mentioned, were made to *Hancock* and *Warner*, in Trust for the said *Marriott* and *Digby*, as was affirmed to the said Lord *Somers*: And the said Lord *Somers* saith, There was not any Sum of Money paid as the Consideration of the Grants of the said Rents; but the Contracts were made, and the Payment of the several Considerations thereof were discharged, in the Manner, and for the Reasons, herein before set forth; and were not colourably or fraudulently contrived, in Deceit of his Majesty, or Elusion of the said Acts of Parliament.

11. To the Eleventh Article the said Lord *Somers* saith, He believeth, that several of the Rents, mentioned to be granted in Trust for him, as aforesaid, had been before granted to other Persons by the said Trustees; and that others of them were not in the Power of the said Trustees to grant; which was, and is, very much to his Prejudice: And believes the same were inserted by mistaken Informations given touching the same, and not out of any Design; and the like Mistakes have frequently happened in other Grants of other of the said Rents: And denies, that, to his Knowledge or Belief, any of the said Rents, so granted for his Benefit, were ever united or annexed to the Castle of *Windsor* for any Purpose whatsoever; or that any Oppression or Vexation hath happened to any of his Majesty's Subjects, by Reason of the Granting of any of the said Rents, and, as he believes, little or no new Charge to the Crown.

12. To the Twelfth Article the said Lord *Somers* saith, That, his Majesty having designed, of his Bounty to him the said Lord *Somers*, and his Heirs, Fee-farm and other Rents, to the annual Value in the said Grants mentioned; and the said Trustees having covenanted, as was usual for them to do, that they had not made any former or other Grant or Conveyance of the said Rents, or any of them; and Three hundred Forty-seven Pounds Eleven Shillings and Three-pence Farthing per Annum of the said Rents, so granted as aforesaid, having appeared to be granted before, or not to be grantable, by the said Trustees, or not leviable on Surrender of such Rents; the said Trustees, by Warrant of the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury, who were thereunto sufficiently authorized, in Lieu and Satisfaction of the said Rents, and Arrears thereof, and in Discharge of the Covenants of the said Trustees, did, the Twenty-first Day of October One thousand Six hundred Ninety-and-nine, grant divers other Rents, amounting to the yearly Value of Three hundred Ninety-one Pounds and Three-pence Halfpenny, to *Richard Adney*, and his Heirs, as in the said Article is mentioned, which were not so granted, as if the said yearly Rents of Three hundred Forty-seven Pounds Eleven Shillings and Three-pence Farthing had been *bona fide*, purchased, but was in Lieu and Reprize for the same as granted of his Majesty's Bounty, for the Benefit of the said Lord *Somers*, and his Heirs, as aforesaid; which, he conceives, might be, and was, lawfully done.

13. To the Thirteenth Article the said Lord *Somers* saith, He doth admit, that, in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-five, he then being Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of *England*, his Majesty, being informed, as the Truth was, that *Thomas Too*, *John Ireland*, *Thomas Wake*, and *William Maze*, and several other of his Majesty's Subjects in his Plantations of *America*, had associated themselves, and did frequently commit great Piracies, Robberies, and Depredations, on the Seas in the Parts of *America*, and other Parts, to the Hinderance and Discouragement of Trade and Navigation, for preventing the said Mischiefs, did grant a Commission, as in this Article is mentioned, unto *William Kidd*, in this Article named, who was the Commander of the Ship called the *Adventure Galley*, and was not then, to the Knowledge

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or Belief of the said Lord Somers, esteemed a Person of ill Fame or Reputation, to apprehend, seize, and take into his Custody, the said *Thomas Too*, *John Ireland*, *Thomas Wake*, and *William Maze*, and all such other Pirates as he should meet with in the Seas of *America*, or any other Seas, with their Ships and Vessels, and such Merchandizes, Monies, and Wares, as should be found on board, or with them, and to cause such Pirates to be brought to a legal Tryal; the Granting of which Commission was then apprehended to be necessary for the Preservation of Trade and Navigation. And the said Lord Somers doth also admit, That a Grant, dated the Seven-and-twentieth Day of May One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven, did pass under the Great Seal of *England*, as in this Article is mentioned; whereby, reciting the said Commission so granted to the said *William Kidd*, and that the said *Adventure Galley* was, with his Majesty's Knowledge, and Royal Encouragement, bought and fitted out to Sea, for the Execution of the said Commission, at the Charge of the Earl of *Bellamont*, *Edmund Harrison*, *Samuel Newton*, *William Rowley*, *George Watson*, and *Thomas Reynolds*, in this Article named; his Majesty for encouraging and rewarding the said Undertaking, did grant unto the said Earl of *Bellamont*, *Edmund Harrison*, *William Rowley*, *George Watson*, *Thomas Reynolds*, and *Samuel Newton*, who was named by and in Trust for the said Lord Somers, their Executors and Administrators, all and whatsoever Ships, Vessels, Goods, Merchandizes, Treasure, and other Things whatsoever, which, since the Thirtieth Day of April One thousand Six hundred Ninety-six, had been taken or seized upon or with, or did belong to, or should happen to be taken or seized upon or with, or which did or should belong to, the said *Thomas Too*, *John Ireland*, *Thomas Wake*, and *William Maze*, or their Adherents, or any other Pirates, by the said *William Kidd*, or other Commanders of the said *Adventure Galley*, or which, by, or by Means of, the said Ship or Galley, should be taken, or forced on Shore, on any of his Majesty's Plantations in *America*, so far as the said Premises, or any of them, did, should, or might, belong to his Majesty, or could or might be granted or grantable by him, or was or were in his Power to dispose of; which Grant was not intended to be without an Account; for the said Lord Somers saith, That, by Indenture bearing Date the Two-and-twentieth Day of May One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven, made, after the Warrant for the said Grant was signed, and before it was passed, between his Majesty of the one Part; and the said Earl of *Bellamont*, *Edmund Harrison*, *William Rowley*, *George Watson*, *Thomas Reynolds*, and *Samuel Newton*, of the other Part; they the said Earl of *Bellamont*, *Edmund Harrison*, *William Rowley*, *George Watson*, *Thomas Reynolds*, and *Samuel Newton*, did covenant, promise, and agree, with his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, well and truly to account for, and deliver, upon Oath, to the Use of his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, or the Commissioners of his or their Treasury, or his or their High Treasurer, a clear Tenth Part, the Whole in Ten equal Parts to be divided, of all and every such Ships, Vessels, Goods, Merchandizes, and other Things whatsoever, which in and by the said Grant should be given, or which should, from time to time, be taken, or seized, or secured, by them, or any of them, their or any of their Executors or Administrators, Officers, Agents, Servants, or Assigns, by virtue or colour thereof; to which Grant and Indenture the said Lord Somers, for more Certainty referreth himself: And further saith, He conceives, and is advised, That the said Grant did not any way tend to the Obstruction or Discouragement of Trade or Navigation, or to the Loss or Prejudice of Merchants, or others his Majesty's Subjects, or the Subjects of his Friends or Allies; or to the Dishonour of his Majesty, or the Kingdom; nor was the Passing of the same any Breach of the Duty of the said Lord Somers; but the said Grant was for and as a Recompence to the said Grantees, who, at their own Charge, had provided and fitted out the said Ship, to enable the said *William*

*Kidd* to execute the Powers in the said Commission mentioned; whereby the Publick might have received great Benefit, had the said *William Kidd* faithfully discharged the Trust in him reposed by his Majesty, and the said Grantees; which he failing to do, the Owners of the said Ship have lost all their Expences, and have not received any Benefit of his Majesty's said Grant.

14. To the Fourteenth Article the said Lord Somers saith, He did not delay any Proceedings in any Cause or Causes depending before him, as Chancellor of *England*, longer or otherwise than as the Circumstances and Justice of each Cause required; but did, to the very manifest Impairing of his Health, constantly apply himself to the Dispatch of the Causes depending before him: And denies that he did ever make, by colour of his Office, any arbitrary or illegal Order, to the Subversion of any Law or Statute of this Realm; or did ever assume to himself any arbitrary or illegal Power; or ever reverse any Judgment given in the Court of Exchequer, otherwise than as is warranted and allowed by the Law, and in the Presence of the Barons of the Court of Exchequer, who were always present in the Court of Exchequer Chamber when their Judgment were examined, as the Statute in such Cases directs: Nor did ever deliver in any Court of Judicature, or other Place whatsoever, any Position whatsoever dangerous to the legal Constitution of the Kingdom, or destructive to the Property of the Subject, as is charged by the said Article.

And as to all other Matters and Things in the said Articles contained, and not herein before particularly answered unto, the said Lord Somers saith, he is not guilty of them, or any of them, in Form as the same are charged upon him in and by the said Articles; and humbly submitteth himself to your Lordships Judgment.

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Ordered, That the said Answer be referred to the Committee appointed to draw up the Articles of Impeachment.

Ordered, That it be referred to the said Committee to prepare a Replication thereunto.

The ingrossed Replication to the Answer of the Earl of *Orford* to the Articles of Impeachment exhibited against him was read. Earl of Orford's Impeachment.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Clause, upon the Report of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garrisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions; for making the Recruits of the Ten thousand Men that are to be sent to the Service of the States General. Supply Bill; Land Tax.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Clause, upon the said Report, to prevent the Taking of Fees for any Money granted by Parliament.

Ordered, That the Committee, to whom it was referred to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, have Power to apply the Monies for Prizes for the Benefit of the Publick. Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Conyers also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved,



*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Dillon's  
Divorce.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for dissolving the Marriage of Sir *John Dillon* with *Mary Boyle*; and for other Purposes therein mentioned.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, be taken into Consideration upon this Day Sevensnight.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, upon the Petitions to them referred, be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

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#### PRAYERS.

Cottonian  
Library.

AN ingrossed Bill for the better settling and preserving the Library kept in the House at *Westminster*, called *Cotton-house*, in the Name and Family of the *Cottons*, for the Benefit of the Publick, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That, for the better securing and preserving the said Library, all Grants or Devises whatsoever of any the Manuscripts, Memorials, Medals, or other Rarities, in the said Library, in the Schedule now remaining in the said Library, shall be void; and that, within Six Months after any Library-keeper shall undertake the said Office, he shall cause another Schedule to be made in Parchment, as well of the Names and Titles of all Manuscripts, and other Papers and Records there, as of the Pages and Folios, and cause the same to be inrolled in Chancery, without Fees:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed to be made Part of the Bill.

Then the several Amendments following were proposed to be made to the Bill; viz.

Pr. 2. L. 2. leave out "thereunto annexed;" and insert "now remaining in the said Library:"

Pr. 3. L. 30, and 31. leave out "\*\*\*" and insert "in the said Schedule:"

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: and that the Title be, An Act for the better settling and preserving the Library kept in the House at *Westminster*, called *Cotton-house*, in the Name and Family of the *Cottons*, for the Benefit of the Publick.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Bartholomew Shower* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Thanks of this House be given to Sir *John Cotton*, for his great and generous Benefaction to the Publick: And that Sir *Bartholomew Shower* and Mr. *Topham* do give him the Thanks of this House accordingly.

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An ingrossed Bill for vesting the Estate of *Lucretia Tipping's* *Tipping*, an Infant, in Trustees, upon her Marriage under Age, in order to the Sale thereof, for a Portion upon such Marriage, and a Settlement to be made accordingly, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for vesting the Estate of *Lucretia Tipping*, an Infant, in Trustees, that they, upon her Marriage, may sell the same for a Portion, upon a Settlement to be made on her, and her Issue.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brewer* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Balch* have Leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions. Leave of Absence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and One, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid. Raising Militia.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Topham* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Topham* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill; and made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Friday* Morning next.

Mr. *Birch* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent the Corrupting of Jurors was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House. Corrupting Jurors.

And a Motion being made, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed;

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be adjourned till *Monday* Morning next.

It passed in the Negative.

Then a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Harley*,  
                                  { Mr. *Ash*: } 89.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Harcourt*,  
                                  { Mr. *Hoblyn*: } 163.

So it passed in the Negative.

Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the Borough of *Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardness*, in the County of *Devon*, and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz. Dartmouth Election.

Upon the Petition of *Thomas Vernon* and *William Ball* Esquires, complaining of an undue Return of *Nathanael Herne* and *Frederick Herne* Esquires to serve for the Borough of *Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardness*:

As to the Matter of the Return, the Committee did not think fit to come to any Opinion; because the Merits of the Election came before them at the same time.

But the State of the Case was thus;

That there was in *Dartmouth*, at the time of the Election, Two Persons pretending to the Office of Mayor: viz. Mr. *Floud* and Mr. *Bully*.

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Dartmouth  
Election.

The Mayor of *Dartmouth* enters upon his Office on the *Monday* after *Michaelmas*.

That Mr. *Floud*, from the *Monday* after *Michaelmas* to the Day of the Election, had kept the Town Courts, and had possessed himself of the Mayor's Seat in the Church: Mr. *Bully* had in his Possession the Seal and Maces of the Corporation: The Precept was delivered to Mr. *Bully*, which was afterwards demanded by Mr. *Floud*, and denied him by Mr. *Bully*: Mr. *Bully* afterwards gave Notice of the Election, and went, at the Time appointed for the Election, to the Town Hall, which he found Mr. *Floud* possessed of; whereupon he adjourned to *Bescone*, and proceeded to the Election in that Place, where Mr. *Floud* followed him: And Two Polls were taken, one by Mr. *Floud*, and the other by Mr. *Bully*: And Mr. *Bully* sent an Indenture to the Sheriff, importing, That the Petitioners were duly elected: And Mr. *Floud* sent him another Indenture, under another Seal of the Corporation, importing, That the Sitting Members were duly elected: Both these Indentures were sent up, by the Under Sheriff, to Mr. *Granger*, who acted for him in *London*, with Direction to him to advise upon it, if he did see Occasion: And Mr. *Granger* offered the Petitioners to make a Double Return, if they thought fit; but, they not agreeing to that, the said Mr. *Granger* made a Return only of the Indenture sent to the Sheriff by Mr. *Floud*; upon which the Sitting Members are returned to this House.

That, as to the Merits of this Election upon the Poll taken by Mr. *Bully*, the Numbers were as follow;

That for the Petitioners, 51.

That for the Sitting Members, 49.

That, upon the Poll taken by Mr. *Floud*, the Numbers were thus;

For the Sitting Members, 49.

For the Petitioners, 33.

But, however, the Petitioners Counsel insisted, That they would disqualify several that voted for the Sitting Members: And, as to Fourteen, the Objection was, That they were made free when Mr. *Palmer* was Mayor, without a competent Number of the Chamber: And, as to that, they called,

*Simon Lumley*: Who said, That *Mark Hayman*, *Edward Reynolds*, *Hugh Kiss*, *George Stroud*, *John Hinde*, *Francis Hill*, *John Myrch*, *Giles Wheeler*, *Richard Henley*, *Rich. Savery*, *Sampson Mathews*, *Richard Cole*, and *Enoch Cole*, were some of the Eighteen that were made free by Mr. *Palmer*:

That, at the Chamber, when these Persons were made free, there only appeared Mr. *Palmer* the Mayor, Mr. *Floud*, Mr. *Veasy*, old *Whitrowe*, Mr. *Bully*, and Mr. *Toser*: That old *Whitrowe* and *Bully* said, There was no Chamber, and went away before they were made free; so that there was only the Mayor and Three Magistrates in the Chamber; whereas it is generally esteemed, that the Mayor and Six Magistrates make a Chamber to make Freemen.

*Nath. Straw* said, That Mr. *Whitrowe* and Mr. *Bully*, being come to the Chamber at the time these Persons were to be made free, asked them, What they were about to do: And, it being answered, They were about going to make some Persons free, the said Mr. *Whitrowe* and Mr. *Bully* said, There was no Chamber; and went away:

And said, At the same time these Persons were made free, some eldest Sons of Freemen demanded to be made free; and were denied by the Mayor.

*Jacob Stone* said, That he came to *Dartmouth* in Seventy-one, and had lived there ever since, and has been Serjeant there: And he said, He never knew them make any Persons free, without the Mayor and Six Magistrates; and that the Mayor and Five have met, and they have gone away, and done nothing, for want of the Sixth.

*Thomas Garrett* said, That he was one of the Eighteen made free by Mr. *Palmer*: And that he did promise to vote for Sir *Joseph Herne*, or otherwise he had not been made free.

*Edward Chant* said, That being Three Years ago at *Dartmouth*, and being in Company with the Mayor, and talking of the Election, he heard such a one would set

up, naming the Person: And the Mayor said, He did not doubt of his not coming in; for they would make Freemen enough to keep him out.

And they produced Two Constitutions: One, Two-and-Twentieth August One thousand Five hundred and Fifty-eight, by which it was agreed, by the Mayor, his Brethren, and the whole Council of the Town, That no Mayor, after the said Day, should make free of the same Town any manner of Person whatsoever, without the Consent of the Council of the Town; and another Constitution, Thirtieth of January One thousand Six hundred and Seventy-two, That no Person should be made free, without the Consent of Seven Magistrates.

The Petitioners Counsel objected to *John Fownes* Esquire, and *Giles Yard* Esquire, as honorary Freemen, because the Oath of honorary Freemen is different from that of a trading Freeman; the Oath of the latter obliging them to perform the Duties of the Corporation, which is not mentioned in the Oath of an honorary Freeman.

That the Petitioners Counsel also objected to Five; viz. *William Cock*, *John Manoway*, *John Clarke*, *Francis Yard*, and *William Lang*; as being made free by Mr. *Rocket*, who was no Mayor.

And the Short of that Case is this: Mr. *Whitrowe* was Mayor of *Dartmouth*, and died within his Year: Mr. *Whitrowe* had been sworn by Mr. *Bully*, that was Mayor before him: After the Death of Mr. *Whitrowe*, Mr. *Bully* swore Mr. *Sykes* Mayor; but Mr. *Rocket*, being a Candidate for the Mayoralty, and thinking himself aggrieved, the Day before *Michaelmas*, when Mr. *Sykes* was at *London*, broke open the Guildhall, and kept Possession: And afterwards brought a *Mandamus* for Mr. *Bully* to swear him Mayor; which Mr. *Bully* refusing to do, and making a Return, That Mr. *Rocket* was not duly elected, Mr. *Rocket* brought an Action against Mr. *Bully*, for a false Return; and had a Verdict against Mr. *Bully*; the Exemplification of which was produced to the Committee: And Mr. *Floud* succeeded Mr. *Rocket*, and Mr. *Bully* succeeded Mr. *Sykes*; but there was no Account of any Act done by Mr. *Bully*, as Mayor, except that he had received Bushelage, and signed some Passes: And Mr. *Floud* has acted as Mayor to the time of the receiving the Precept, without Interruption of Mr. *Bully*, and ever since:

That, as to the Poll, the Sitting Members Counsel excepted to several that had polled for the Petitioners, under several Heads; viz. to Ten that were made free by *Mandamus*, on Pretence of being the Sons of Freemen, or having served Apprenticeships:

To Five others made free by Mr. *Sykes*, on the same Pretence; and to Four others, by several Mayors, on Pretence of a Right that the Mayor for the Time being had, of himself, to make One Person free in his Mayoralty:

That the Names of the Ten made free upon the *Mandamus*, were, *Thomas Lidston*, *John Hutchins*, *Robert Hodge*, *Geo. Channell*, *Wm. Bowden*, *Wm. Elliott*, *John Stone*, *Stephen Smith*, *Sam. Budley*, *John Cawley*:

And *Newman* said, That these Ten were made free by Mr. *Bully*, when he was Mayor, upon bringing the Second *Mandamus*, suggesting, That, by Custom, such as were the eldest Sons of Freemen, or had served Seven Years Apprenticeship to Freemen, had a Right to their Freedom; whereas several of the Chamber said, There was no such Right; and would have had Mr. *Bully* have made that Return to the *Mandamus*; and only Mr. *Whitrowe*, of the Magistrates, consented to their being made free: And *Newman* said, That the Judge did declare at the Assizes, That one Reason of the Jury's giving a Verdict against Mr. *Bully*, upon the Action brought for a false Return of the *Mandamus* sued out for the Swearing of Mr. *Rocket* Mayor, was, That the Jury were of Opinion, That those made free by Mr. *Palmer*, were well made free; and that these Ten Persons were not well made: However, it was admitted, That they were all of them the Sons of Freemen, or had served Seven Years Apprenticeship.

Mr. *Newman* further said, That the Occasion of making Freemen by Mr. *Palmer* was, That, the Session before,

before, there were Two Tryals; and, having Occasion for Two Juries, and the Freemen being always of the Juries, it appeared to the Judge, That there was a Want of Freemen; and the Judge directed Mr. *Palmer* to make more Freemen:

That, as to the other Five Freemen, their Names were *Samuel Surway, Richard Sampson, Geo. Diggon, Geo. Hingston, John Lidston* senior.

And *Newman* said, That these Five were made free by Mr. *Sykes*, on the same Pretence of Right as the *Mandamus* Freemen were made: And that there was no Magistrate but the Mayor and Mr. *Bully* present:

That the Four objected to, as made Free by Right claimed by several Mayors, and are commonly called the Mayor Freemen, were, *John Sykes, Jacob Clift, Sylvanus Evans, Nic. Weekes*.

And several Entries in the Books were produced, that made out the same:

That, as to the Usage, the Counsel called,

*William Mamory*: Who said, He had known *Dartmouth* Forty Years; and the usual Custom of making free, was by the Mayor, and major Part of the Magistrates who appeared: And the Practice of the Mayor's Freemen were grounded upon this; That the Mayoress would choose an able Man; and, by Consent of the Magistrates, he was made free.

That, by way of Reply,

The Petitioners Counsel insisted, That, by the Law of *England*, the eldest Sons of Freemen, and such as had served Apprenticeships, had a Right to their Freedom:

And produced several Instances, wherein several Persons, being mentioned, in the order of their Admittances, to be the eldest Sons of Freemen, and having served Seven Years Apprenticeship, were admitted for small Fines; viz. the eldest Son for 6s. 8d. Fine, and the Apprentices for 10s. Fine:

That the Petitioners Counsel also produced several Entries, in their Books, of Persons made free, as the Mayor Freemen; viz. One Person by a Mayor: But there was no Instance of that Kind since the Year One thousand Six hundred and Seventy-two:

That the Sitting Members Counsel admitted, That it had been formerly the Practice for the Mayors to make, each of them, One Freeman; but, since the Constitution of One thousand Six hundred Seventy-two, that Practice had been discontinued.

That the Committee, upon the whole Matter, came to these Resolutions;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Nathanael Herne* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardnesse*, in the County of *Devon*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Frederick Herne* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardnesse*.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Nathanael Herne* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Brough of *Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardnesse*, in the County of *Devon*.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Frederick Herne* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardnesse*.

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Sir *Rowland Gwynne* also, according to Order, reported, from the said Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the City of *Winchester*; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

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Upon the Petition of *Frederick Tilney* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of the Lord *William Powlet*, and *George Rodney Bridges* Esquire, to serve for the City of *Winchester*: Winchester Election.

That, upon the Poll, there was,

For Mr. *Bridges*, 55.

For the Lord *Wm. Powlet*, 49.

For Mr. *Tilney*, 41.

That the Petitioner's Counsel owned, That they had no Instructions against Mr. *Bridges* Election.

But the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That there had been indirect Practices by the Sitting Member, the Lord *William Powlett*; and that they should also take off several from his Lordship's Poll: And they called,

*Richard Good*: Who said, That he was Mayor of *Winchester* the last Year before this, and also Under Sheriff of the County of *Southampton*; but he had the Under Sheriff's Office by the Recommendation of the Duke of *Bolton*, who, at the same time, engaged him not to make any Freemen of *Winchester* without his Approbation: However, it was acknowledged, That the Duke of *Bolton* had not proposed to the Aldermen to make Mr. *Chute* and Mr. *Pitt* free; and it was opposed by Mr. *Perdue* and Mr. *Sharpe*; they saying, It was against the Duke's Interest: Mr. *Good* also said, That Mr. *Tilney* had settled a Benefaction on the City in the same Year, the Nature of which was, to lend Money to some poor Tradesmen for a certain Time, without Interest: And that, the same Year, he did make Mr. *Woodroffe*, and Mr. *Tichborne* free: And that afterwards Mr. *Bridges* came to him, and told him, He had a Letter from the Duke; and that he called him Knave, and said, He had very much disobliged the Duke, by making Persons free against the Duke's Interest; and that the Duke would be his Ruin.

And Mr. *Good* further said, That he had received Letters out of the *Isle of Wight*, That Colonel *Lee* would not employ him as Under Sheriff, because he was out of the Duke's Favour: That afterwards he was restored to the Duke's Favour; and the Duke wrote a Letter to Colonel *Lee*, on the said Mr. *Good*'s behalf; but Colonel *Lee* said the Letter came too late.

Mr. *Matthew Imber*, the present Mayor, said, That he had been Mayor several times; and that, a little before *Michaelmas* last, the Duke desired him, That he would not make any Person free without his Approbation: And he was desired to oppose the making free of Mr. *Chute* and Mr. *Sturt*; which accordingly he did, because he had promised the Duke: But it was acknowledged, That the Duke had not proposed any to him to be made free: And Mr. *Imber* further said, That the Recorder asked him, if the Under Sheriff's Place would be suitable to him; and he reckoned it was so proposed, to engage him to oppose the making of Mr. *Chute* and Mr. *Pitt* free: And that the Recorder came to him, after the Dissolution of the last Parliament, and desired him to send the Serjeant to the Members of the Corporation, to desire them to attend the Duke, at his House, in the Afternoon:

That accordingly the Serjeant went: And he, coming to wait on the Duke, found a great Number of the Corporation there; and the Duke pressing him for his Votes, he told his Grace, He hoped he did not expect both his Votes: That they had Wine there; but Mr. *Bridges* said He would not drink, unless it was upon the Recorder's Account: That, desiring to make his Brother free, he was told, He must ask the Duke's Consent: To which he replied, Shall I not make my Brother free, who may leave my Family 1,000 l. ? and, accordingly he did make him free: And that, waiting on the Duke the Election Day in the Morning, his Grace desired him not to go to the Election, till Major *Morgan* came to Town: That, at the Election, the Duke of *Richmond* said to *Colson* and *Clerke*, Two of the Electors, when they came to give their Votes, There is an honest Man, that stands to his Word! Upon which

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which Mr. *Bridges* went to the Duke of *Richmond*, and desired him to be silent, or he would spoil all.

*Wm. Strong* said, That, a Fortnight or Three Weeks before the Election, he went to the Duke of *Bolton's* for his Son's Money; and the Duke told him, If he would not vote for the Lord *William Powlet*, he would not pay it: That afterwards, he went by the Duke's Order, to Mr. *Coward*, the Recorder of *Winchester*, for the same Money; and Mr. *Coward* the Recorder told him, If they did not vote for my Lord *William Powlet* the Duke would remove the Sessions and Assizes; and that it should be the worse for him: And Mr. Recorder engaged him to set his Hand to his Book, That he would vote for the Lord *William Powlet*.

*Thomas Baines* said, He was one of the Common Serjeants, and is annually chose into his Office: And, as he was passing down the Street, he was called into Mr. *Sharpe's* Shop, where was Mr. *Perdue*; which Mr. *Sharpe* and Mr. *Perdue* voted for the Lord *William Powlet*; and they told him, If he did not vote as they did, he should be turned out of his Office; but, in fact, he still continues his Office.

*William Baines* said, That the Night before the Election, he was at the *White Hart*, where were the Lord *William Powlett*, Mr. *Dickinson*, and some of the Corporation; and they drank Wine there; and the Reckoning came to 19s. odd Money, which Mr. *Dickinson* paid:

That, at another Time, the said Lord *William Powlett*, Mr. *Sharpe*, Mr. *Perdue*, and Mr. *Cobb*, and others, drank together, and had Fifteen Quarts of Wine, which, Two or Three Days after, Mr. *Cobb* paid for; though the Witness could not say whose Money it was, nor whether Mr. *Cobb* made an Interest for my Lord *William Powlett*.

*Richard Speering*, a Cooper, and his Wife, testified, That, the Latter-end of December last, Mr. *Coward*, the Recorder came, at Two several times, to their House, and asked for *Richard Speering's* Vote; and said, If he would not vote for the Lord *William Powlet*, the Lady *Russell's* Work would lie at stake: But they said, There was no Authority from my Lady *Russell* for what Mr. *Coward* said; and Mr. *Coward* had employed the Husband since.

*Richard King* said, That, when *Colson* gave his Vote, the Duke of *Richmond* said, There is a Man stands to his Word! And that the Mayor was angry with the Town Clerk, because he did not call the Names in Order: And the Duke of *Bolton* said, Go on.

In order to disqualify several of the Sitting Members Votes, the Petitioner's Counsel called several Witnesses:

Mr. *Matthew Imber*, *Matth. Thompson*, said, That Mr. *Faulkner* and Mr. *Smith* were made free at *St. John-house*, in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-three, after a publick Dinner, at which was the late Duke of *Bolton*; which was not the usual Place of making free; though it was acknowledged, that the Mayor, and other Corporation Officers, had been elected there, but not sworn; and that Freemen had neither been elected nor sworn there.

The Petitioner's Counsel objected to *Ellis Mews*, That he had surrendered his Aldermanship and Freedom; and, upon procuring the Entry, it appeared, that he had surrendered his Aldermanship; but the Words of Surrender of his Freedom were obliterated: And Mr. *Imber* said, He believed that the Words of surrendering his Freedom were in, when he signed the Paper of Surrender; but could not be positive; and that *Mews* had not acted till this Election.

Mr. *John Haley* said, That, about the Middle of March last, the said *Ellis Mews* did declare, That he thought he had, by the Paper he had signed, surrendered his Freedom as well as his Aldermanship.

Mr. *Imber* said, That *Fryer* the Town Clerk was grown poor, and lived in the Hospital of *St. John's*: However, it was acknowledged, that his Place was worth 15*l.* or 20*l.* a Year: And the former Town Clerk lived in the same Place, and put in for his Poverty:

That *Robert Bridges* lives without the Liberty of the City, and is one of the Twenty-four; and that, by the Charter, none but the Citizens were to be of the Twenty-four:

That he believed the Presence of the Three Dukes made People vote otherwise than they would have done, if they had not been there; but they did not give any threatening Words.

Mr. *Good* said, That he never knew any made free, and of the Twenty-four, that did not live in the City.

*Matthew Thompson*, a Serjeant of the Town, said, He voted for the Lord *Wm. Powlet* and Mr. *Tilney*; and would have given Mr. *Tilney* a single Vote, but was afraid he should lose his Place: However, he acknowledged, that nobody in Power had threatened him.

That the Petitioner's Counsel offered to prove, That, as to the Six that voted for the Lord *William Powlet*, their Admittances were not upon stamped Paper; but the same was admitted: And the Sitting Members Counsel insisted, That there were no Admittances on stamped Paper, neither was the same necessary.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel called Two Witnesses; viz. Mr. *Pitman* and Mr. *Richard Mitchell*, with relation to indirect Practices by the Petitioner:

Mr. *Pitman* said, That one Mr. *Garway*, Mr. *Tilney's* Agent, paid to one *Baines* 5*l.*; and told him, He wished him good Luck, and bid him be honest, and the Money should not be asked of him: However, he acknowledged, that there was no Discourse at that time about the Election.

*Richard Mitchell* said, That Mr. *Tilney* and Mr. *Garway* were at his House, several times, to desire his Vote; and that one time Mr. *Tilney* came to his House; and his Man brought Two Bottles of Sack; and Mr. *Tilney*, and his Wife, and he, drank of it: And that, Two or Three Months before the Election, Mr. *Tilney* came to his House, and told him, Mr. *Perdue* had taken 100*l.* a Year of him; but, for the future, he the said *Mitchell* should have his Custom: And came again on *Christmas* Eve; and afterwards again, and discoursed him about Buying of Goods; and told him, he should not trust; and laid down Three Guineas on the Dresser; That Mr. *Tilney*, at the same time asked the said *Mitchell* for his Vote; but he, not promising his Vote, nor their being any Agreement about the Goods, Mr. *Tilney* took up his Guineas again:

That the Lord *William Powlet* said, He had other Witnesses; but thinking it not necessary, he would not trouble the Committee with them.

And, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Lord *William Powlet* is duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Winchester*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *George Rodney Bridges* Esquire is duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Winchester*.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Lord *William Powlet* is duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Winchester*;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Sir William Strickland*, } 154.  
                                  { *Sir Charles Hotham* : }

Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. Bromley*, } 114.  
                                  { *Mr. Freeman* : }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *George Rodney Bridges* Esquire is duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Winchester*.

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Sir Rowland Gwynne also, according to Order, reported from the said Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the Borough of *Honyton*, in the County of *Devon*, and the Resolution of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Upon the Petition of *William Courtney*, Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of Sir *Walter Young*, to serve for the Borough of *Honyton*:

That the Right of Election was agreed to be in the Pot-wallers, not receiving Alms:

That, upon the Poll, there was,

For the Petitioner, 18.

For Sir *Walter Young*, 191.

But the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That the said Sir *Walter Young*, by several Practices, was rendered incapable of Sitting, upon the said Election:

And they called several Witnesses.

Mr. *George Blagdon*, the Portreeve, delivered in the Poll, and said, That Mr. *Ravenhill* did take a Poll, which he supposed, was for Sir *Walter Young*; and that Mr. *Ravenhill*, Mr. *Walters*, Mr. *Saunders*, and others in Sir *Walter Young's* Interest, went from House to House; but he could not say to what Purpose, he not being with them: And said further, That Sir *Walter Young* had served for *Honyton* as long as he could remember; and Two or Three times, without Opposition.

Dr. *James Orchard* said, That he is an Inhabitant of *Honyton*; and that *Knight* and *Clerke*, who had Votes, kept Two Alehouses, opposite to him; and that Six or Seven Days before the Election, he saw *Abraham Thomas* and *William Abbot* give Money to the said *Knight* and *Clerke* to be spent in Drink on such as voted for Sir *Walter Young*; several of which appeared drunk in the Street: That several who voted for Mr. *Sanford*, did appear very merry too; and that he heard the Voters say, They paid nothing for their Drink. Dr. *Orchard* further said, That the said *Knight* and *Clerke* went from House to House; but he did not hear them ask any Votes; and could not say, they were any way related to Sir *Walter Young*.

Mr. *Serle* said, That, Two or Three Days before the Election, Mr. *Ravenhill* came to him, and told him, He admired he would be against his Interest, and not vote for Sir *Walter Young*; and that there was a Place in the Custom-house, that his Brother might have had, if it were not for him; and that himself should have a Place of fourscore Pounds a Year. He further said, That there was great Drinking; and that there were Fourteen or Sixteen Houses that entertained Sir *Walter Young's* Voters; and they said, That Mr. *Ravenhill* and Mr. *Glanville* would see them paid. The said Mr. *Serle* voted for Sir *William Drake* and Mr. *Sandford*.

*James Hunter* said, That he kept a Publick House in *Honyton*; and that Mr. *Ravenhill* and Mr. *Glanville* came to his House a Week before the Election; and he received Eight Shillings of one, and Seven Shillings of the other, to be spent in Drink on Sir *Walter Young's* Voters; several of which carried the Drink home to their Houses:

That the Names of several, who were to drink the Eight Shillings, were set down in a Peace of Paper, and left with him; and that Captain *Wm. Chaplin*, and others, told him, If he would vote for Sir *Walter Young*, they would bring Thirty Men to dine at his House. He further said, That Mr. *Glanville* was a Laceman in *London*, and came down Ten Days before the Election.

*Thomas Barron* said, That he voted for Sir *Walter Young*, and had Six Shillings to draw Six Dozen of Beer to Six of his Neighbours; and that Mr. *Saunders* and Mr. *Ravenhill* were by; and the Names of the Men were wrote down; Five of which voted for Sir *Walter Young* and Sir *William Drake*, and One of them for Mr. *Sandford*: And that the next Day, *Abbot* and *Thomas* said,

They came from Mr. *Granville*, and delivered him Three Shillings to draw out in Beer to Six Men, and Six-pence for himself; and that, besides they had Twelve-pence apiece in Money; and that, the Day before the Election, he had Seven Shillings more from *Abbot* and *Thomas*, to draw out in Drink; and, the same Day, *Thomas* and *Abbot* came to him, and bid him provide Victuals for Six Men; and, in all, he received between 30s. and 40s.: That there was a great Company the Day before, and on the Election Day, drinking at *Lockyer's*, who voted for Sir *Walter Young* and Sir *William Drake*; but he could not tell who paid for it: That, he believed there were Twenty Houses who drew Drink, and entertained such as voted for Sir *Walter Young*; and he believed, in all, there might be 200*l.* spent; but he, said *Barron*, could not tell who it was that employed the Persons that went about; but Mr. *Granville*, Mr. *Thomas*, and *Abbot*, said, It was their own Money that they spent.

Mr. *Wendover* said, That *Abraham Thomas* asked him for his Vote for Sir *Walter Young*, and gave him One Shilling; which he said Mr. *Glanville* sent him.

He also confirmed *Barron's* Evidence, as to Eating and Drinking at *Lockyer's* on the Election Day, and at other Times and Places; and said, He believed, in the Whole, there was 2 or 300*l.* spent: And that the said *Wendover* on the Election Day, talking with *John Cesse*, Sir *Walter Young's* Servant, in the *Dolphin Yard*, *Cesse* said, Let it cost what it would, Sir *Walter* would not lose it: That *Shachley*, the Saturday before the Election, invited him to go to the *George Inn*; but he refused it, because it was Market Day; and afterwards he met the said *Shachley*, who told the said *Wendover*, He had spent Eight or Nine Pounds; and that it had cost him 40*l.* and he would spend 100*l.* rather than Sir *Walter Young* should lose it: And that *Ravenhill*, being asked, by one *Tucker*, what he had got, answered, Six Chancery Suits:

And that *Pulman*, a Servant of Sir *Walter Young's*, did say, He was weary of Drinking; but *Wendover* could not say, that *Pulman* or *Cesse* paid any Money: And that the Reckoning was placed to Mr. *Glanville's* Account.

*Thomas Blackmore* said, That Mr. *Saunders* and Mr. *Clerke* gave *Martin* a Shilling, and bid him take it to his Wife; and they would have had him taken a Shilling; and told him they had put his Name on the Roll; and he, said *Blackmore*, denying to give Sir *Walter Young* his Vote, and *Clerke* said, He should get nothing by it in the End: And *Wendover* and *Blackmore* said, That about Fifty Horse came to *Honyton* the Night before the Election; several of which were Officers in the Militia.

*William Chard* said, That Mr. *Ravenhill*, Mr. *Granville*, and Mr. *Martin*, came to his House on New-year's Day at Night; and *Ravenhill* left Five Shillings, to be drank by Sir *Walter Young's* Voters; and wrote their Names in Chalk on the Table; and some of them had Money, and some Drink: And that Mr. *William Serle*, who belongs to the Custom-house at *Dartmouth*, and whose Wife keeps a public House at *Honyton*, came and voted for Sir *Walter Young*; and gave it as a Reason, because Sir *Walter Young* had helped him to a Place: That several of Sir *Walter Young's* Voters drank at *Serle's* House; but the Witness could not say at whose Charge.

The Counsel for the Sitting Member, Sir *Walter Young*, insisted, That Sir *Walter Young* was a Man of undoubted Interest in *Honyton*, having served in Seven Parliaments, and in most of them without Dispute: That, a little after Sir *Walter Young* came down, the Taps were set to run by Mr. *Sandford*; and that Mr. *Glanville* came accidentally from *London*, upon his own Occasions, being a Laceman; and what Money was spent, was out of his imprudent Zeal of such Persons as had a Respect for their old Burgesses, for Services they had done for the Town; especially with relation to the Lace Act: And they called several Witnesses.

Mr. *Richard Saunders* said, That, about Ten Days before the Election, 140 or 150 Voters went out of the Town voluntarily to meet Sir *Walter Young*; and that, after



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Election.

after it was talked, that Sir *Walter Young* would be opposed, he went about the Town to know who would be voluntarily for Sir *Walter Young*; and he took an Account of Nine Score: That the Morning of the Election, the greatest Part of the Voters met on the Cornhill; and it being rainy snowy Weather, many of the Voters went into Houses; and he himself went into *Lockyer's*; but he neither eat nor drank there.

*John Waters* said, That, before the Election, he, and others, took several Parts of the Town, and went about to inquire who were for Sir *Walter Young*; and, in the lower Part of the Town, which he went to, there were Three Score that declared themselves for Sir *Walter Young*.

*Jos. Ashton* said, That Mr. *Courtney* desired his Vote for Mr. *Sandford*; and the said Mr. *Courtney*, not being able to prevail upon him, was in a great Passion: and said he would tell his Father.

*Abraham Mathews* said, He was raised a Groat a Week in his Standing, because he voted for Sir *Walter Young*; and that he had lost some Persons Custom for voting for Sir *Walter Young*:

That several of Mr. *Courtney's* Voters eat and drank at *Elmes' House*, to the Value of Thirty Pound, as he believed; and afterwards he told *Elmes* of it; who said, He gave it freely: Which *Elmes*, the Witness said, was the principal Man that voted for Mr. *Courtney*.

*John Crout* said, That one *Scourse*, who belonged to Major *Drew*, a Justice of Peace, came the Night before the Election, and gave him a Pint of Wine; and told him If he did not vote for Mr. *Sandford*, it would disoblige his Master; and, if he came before his Master, there should be no Justice:

And that *William Wendover*, a Fortnight after the Election, upon a Discourse that there was like to be a Petition against Sir *Walter Young*, declared, That he could say nothing against Sir *Walter Young*; and that no Man was sworn before the Committee; and it was no more than telling a Lye.

*Robert Viney* said, That Major *Drew's* Clerk asked him, If he had any Money to be for Sir *Walter Young*? and though he had not any on that account, yet Major *Drew's* Clerk would have had him put his Hand to a Paper, acknowledging, That he had received Money.

*Jos. Martin*, a Sadler, said, That the Day before the Election, he was asked by Sir *John Poole*, and others, for his Vote; and not voting as they would have him, they paid him his Bills; and he hath since lost their Custom.

*Philip Lowman* said, That Major *Drew* sent for him, and asked him, If he had any Money to be for Sir *Walter Young*? and he told him, That he had not: However, Major *Drew's* Clerk would have had him put his Hand to a Paper, That he had received Two Shillings. It appeared, that the Petitioner did not, at any time before the Election, declare he would stand.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to this Resolution;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir *Walter Young* Baronet is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Honyton*, in the County of *Devon*.

The said Resolution being read a Second time.

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Sir *Walter Young* Baronet is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Honyton*, in the County of *Devon*;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Walsh*,  
                                  { Mr. *Roberts*: } 146.

Tellers for the Noes, { Colonel *Granville*,  
                                  { Mr. *Scobell*: } 121.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Privilege.

Sir *Rowland Gwynne* also, according to Order, reported, from the said Committee of Privileges and Elections, the

Matter, as it appeared to them, upon the Complaint of the Breach of Privilege against *James Herbert* Esquire, and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the Complaint made to the House, That *Edward Oliver* junior, *Thomas Terry*, *John Terry*, and *George Briggs*, have entered upon the Lands of *James Herbert* Esquire, in the County of *Kent*, and taken away Copperas Stones from off the same, in Breach of the Privilege of this House:

That the Committee have examined several Witnesses in relation to that Matter; viz.

*John Kennard* said, That he knew the Estate where the Stones were picked; and that he held the Ground of Mr. *Herbert*; and that his Father, and himself, had paid Rent for it Eighteen Years to Mr. *Herbert*.

Mr. *Gustavus Mell* said, That he received Rent for Mr. *Herbert*, of *Kennard*, for the said Ground; and had sold the Stones for Mr. *Herbert* several Years: That he had forewarned the Persons against Picking off the Copperas Stones from Mr. *Herbert's* Ground; and did know in fact, that they were carried away; but could not speak as to the Persons complained against, he not being present when the Fact was done.

*Stephen Taplin* said, That himself, and Goodman *Terry's* Wife and Family carried the Stones from Mr. *Herbert's* Ground, and mixed them with the Stones on Mr. *Guidott's* Ground; and that *Thomas Terry*, *John Terry*, and *George Briggs*, were present when the Stones were carried from Mr. *Guidott's* Ground, and put into the Boat.

*Mary Milksted* said, That *Taplin*, and Goody *Terry*, and herself, carried Stones off Mr. *Herbert's* Ground to Mr. *Guidott's*: That Goodman *Terry* knew his Wife picked the Stones off Mr. *Herbert's* Ground; for that he had seen them do it several times; and he paid for the picking of some of them no longer ago than the 15th of May last.

*Mary Kinsfoot*, said, She had seen Goodman *Terry's* Servant and Children gather Stones from Mr. *Herbert's* Ground within Six Weeks.

*Stephen Taplin*, said, That *Edward Oliver's* Hoy, which carried away the said Stones, lay against Mr. *Herbert's* Lands.

*Charles Waste* said, That, by virtue of a Power given him from Mr. *Herbert*, he seized these Stones to Mr. *Herbert's* Use, upon Mr. *Herbert's* Manor; but he did not know upon whose Ground; and discharged them from taking away the said Stones.

*Edward Gilbert* said, That he had seen Captain *Terry's* Son and Daughter pick them; and they were afterwards carried away by Captain *Terry* to *Oliver's* Hoy, in Carts.

*Henry Addis* said, That he had rented the Profit of these Stones of Mr. *Herbert*, for his Master's Use; and that he paid on the First Lease, Fifty Pounds a Year, and, on the Second Lease, Sixty Pounds a Year; both which Leases were expired.

Mr. *Mell* said, That he had sold these Copperas Stones for Two hundred Thirteen Pounds a Year, clear of all Charges.

That the Counsel for the Persons complained against, insisted, That, upon the Evidence given, it appearing that these Stones carried away were mixed with Mr. *Guidott's*, the Property of them all became Mr. *Guidott's*; and that they had forewarned the Pickers to take Stones from Mr. *Herbert's* Ground: And called,

*Edward Metham*: Who said, That Mr. *Guidott*, about Three Years ago, did forewarn *Taplin* and *Milksted* not to pick any Stones from Mr. *Herbert's* Ground.

*Elizabeth Kennard* said, That this Freight had been gathering almost Twelve Months; and that she heard *Stephen Terry*, Two Years ago, forewarn *Taplin* and *Milksted* from picking any Stones off Mr. *Herbert's* Ground.

And



And that the Committee came to these Resolutions ;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Thomas Terry*, by his Wife, Children, and Servants, hath gathered a Parcel of Copperas Stones upon Mr. *Herbert's* Land, and carried them to Mr. *Guidott's*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the said *Thomas Terry*, having done so, is guilty of a Breach of the Privilege of this House.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said *Thomas Terry* be, for the said Breach of Privilege, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majesty, for defraying the Expence of the Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions.

Ways and  
Means.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, be made upon *Friday* Morning next.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till *Friday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 30° die Maii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

Army  
Debt.

**A**PETITION of *Thomas Viscount Twiot, John Lord Strathnaver, David Lord Portmore*, and other Colonels of *Scotch* Regiments, who, during the late War, served in *Flanders* upon the *English* Establishment, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, several Assignments, made by the Petitioners, according to the Direction of the said Establishment, out of the Pay of their respective Regiments to the Clothiers, who cloathed the same, are yet unpaid; for which the Petitioners are daily threatened to be prosecuted, as a Debt due from themselves: That it has not been the Petitioners Faults, that the said Assignments have not been paid; but hath been occasioned by the disbanding some of the said Regiments, and by transferring others into the Service of other States, before the Proportion of the Soldiers Pay could amount to a Sum sufficient to discharge the same: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of several Colonels of the Army, in behalf of themselves, and others, is referred.

Ditto.

A Petition of *James Young Mercer* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, in the Year 1698, cloathed Colonel *Edward Colt's* Regiment, Part of which was Marines; so that one Part of their Arrears is to be paid by the Treasury, and the other by the Admiralty: That there is Eight hundred Pounds of the Cloathing Money in the Treasury; Assignments for the same being now in Lord *Runelagh's* Office: That the Petitioner hath often applied himself to the said Colonel in his Life-time, and, since his Death, to Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, his Executor; but hath received no Satisfaction: And praying the Consideration of this House, and Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, till the Report of the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

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A Petition of *Mark Bagott* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the late Duke of *Ormond*, being seised in Fee of the Lands of *Mount Arran*, settled the same upon *Richard* late Earl of *Arran*, for Life, with a Power to make Leases for Twenty-one Years, or Three Lives; with Remainders to his Sons in Tail Male; Remainder to the present Duke of *Ormond*; with Remainders over: That the said Earl, being so seised of the said Lands, leased the same for Three Lives to the Petitioner's Father, *John Bagott*: That, upon the Petitioner's Inter-marriage, the said *John* settled the said Lease on the Petitioner, after his own Life, who is since dead; and the Three Lives are still in Being: That, if the Bill now being before this House, intituled, An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Creditors of the late Duke of *Ormond*, and of the present Duke, doth pass, without an Amendment, or Saving of the Petitioner's Right in the said Lease, the Petitioner will lose the Benefit thereof: And praying, That, in regard the said Lease is the Petitioner's Property, which his Father hath considerably improved, and paid a Fine to secure the same to the Petitioner, a Clause may be inserted in the said Bill, for saving of the Petitioner's said Right to the said Lease.

*Ordered*, That the Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Mr. *Harcourt* reported from the said Committee, That they had examined the Allegations contained in the said Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the said Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

The Bill was read the Third time.

And an ingrossed Clause being offered as a Rider, on the Behalf of Mr. *Bagott*;

The Question was put, That the said Clause be received: And it passed in the Negative.

Then several Amendments were proposed to be made; And the same were upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Pr. 19. L. 45, 46. leave out "Countess Dowager of *Arran*, and:" And

L. 46. after "*Cornwallis*," leave out "or One of them."

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Harcourt* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Bill, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Freke* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bray* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill for the erecting Hospitals and Work-houses within the Borough of *King's-Lynn*, in the County of *Norffolke*, for the better Employing and Maintaining the Poor there, be read the Third time upon *Tuesday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock.

Lynn Work-  
house.

*Ordered*, That the Thanks of this House be given to Dr. *Atterbury* for the Sermon by him preached before this House Yesterday at *St. Margaret's, Westminster*: And that he be desired to print the same: And that Mr. *Bromley* and Mr. *Harcourt* do acquaint him therewith.

Dr. Atter-  
bury thanked.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 31° die Maii;*

13° *Willielmi*, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

St. Martin's  
Parish  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill for improving the Ground belonging to *St. Martin's* Parish was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the better improving a certain Piece of Ground in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*; and for other the Purposes therein mentioned.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cross* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Hertford  
County  
Gaol.

An ingrossed Bill for removing the County Gaol of *Hertford* was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for removing the County Gaol of *Hertford*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Gulston* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Deane's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill for the Sale of the Estate of *James Deane*; and for securing the Money raised thereby, for the Benefit of himself and Family, according to the Settlement thereof; was read the Third time.

And an Amendment being proposed to be made to the Bill.

Pr. 5. L. 39. after "*Vernhills*," to insert "together with *Botley Coppice*, enjoyed with the said capital Messuage called *Oxewood*;"

The same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Sale of the Estate of *James Deane*; and for securing the Monies raised thereby, for the Benefit of himself and Family, according to the Settlement thereof.

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Cornbury* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Army  
Debts.

A Petition of divers Officers, Clothiers, and others, willing to purchase forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners being interested in Arrears of Pay, and Cloathing the Army, and also possessed of Transport Debentures, Malt Tickets, and other Species, directed by Act of Parliament to be taken in Payment for the Purchase of the said Estates; which, to dispose of at the present Discount, would ruin many of the Petitioners; That it seems very difficult for the Petitioners to become single Purchasers, with their separate Effects, not only in respect of the great Trouble and Expence each Person must be at, in making particular and distinct Purchases, but that Purchases can never be found, suitable either to the Abilities of the Petitioners, or to the Species they are separately possessed

of: Therefore the Petitioners, and others, are desirous to become joint Purchasers, and have subscribed about Two hundred and Sixty thousand Pounds, and deposited the greatest Part thereof in the several Species aforesaid: That they are sensible many Difficulties may arise, and attend such joint Purchasers, in regard the same must be taken in Trust; whereby they will not be so capable of disposing their respective Estates, or sue, or be sued, as if they were empowered to act in a politick Capacity: And praying, That Leave may be given for bringing in a Bill for an Incorporation, for the Purposes aforesaid; with such Powers and Limitations as this House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that the Lord *Cutts* do prepare, and bring in, the same.

Mr. *Pitfeild* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for naturalizing *Archibald Arthur*, and enabling him to settle his Estate, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true; and had made an Amendment to the Bill; and had directed him to report the same to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Mr. *Ogle* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for continuing the Acts therein mentioned, for preventing Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of *England*, was committed, That they had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That the Act may be pleaded as a publick Act:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Ogle* also reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for continuing an Act to prevent false and double Returns of Members to serve in Parliament was committed, That they had made an Amendment to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendment, be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill to enable the Sale of some Parts of the Estates of *Rawlin Mallock* Esquire, deceased, for discharging the Monies, Debts, and Charges thereupon, was read the Third time:

And an ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, on the Behalf of Sir *John Collins*:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be received;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable the Sale of the Estate of *Rawlin Mallock* Esquire, deceased, for discharging the Monies, Debts, and Charges thereupon.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hoblyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Petition of Colonel *William Seymour*, Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, Administrators to Colonel *Edward Dutton Colt*, Colonel *Harry Mordaunt*, and Colonel *Thomas Brudenell*, on behalf of themselves, and the rest of the Officers

Officers of the Four late Marine Regiments, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, out of the Two Marine Regiments, commanded by the Marquis of *Carmarthen* and Sir *Cloudesty Shovell*, and Three Regiments of Foot, commanded by Colonel *Seymour*, Colonel *Colt*, and Colonel *Mordaunt*, were formed Four Regiments of Marines, for the Sea Service, the 1st of August 1698; which, from the Time they were put upon that Establishment, were weekly paid their Subsistence by Imprest Bills from the Navy Board, charged on the Funds for Sea Service, till the 19th of May 1699, when they were disbanded: That Colonel *Mordaunt* and Colonel *Brudenell's* Regiments, since they were disbanded, have been likewise paid out of the same Funds, by the Navy Board, the Off-reckonings for cloathing their said Two Regiments, whilst they were continued on that Foot: That there remains due, to clear the Officers and Clothiers of Colonel *Seymour's* Regiment, 3,105*l.* 13*s.* 7*d.*; to Colonel *Colt's* Regiment, 3,192*l.* 9*s.* 1*d.*; to the Officers of Colonel *Mordaunt's* Regiment, 1,525*l.* 13*s.* 5*d.*; to Colonel *Brudenell's* Regiment, 1,399*l.* 2*s.* 7*d.*; in all, 9,223*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.*; as appears by the Auditor of the Imprest Report, now lying before the Lords of the Treasury; to whom, and the Commissioners of the Navy, the Petitioners have applied themselves for the said Sum; who seem doubtful on what Head for Sea Service to charge the Payment thereof: And praying, That this House will be pleased to declare on what Fund the said Sums may be charged, for the speedy Payment of the Petitioners, and others concerned.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of several Colonels of the Army, in behalf of themselves, and others, was referred.

Leave of  
Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Northmore* have Leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Box's  
Divorce.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Ralph Box* with *Elizabeth Eyre*; and to enable him to marry again; was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chace* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

Answer to  
Lords Mes-  
sages re-  
specting Im-  
peachments.

Mr. *Bromley* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to draw up the Articles of Impeachment, and who were to consider of the Messages from the Lords, relating to the former Impeachments, and inspect the Precedents of Messages in relation to former Impeachments, and report the same to the House; That they had considered the said Messages, and inspected the Precedents: And that they had drawn up an Answer to the Message from the Lords, the Twenty-first Instant; and had directed him to report the same to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

IN Answer to your Lordships Message, of the Twenty-first Instant, the Commons have prepared a Replication to the Earl of *Orford's* Answer to the Articles of Impeachment of high Crimes and Misdemeanors, exhibited against him; and, at present, defer bringing it up to your Lordships, because, in the Tryal of the several Impeachments now depending, the Commons think it most proper, from the Nature of the Evidence that will be given at the said Tryals, to begin with the Tryal of the Impeachment of *John Lord Sommers*, of high Crimes and Misdemeanors.

And, as to your Lordships other Message, the Commons take it to be without Precedent, and unparliamentary; they, as Prosecutors, having a Liberty to exhibit their Articles of Impeachment in due time, of which they, who are to prepare them, are the proper Judges:

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And therefore, for your Lordships to assert, That having not yet exhibited particular Articles against *William Earl of Portland*, and *Charles Lord Halifax*, is a Hardship to them, and not agreeable to the usual Methods and Proceedings in Parliament in such Cases, does, as they conceive, tend to the Breach of that good Correspondence betwixt the Two Houses, which ought to be mutually preserved.

Resolved, That the House doth agree, That the said Answer be returned to the Lords, to their Lordships said Message.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bromley* do carry the said Answer to the Lords.

Sir *Bartholomew Shower* also reported from the said Committee, That they had drawn up a Replication to the Answer of the Lord *Sommers* to the Articles of Impeachment exhibited against him; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth: viz.

The Commons have considered the Answer of *John Lord Sommers* to the Articles of Impeachment exhibited against him by the Knights . . . and Burgesses assembled in Parliament, for high Crimes and Misdemeanors: The said Commons do aver their Charge against the said Lord *Sommers* to be true; and do say, That he is guilty in the Manner he stands accused and impeached: And the said Commons will be ready to prove the same at such convenient Time as shall be appointed for that Purpose.

Ordered, That the said Replication be ingrossed.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bulkly* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Leave of  
Absence.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That he had, according to their Order, laid before his Majesty their Resolutions concerning the Waste made in *Enfield Chace*.

Enfield  
Chace.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Hoskyns* and Sir *Robert Legard*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, an Act for naturalizing *Peter Bagnell*, *Daniel Senault*, and others: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

Bagnell's  
&c. Nat.

The Lords have agreed to a Bill, intituled, an Act for the Recovering, Securing, and Keeping in Repair, the Harbour of *Minehead*, for the Benefit and Support of the Navigation and Trade of this Kingdom, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

Minehead  
Harbour.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *William Vaughan* Esquire, and *Frances Vaughan*, his intended Wife, being both under the Age of One-and-twenty Years, to perform Articles made for their Marriage, without any Amendments. Also,

Vaughan's  
Marriage  
Articles.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to a Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Adrian Lofland*, and others: And also,

Lofland's,  
&c. Nat.

To the Amendments, made by this House, to a Bill, intituled, An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Creditors of *James* late Duke of *Ormond*, and of the present Duke of *Ormond*. Also,

Duke of  
Ormond's  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, an Act for the Vesting and Settling several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, belonging to *John Fawconer* Esquire, in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts: Also,

Fawconer's  
Estate.

That the Lords have commanded them to acquaint this House, That their Lordships have appointed *Monday* the Ninth Day of June next for the Tryal of *Edward Earl of Orford*, upon the Articles brought against him by this House, in *Westminster-hall*: And that this House may reply, if they think fit: Also,

Earl of Or-  
ford's Im-  
peachment.

That the Lords have commanded them to acquaint this House, That this House having, on the First Day of April last,

Earl of Port-  
land's, &c.  
Impeach-  
ment.

last, sent up to their Lordships an Impeachment against *William Earl of Portland*, for high Crimes and Misdemeanors; and having also, on the Fifteenth Day of the same Month, impeached *Charles Lord Halifax* for high Crimes and Misdemeanors; and there being, as yet, no particular Articles exhibited against the said Lords; their Lordships think themselves obliged to put this House in mind thereof; which, after Impeachments have so long depended, is a Hardship to the Persons concerned, and not agreeable to the usual Methods of Parliament in such Cases.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Resolved*, That an Answer be returned to the said Message, relating to the appointing a Time for the Tryal of the Earl of *Orford*; and to the Articles of Impeachment against the Earl of *Portland*, and Lord *Halifax*; That this House will return an Answer by Messengers of their own.

And the Messengers were called in again; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to consider of the said Messages; and to search Precedents in relation thereunto; and to draw up an Answer to be returned to the Lords:

And it is referred to the Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, Sir *Christopher Musgrave*, Mr. *Pultney*, Dr. *Davenant*, Mr. *Birch*, Sir *Joseph Jekyll*, Sir *Tho. Littleton*, Mr. *Hopkins*, Sir *Barth. Shower*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Cox*, Sir *John Leveson Gower*, Mr. *Monckton*, Mr. *Jennings*, Colonel *Byerly*, Lord *Coningsby*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Shackerley*, Mr. *Winnington*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Fleming*, Lord *Wm. Powlet*, Mr. *Clarke*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Prideaux*, Mr. *Gorges*, Sir *Rowland Gwynne*, Mr. *Dowdswell*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *Walter Young*, Mr. *Randyll*, Sir *Charles Hotham*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. *Musgrave*, Sir *Richard Cox*, Mr. *Meredith*, Mr. *Eyre*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Sir *Henry Lyddall*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Hammond*, Sir *John Cotton*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Smith*, Sir *Tho. Mackworth*, Mr. *Boyle*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Palmes*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Lee*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber: And are to sit de die in diem.

Call of the House.

*Ordered*, That the House be called over upon *Monday* Sevensnight.

*Ordered*, That such Members as shall not then attend the Service of the House, be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That no Member of this House do presume to go out of Town without Leave of the House.

*Ordered*, That no Leave be asked for any Member to go out of Town, but between the Hours of Twelve and One a Clock.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do write circular Letters to the respective Sheriffs of *England* and *Wales*, to summon the Members who are in the Country, to attend the Service of the House upon *Monday* the Ninth Day of June next.

The Form of which Letter was;

From the House of Commons, 31<sup>o</sup> Maii 1701.

Sir,

THE House of Commons having taken Notice of the Absence of several of their Members, I am commanded to acquaint you with it, that you may give immediate Summons to all the Members of this House, Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, within your County, to attend their Service in Parliament on *Monday* the Ninth Day of June next, notwithstanding any Leave for Absence; the House of Commons intending to proceed further, with all Severity, against all such of their Members, as shall then neglect their Attendance: And you are to give an Account of the Receipt of this, and what you have done thereupon, unto,

Sir,

Your humble Servant.

A Bill for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Duties upon Salt; and for collecting the same with less Charge to the Publick; was read the first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

The House being informed, That the Trustees for the *Irish Forfeitures* in *England* were at the Door;

They were called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House a Paper relating to their Proceedings upon the Petitions to them referred: And the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

To the Honourable the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, in Parliament assembled:

May it please your Honours,

IN Obedience to your Orders of the Nineteenth of this instant May, requiring us to state Matters of Fact only, on the several Petitions relating to the *Irish Forfeitures*; and to report the same to your Honours; and that we should, with all Expedition, from time to time, transmit our Reports on the said Petitions respectively to the Clerk of this Honourable House;

We have, with utmost Diligence and Duty, pursuant to the said Orders, examined the several Facts, on such of the said Petitions as were delivered us, in such manner as we were capable of examining the same; and, where the Facts were within our Knowledge, and whereof we had certain Proof, we have reported the same accordingly.

As to other Matters, whereof the Proof lies in *Ireland*, and we could only hear *ex parte*, without administering an Oath, we have laid before your Honours such Proofs thereof, as have been offered us; and have annexed thereto such Affidavits, and other Papers, as the Petitioners produced before us, and affirmed to be true; which we have made Part of the Report, to the End your Honours may be duly apprised of the Evidence, whereon we have grounded our respective Reports.

We further crave Leave to acquaint your Honours, That we have given Copies of our Reports to such of the Petitioners as demanded them, that they might have an Opportunity of making further Proof of the Allegations of their Petitions; and to prevent your Honours receiving any Complaints, that we kept them in Ignorance of the Contents thereof.

All which is humbly submitted, &c.

*H. Sheres,*  
*Fra. Amesley,*  
*John Trenchard.*

And then they withdrew.

And the House proceeded to take into Consideration what is proper to be done in relation to the said Petitions, and Reports thereupon.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That all the Petitions, presented to the House relating to the *Irish Forfeitures*, be referred to the Trustees in *Ireland*, to examine, upon Oath, the Matter of Fact; and represent the same to the House, at the Beginning of the next Session of Parliament;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by adding, after "Forfeitures," these Words; "except such Cases as are certified under the Hands of all the Twelve Trustees:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made, by adding afterwards these Words; "and except such of the said Petitions, as the *Irish* Trustees in *England* have certified the Matters of Fact to be true:"

And the Question being put, That the said Words be added to the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Mr. Woodroff,	}	128.
	{ Sir Theoph. Oglethorp:		
Tellers for the Noes,	{ Sir Thomas Travell,	}	65.
	{ Mr. Birch:		

So



So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Resolved*, That all the Petitions presented to the House, relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, except such Cases as are certified under the Hands of all the Trustees, and except such of the said Petitions as the *Irish* Trustees in *England* have certified the Matters of Fact to be true; be referred to the Trustees in *Ireland*, to examine, upon Oath, the Matter of Fact; and represent the same to the House at the Beginning of the next Session of Parliament.

*Ordered*, That all the Petitions and Reports be referred to a Committee, to separate the same, according to the said Resolution:

And it is referred to Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, Mr. *Hervey*, Sir *Tho. Mackworth*, Lord *Powlett*, Sir *Tho. Meers*, Mr. *Ja. Bridges*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Walsh*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Poultney*, Mr. *Brewer*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Mr. *Cecill*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Lord *Cutts*, Mr. *Graham*, Sir *John Leveson Gower*, Sir *Walter Young*, Mr. *Clerke*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Rowney*, Sir *Edward Turner*, Lord *Hyde*, Sir *Theoph. Oglethorp*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Rayner*, Lord *Conningsby*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *How*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Dr. *Davenant*, Mr. *Gauntlett*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Sir *Bryan Stapleton*, Sir *Tho. Wagstaffe*, Mr. *Brotherton*, Mr. *Walcott*, Mr. *Thynn*, Mr. *Jervoise*, Mr. *Dyott*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Wm. Bridges*, Sir *Geo. Hungerford*, Lord *Cornbury*, Sir *Jeffrey Jeffreys*, Mr. *Woodroff*, Sir *Henry Lyddell*, Sir *Charles Hedges*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Pendarvis*, Sir *Humph. Mackworth*, Mr. *Godolphin*, Mr. *Churchill*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *John Cotton*, Sir *Tho. Tracall*, Mr. *Marks*, Mr. *Dryden*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Roberts*: And all that come are to have Voices: And they are to meet upon *Monday* next, at Five a Clock in the Afternoon: And are to sit *de die in diem*.

Stout's  
Petition.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Petition of *Mary Stout*, formerly presented to the House, be read, upon *Thursday* Morning next, in a full House;

It passed in the Negative.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition be read upon this Day *Sevensnight*;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *Mary Stout* be read upon *Wednesday* come *Sevensnight*.

Preservation  
of Protestant  
Religion.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day *Fortnight*, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the better Preservation of the Protestant Religion; and for preventing the Translation of Bishops from one See to another.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Luna*, 2<sup>o</sup> die *Junii*;

13<sup>o</sup> *Gulielmi Tertii*, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

Dillon's  
Divorce.

*RESOLVED*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for dissolving the Marriage of Sir *John Dillon* with *Mary Boyle*; and for other Purposes therein mentioned.

Bigg's Estate.

Sir *John Kay* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable *Richard Bigg* to charge Part of his Estate, in the County of *Hertford*, with the Payment of his Debts, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards

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delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of *William Fownds* and *Ephraim Dawson*, Army in behalf of the Non-commissioned Officers, and private Horsemen, of the late *Enniskillin* Regiment, that was commanded by Brigadier *Wil. Wolseley*, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Accounts of the said Regiment, for their Service in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety, and One thousand Six hundred Ninety-one, are stated by the late Commissioners of Accounts; and the Balances due to the Commissioned Officers certified; and Debentures issued by the Paymaster for the same; and the Balances due to the Non-commissioned Officers, and private Horsemen, of each Troop, noted upon the respective Captains Certificates: But the Words in the late Act for delivering out of Debentures expressing only for Commissioned Officers, the Debentures for the Balances of the Non-commissioned Officers and private Horsemen's Pay cannot be obtained: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises; and to direct, That a Clause may be inserted for authorizing the Commissioners of Accounts, and the Paymaster General, to issue Certificates and Debentures for the Balances due to the Non-commissioned Officers, and private Troopers, as aforesaid.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the better settling and preserving the Library kept in the House at *Westminster*, called *Cotton-house*, in the Name and Family of the *Cottons*, for the Benefit of the Publick, without any Amendments: And also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for erecting a Court of Requests, or Conscience, in the City and County of the City of *Norwich*, for Recovery of small Debts under Forty Shillings, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Right Honourable *Elizabeth Lady Bulkely* to sell certain Lands in the County of *Devon*, and City and County of the City of *Exon*, for the Payment of Debts:

And the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; *viz.*

In the Title, instead of "Lady," read "Viscountess;" and, after "*Bulkeley*," add "of *Cashells*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Vaughan* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House had agreed to the said Amendments.

Mr. *Carter*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to *Greenwich* Hospital: And the same was received.

The Lord *Cornbury* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of *Humphrey Hide* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, for raising Portions for his younger Children, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations in the Bill contained, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and

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and



And that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

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New Way  
to Lincoln's-  
inn-fields.

Mr. Brotherton, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for satisfying the Deficiency of the Monies for making the Way out of *Chancery-lane* into *Lincoln's-inn-fields*: And the same was received.

Arthur's  
Nat.

An ingrossed Bill for naturalizing *Archibald Arthur*; and enabling him to settle and dispose of his Estate; was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for naturalizing *Archibald Arthur*; and enabling him to settle and dispose of his Estate.

Ordered, That Mr. Pitfield do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Duchy of  
Cornwall  
Leases.

A Bill to enable his Majesty to make Grants, Leases, and Copies, of Offices, Lands, and Hereditaments, Parcel of his Duchy of *Cornwall*, or annexed to the same; and for Confirmation of Leases and Grants already made; was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Hoblin, Sir Robert Davers, Mr. Harley, Mr. Shackerly, Mr. Gower, Sir John Philips, Mr. Brotherton, Sir Geo. Hungerford, Mr. England, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Birch, Sir John Kay, Lord Wm. Powlett, Sir Richard Temple, Mr. Hopkins, Lord Marquis of Hartington, Mr. Yates, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Rowney, Mr. Blofeild, Mr. Eyre, Mr. Rayner, Mr. Owen, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. Randy, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Bulkley, Mr. Cox, Mr. Walpole; and all that serve for the Counties of *Devon*, *Cornwall*, and *Lincoln*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they inquire into what Grants have been made contrary to the last Act.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

The Lord Cutts, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for erecting a Corporation for the purchasing the *Irish* forfeited Estates: And the same was received.

Sale of Lands  
in South  
Pickenham.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the vesting and settling certain Manors and Lands in *South Pickenham*, and other Places, in the County of *Norfolk*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for laying out the Monies arising by Sale thereof, in the Purchase of other Lands, to be settled to such and the same Uses as the said Manors and Lands, so to be vested are and stand settled; was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir William Hustler do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

Minehead  
Harbour.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill intituled, An Act for the recovering, securing, and keeping in Repair, the Harbour of *Minehead*, for the Benefit and Support of the Navigation and Trade of this Kingdom:

And the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

3 Skin, 2 Line, after "Sum," add "of."

39 L. leave out "or either."

43 L. after "Trustees," add "or the major Part of them."

8 Skin, 37 L. leave out the interlined Word "been."

Ordered, That Sir Jacob Banks do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments.

A Petition of *Jonathan Langley* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner raised and commanded a Company of One hundred Men in the Regiment commanded by the Honourable Colonel *Francis Russell*, late Governor of *Barbadoes*; and served in that Island from the first going over of the said Regiment, being First Captain; and for great Part of the Time, was obliged to support his own Men out of his own Pocket and Credit, Returns being very difficult and uncertain, by reason of the late War with *France*; and was twice taken Prisoner by the *French* in his Return, and lost that little he had got by that troublesome Voyage; and, procuring the Ship, in which he was taken, to be ransomed, was, under God, the Instrument of preventing both the *West-India* and *Virginia* Fleets from being made Prisoners by the *French*, by giving seasonable Advice to their Excellencies the then Lords Justices: And praying he may be inserted in the List of Officers in Half-pay, to commence from the Disbanding of the said Regiment; and be otherwise considered for his Services and Losses, as shall be thought most fit.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay, shall be made.

A Petition of *William Adams* Gentleman was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was appointed Ensign to Captain *Ledowick Carlisle* his Company of Foot, in the Regiment commanded by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Drogheda* in *Ireland*, the Sixteenth of September One thousand Six hundred Eighty-nine; and served therein till the said Regiment was broke: That the Petitioner's Brother, Lieutenant *Thomas Adams*, was slain in the said Regiment at the Siege of *Carrickfergus* in *Ireland*; to whom there was, and is yet, due the Sum of Thirty-eight Pounds Five Shillings, both for his Pay, and also for furnishing his Company with Stockings and Shoes: Which Monies are due to the Petitioner, as Heir and Administrator to his said Brother: That the Petitioner hath, ever since, served his Majesty as a Volunteer, in Hopes of Preferment, both in *Flanders* and *England*, and now belongs to his Majesty's Regiment of Foot Guards: That by virtue of his Commission, he humbly hopes, he is within the Intentions of the House for Half-pay, until otherwise provided for: And praying, That he may be inserted in the List of Half-pay.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay, shall be made.

A Petition of Captain *William Folchier Despierres* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner served his Majesty, in *Scotland*, as Captain in the Regiment of Foot commanded by the Honourable Sir *William Douglas* as Colonel, from the Time of the first raising that Regiment, until the Tenth of December One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven: That having had no Allowance, nor Half-pay, he hath contracted Debts for his Subsistence: And praying the House to grant, That he may be inserted in the List of Officers, and intituled to Half-pay, until otherwise provided for.

Resolved, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report of the Committee, unto whom it was referred to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay, shall be made.

A Petition of *Thomas Holmden*, and others, Administrators, with the Will annexed, of *Antony Smith*, Mariner, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Thomas Bromhall*, in One thousand Six hundred Seventy-seven, did borrow of the said *Smith* Five hundred Pounds; and for Security thereof, did mortgage to him some Lands, which he held, at the Rent of Forty Pounds per Annum, of the Mayor and Burgesses of *Shrewsbury*; and a Lease of a small House in *London*: That about Three Years after, *Bromhall* died, having, by his Will, given the Equity

Half-pay.

Ditto.

Ditto.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

Equity of Redemption of the Premises to his Wife and Executrix: Whereupon, the said *Smith* did afterwards, for a further Sum paid to her, purchase of her the same; and was put into Possession thereof: That, Two Years after *Smith's* Purchase, the said Lands were extended, upon a Recognizance of One thousand Six hundred Pounds, which *Bromhall* had, about Thirteen Years before the Purchase, entered into for Security of Money given to a Charity; and, upon that Extent, the said *Smith* was forced, in the Year One thousand Six hundred Eighty-three, to pay to one *Edw. Kinnaston* Esquire, Four hundred Twenty-five Pounds more; upon which, the said Recognizance, by a Decree of the Court of Chancery, was assigned to *Smith*: That, *Bromhall* being, in his Life-time, and at his Death, seised of the Inheritance of the Office of Warden of the *Fleet*, the Prison-houses and Shops thereunto belonging, which were affected by the said Recognizance; but were by him pre-mortgaged to one *Henry Norwood* Esquire; *Smith* thereupon exhibited his Bill in Chancery against the said *Norwood*, and others, to have the said Four hundred Twenty-five Pounds, and Interest, paid out of the said Office; and, in One thousand Six hundred Eighty-five, *Smith* obtained a Decree to redeem *Norwood*, who had the First Mortgage, and to have all *Smith's* said Money, and Demands, out of the said Office, after *Norwood* was satisfied his Mortgage-money: That, in One thousand Six hundred and Ninety-two, there being a Bill in this House, which passed into an Act, for Sale of the said Office and Houses, on behalf of the Heir of the said *Bromhall*, *Smith*, upon his Petition, had his Claim to the said Office and Houses saved to him in the said Act, by a Proviso therein: That also, in One thousand Six hundred Ninety-six, there being another Bill in this House, which passed into an Act, for the more effectual Relief of Creditors, in Cases of Escapes; and for preventing Abuses in Prisons, and pretended privileged Places; the said *Smith*, upon his Petition, had his, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, Claim to the said Office and Houses particularly saved to him, and them, by a Proviso in that Act: That the Petitioners are informed, there is now a Bill depending before the House, to regulate the said Prison of the *Fleet*; in which there is no saving Clause for the Petitioners Right, as they are informed: And praying they may have a saving Clause in this Bill, as they have had in former Acts of this Kind; or other Relief, as shall be thought fit.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the said Bill, shall be taken into Consideration.

Cornwall  
Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Cornwall*, in the room of *Hugh Boscarew* Esquire, deceased.

Vexatious  
Suits.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the more effectual Restraining of trifling and vexatious Suits in Law, was read the First time:

And the Question being put, That the Bill be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

Assaying  
Plate.

An ingrossed Bill for appointing Wardens and Assay-masters for Assaying of wrought Plate, according to the present Standard, and affixing the *Britannia* Mark thereon, in those Cities where Mints were lately erected for re-coining the Money of this Kingdom, was read the Third time.

An Amendment was proposed:

Pr. \*, L. \*, to leave out "by the Authority afore-said:"

And the same was; upon the Question, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for appointing Wardens and Assay-masters  
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for Assaying wrought Plate in the Cities of *York*, *Exeter*, *Bristol*, *Chester*, and *Norwich*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brotherton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Supply Bill; Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting to his Majesty an Aid, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means, the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, which was ordered to be made this Day, be made To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis*, 3° die Junii;

13° Gulielmi Tertii, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

An ingrossed Bill for continuing the Acts therein mentioned for preventing Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of *England*, was read the Third time.

Theft on  
Northern  
Borders.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for continuing the Acts therein mentioned, for preventing Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of *England*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Ogle* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for continuing an Act to prevent false and double Returns of Members to serve in Parliament was read the Third time.

Election  
Returns.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for continuing a former Act to prevent false and double Returns of Members to serve in Parliament.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Ogle* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to *Greenwich* Hospital; was read the First time.

Estates given  
to super-  
stitious Uses.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Thursday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Nottingham*, be made upon *Thursday* Morning next.

Nottingham  
Election.

Mr. *Topham* reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and One, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid, was committed, That they had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered

Raising  
Militia.

delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

A Petition of the Clothiers, and others, Traders in the Woollen Manufacture, on behalf of themselves, and divers others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners having sustained great Losses, by the ill Practices of the Marshal and Warden of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*; and understanding, that there is a Bill depending in this House, for regulating the said Prisons; which, the Petitioners humbly conceive, will be of great Advantage to the trading Part of the Kingdom: And praying the House will pass the same, with such Amendments as shall be thought fit.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the said Bill, be read.

Gaaly's  
Petition.

A Petition of *Peter de Gaaly*, Brother and Executor of Brigadier *D'Cambon*, was offered to the House:

And the Question being put, that the Petition be received;

It passed in the Negative.

New Way to  
Lincoln's-  
inn-Fields.

A Bill for making good the Deficiency of an Act made in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of his present Majesty, intituled, An Act for the speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery-lane* to *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, and Places adjacent, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Dillon's  
Divorce.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for dissolving the Marriage of Sir *John Dillon* with *Mary Boyle*; and for other Purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Mompesson* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Mompesson* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill; and had directed him to report the same to the House, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Lynn Work-  
house.

An ingrossed Bill for the erecting Hospitals and Work-houses within the Borough of *King's Lynn*, in the County of *Norfolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor there, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for erecting Hospitals and Work-houses within the Borough of *King's Lynn*, in the County of *Norfolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor there.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Walpool* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Leave of  
Absence:

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Compton* have Leave to go into the Country for Three Weeks, for Recovery of his Health.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Richard Cocks* have Leave to go into the Country for a Fortnight, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Message  
from Lords.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, who were appointed to consider of the Message from the Lords on *Saturday* last, and to draw up an Answer thereunto, be made To-morrow Morning.

Ways and  
Means.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in

his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

1st, *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Twenty Shillings a Man be allowed for Levy-money for the Five thousand Recruits to be raised for the Service of the States General.

2d, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Allowances for Contingencies for the Ten thousand Men be Six thousand Pounds.

3d, *Resolved*, That, &c. That One hundred Seventy-two thousand Eight hundred Twenty-seven Pounds Ten Shillings be allowed for the Pay of the Twelve Battalions.

4th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Sum of Six thousand Four hundred Sixty-nine Pounds Twelve Shillings and Sixpence, be allowed for the Pay of the General Officers.

5th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Sum of Nine thousand Two hundred Sixty-four Pounds, for Poundage, be deducted out of the aforesaid Allowances.

6th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That a Duty be laid upon all low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction, made or drawn from any foreign or imported Materials, or any Mixture with foreign or imported Materials.

7th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That a Duty be laid upon all low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction, made or drawn from Brewers Wash and Tilts.

8th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That a Duty be laid upon all low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction, made or drawn from Drink or Wash brewed or made from any Sort of malted Corn.

9th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That a Duty be laid upon all low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction, made or drawn from any other Sort or Kind of *English* Materials.

10th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the said Duty upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction, made or drawn from foreign or imported Materials, or any Mixtures with foreign or imported Materials, be Sixpence per Gallon.

11th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the said Duty upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction, made or drawn from Brewers Wash or Tilts, be Two-pence per Gallon.

12th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the said Duty upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction, made or drawn from Drink or Wash, brewed or made from any Sort of malted Corn, be One Penny per Gallon.

13th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the said Duty upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction, made or drawn from any other Sort or Kind of *English* Materials, be One Penny Halfpenny per Gallon.

14th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the said Duties be granted to his Majesty for the Term of Five Years, to commence from the Twenty-fourth Day of March One thousand Seven hundred.

15th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the weekly Sum of Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds be charged on the several Rates and Duties of the hereditary and temporary Excise, and granted for the Term of Five Years, to commence from Christmas One thousand Seven hundred.

16th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the several Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, and Spices, and other Duties, granted by an Act made in the Sixth and Seventh Years of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting to his Majesty several additional Duties on Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, and Spices, towards Satisfaction of the Debts due for Transport Service, for the Reduction of *Ireland*, and continued by another Act made in the Ninth and Tenth Years of his Majesty's Reign, be further continued.

17th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the said Duties be continued, from the Thirtieth of April One thousand Seven hundred and One, for the Term of Five Years.

18th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Duties laid upon Hawkers and Pedlars, and petty Chapmen, by an Act made in the Eighth Year of his Majesty's Reign, and continued

continued by another Act made in the Ninth and Tenth Years of his Majesty's Reign, be further continued.

19th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the said Duties be continued, from the Twenty-third of June One thousand Seven hundred and One, for the Term of Five Years.

20th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Poundage deducted out of the Defalcations made, by the Paymaster of the Navy, on account of Slop Cloaths, dead Men's Cloaths, Tobacco, Chest at *Chatham*, Chaplain, and Surgeon, be applied to the Use of the Publick.

21st, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Duties laid on all Muslins imported, by an Act made in the Eleventh Year of his Majesty's Reign, be further continued.

22d, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the said Duties be continued, from the Twenty-eighth Day of September One thousand Seven hundred and One, for the Term of Five Years.

23d, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Overplus of the publick Funds, for the Year One thousand Seven hundred, be applied to the publick Service of the Year One thousand Seven hundred and One.

24th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Arrears of the Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage, due and ending at *Christmas* One thousand Six hundred Ninety-nine, be applied to the publick Service of the Year One thousand Seven hundred and One.

25th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Duties of Twenty-five Pounds per Centum on *French* Goods, and Twenty-five Pounds per Tun on *French* Wines, for One Year, be appropriated for the same Service.

26th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Rent of Hackney Coaches for One Year be appropriated for the same Service.

27th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Duty of Two-and-twenty-pence per Pound Weight, on wrought Silks imported from *India*, until *Michachmas* One thousand Seven hundred and One, be appropriated to the same Service.

28th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Duty of Five Shillings per Ton on *French* Shipping for One Year, be appropriated for the same Service.

29th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Duties upon all *Japan* and lacquered Goods imported, be paid after the Rate the same shall be sold at the Candle.

30th, *Resolved*, That, &c. That the Duties granted by an Act made in the Eighteenth Year of King *Charles* the Second, intituled, An Act for Encouraging of Coinage, be further continued, from the First Day of June One thousand Seven hundred and One, for Seven Years, and from thence to the End of the next Session of Parliament.

The First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, and Ninth Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Tenth Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out "Six-pence;" and inserting, instead thereof, "Four-pence:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That the said Duty upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction, made or drawn from foreign or imported Materials, or any Mixtures with foreign or imported Materials, be Four-pence per Gallon.

The Eleventh Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out "Two-pence;" and inserting, instead thereof, "One Penny:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the said Duty upon

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low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction, made or drawn from Brewers Wash or Tilts, be One Penny per Gallon.

The Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, and Nineteenth Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Twentieth Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out "Paymaster;" and inserting "Paymasters," instead thereof:

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Then the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That the Poundage deducted out of the Defalcations made by the Paymasters of the Navy, on Account of Slop-Cloaths, dead Men's Cloaths, Tobacco, Chest at *Chatham*, Chaplain, and Surgeon, be applied to the Use of the Publick;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Freeman, } 86.  
                                  { Mr. Brotherton: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Shackerly, } 104.  
                                  { Mr. Taylor: }

So it passed in the Negative.

The One-and-twentieth, Two-and-twentieth, Three-and-twentieth, Four-and-twentieth, Five-and-twentieth, Six-and-twentieth, and Seven-and-twentieth Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Twenty-eighth Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed therein, by leaving out "for One Year:"

The same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made, by adding "until the Twenty-fifth Day of March One thousand Seven hundred and Two:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That the Duty of Five Shillings per Ton, on *French* Shipping, be appropriated to the same Service, until the Twenty-fifth Day of March One thousand Seven hundred and Two.

The Residue of the said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That a Bill, or Bills, be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Conyers*, and Mr. *Lowndes*, do prepare, and bring in, the same.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments, made by the Lords, King's Bench to the Bill, intituled, An Act for regulating the Prisons and Fleet Prisons. of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday* Morning next.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, at Ten a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee Commissioners of Accounts. of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned, except the Committees. Committee appointed to search Precedents, and draw up an Answer to the Message from the Lords.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for preventing Frauds and Duties on Abuses in the Duties upon Salt; and for collecting the same Salt. with

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with less Charge to the Publick; be read a Second time To-morrow Morning, in a full House.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 4<sup>o</sup> die Junii;*

13<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

Insolvent Debtors.

**ORDERED**, That the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt was committed, be discharged from proceeding thereupon.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be committed to a private Committee:

And it is referred to Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Sam. Bernardston*, Mr. *Yates*, Lord *Cornbury*, Mr. *Ash*, Mr. *Chandler*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Blofeld*, Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Mannaton*, Mr. *Gape*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Earl of *Dysert*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *Will. Ashurst*, Mr. *Cross*, Sir *John Mordant*, Lord *Cheine*, Mr. *Topham*, Mr. *Phips*, Mr. *Dyott*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Hopkins*, Admiral *Aylmer*, Sir *John Kay*; and all that serve for *Yorkshire* and *Cornwall*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Duchy of Cornwall Leases.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable his Majesty to make Grants, Leases, and Copies, of Offices, Lands, and Hereditaments, Parcel of his Duchy of *Cornwall*, or annexed to the same; and for Confirmation of Leases and Grants already made; is committed; have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Pynyot's, &c. Nat.

Mr. *Bridges* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Jacob Augustine Pynyot*, and others, was committed; That they had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Press 1. L. 6. after "*France*," insert "*James Bruce*, Son of *James Bruce*, by *Magdalen* his Wife, born at *Nantes* in *Brittany*, in *France*."

L. 18. after "*Pynyot*," insert "*James Bruce*."

L. 29. the same.

Press 2. L. 2. leave out "*she*."

L. 8. after "*Pynyot*," insert "*James Bruce*."

Bigg's Estate.

An ingrossed Bill to enable *Richard Bigg* to charge Part of his Estate, in the County of *Hertford*, with the Payment of his Debts, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be; An Act to enable *Richard Bigg* to charge Part of his Estate, in the County of *Hertford*, with the Payment of his Debts.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Kay* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

Lord Somers' Impeachment.

The Lords do think fit, upon Occasion of the Message from this House of the One-and-thirtieth of May, to acquaint this House, That having been desired by the Lord *Somers*, That a Day may be appointed for his speedy Tryal; and their Lordships, finding no Issue joined by Replication of the House of Commons, judge it proper to give them Notice thereof, that the Commons may reply, if they think fit: And at the same time their Lord-

ships let the Commons know, That they will proceed to the Tryal of any of the impeached Lords, whom the Commons should be first ready to begin with, so as there may be no Occasion taken from thence for any unreasonable Delay in the Prosecution of any of them: And further to acquaint them, That, having searched their own Journals, they do not find, that, after a general Impeachment, there has ever been so long a Delay of bringing up the particular Articles of Impeachment, sitting the Parliament; and therefore the Lords do think they had Reason to assert, That it was a hardship to the Two Lords concerned, especially after their Lordships had put the House of Commons in mind of exhibiting such Articles; and not agreeable to the usual Proceedings in Parliament: And as the Lords do not controvert what Right the Commons may have of impeaching, in general Terms, if they please; so the Lords, in whom the Judicature does intirely reside, think themselves obliged to assert, That the Right of limiting a convenient Time for bringing the particular Charge before them, for the avoiding Delay in Justice, is lodged in them.

The Lords hope the Commons, on their Part, will be as careful not to do any thing that may tend to the Interruption of the good Correspondence between the Two Houses, as the Lords shall ever be, on their Part: And the best Way to preserve that, is, for neither of the Two Houses to exceed those Limits, which the Law and Custom of Parliament have already established. Also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Robert Lord Viscount Kilmorey*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, being an Infant, to settle divers Manors, Lands, and Hereditaments, in the Kingdom of *England*, upon a Treaty of Marriage, without Amendments: And also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for removing the County Gaol of *Hertford*, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Mr. *Brewer* reported, from the Committee, to whom the Petition of several Colonels of the Army, in behalf of themselves, and others; and also the Petition of Colonel *William Seymour*, Sir *Harry Dutton Colt*, Administrators to Colonel *Edward Dutton Colt*, Colonel *Harry Mordant*, and Colonel *Thomas Brudenell*, on behalf of themselves and the rest of the Officers of the Four late Marine Regiments, were referred; the Matter as it appeared to the said Committee; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as follows; viz.

That upon hearing the Petitioners, and several Persons by them produced to make good the Allegations of their Petition:

It appeared to the Committee, That, upon the raising of a Regiment, Cloathing is immediately provided; and, for the Satisfaction of Tradesmen, who furnished the same, a Minute was made in Council, That the Cloathing Part of the Pay should be paid to the Year's End, although the Regiments should happen to be disbanded sooner:

That Cloathing is always provided for the Number of the Establishment, without any Regard to Defectives by Loss in Service, Sickness, Desertion, or otherwise:

That, in November and December One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven, near a Third Part; viz. Twelve Drummers, Twelve Serjeants, Twelve Corporals, and Two hundred and Thirty Men, were reduced out of every Regiment; and, in February following, several Regiments were intirely disbanded; whereby the Fund for Cloathing ceased, and thereby a great Deficiency in that Payment happened; for that, at the Pay Office, they make no Allowance for Cloathing, any longer than the Men are upon the Muster-rolls.

And the great Discount upon publick Payment, at that time, increased the Deficiency of the Cloathing Part of the Pay; for that many of the Clothiers offered to cloathe for Half the Price in ready Money, as on the Tallies had from the Treasury;



That, upon the aforesaid Reducement and Disbanding in November, December, and February, One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven, the Men, by the King's express Orders, were to take with them their Cloaths, although the same could not be paid till the First of April following, about which time the Cloaths were provided, and the Payment for them commenced, in each Year :

That the Cloathing Part of the Pay, as well as Subsistence, is stopped upon all Respites for defective Men ; and no Credit given for Cloathing, but to the very Day of the Men being reduced or disbanded :

That upon the Colonels contracting with the Clothiers, the Colonels gave them Assignments of the Cloathing Part of the Pay, upon the Paymaster ; and concluded the Acceptance of those Assignments to be sufficient Discharges to them against the Clothiers :

But, notwithstanding, the Clothiers have, on that account, commenced Suits, and obtained Verdicts, in Law, against the Colonels who contracted with them for the Cloaths on the Regiments Account, as if the same had been upon their own personal Credit.

*Ordered*, That the said Report do lie upon the Table, until the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

Duties on  
Salt.

A Bill for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Duties upon Salt ; and for collecting the same with less Charge to the Publick ; was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

Supply Bill ;  
Appropri-  
ating Excise,  
&c.

Mr. *Lovendes*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds a Week, out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Use ; and for making Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family ; and other his necessary Occasions : And the same was received ; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lewknor* have Leave to go into the Country, to bury his Father-in-law.

Barbadoes  
Admini-  
stration of  
Justice.

A Petition of *James Cowse* Esquire, and *Elizabeth* his Wife, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That the Petitioners, some time since, filed a Bill in the Court of Chancery, in the Island of *Barbadoes*, against *William Sharpe* Esquire, a Member of the Council, and of the said Court, for the Recovery of Five thousand Five hundred and Twelve Pounds Ten Shillings, and the Interest thereof ; to which Bill the said Defendant having pleaded and demurred, near Fourteen Months passed before the Petitioners could bring on the said Plea and Demurrer to be argued, by reason of the great Delays, and frequent Adjournments, of the said Court, and the great Power and Interest of the said *William Sharpe* : That, upon Argument of the said Plea and Demurrer, on the 6th November 1700, the Petitioners Bill was dismissed ; and thereupon they applied themselves, within Fourteen Days, to the Honourable *Ralph Grey* Esquire, Governor of the said Island, to be admitted to their Appeal to his Majesty in Council, pursuant to his Majesty's Instructions to the said Governor : But, though the Liberty of appealing be due, of common Right, and the said Instructions are positive, that Appeals shall be allowed in such Cases ; and though it had always, till then, been the constant Practice of the said Governor, and other preceding Governors, of that Island, to allow Appeals, without the Concurrence of the Council ; yet the said Governor did refuse to admit such their Appeal, until he should advise with the Council : Whereupon the Petitioner

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*James Cowse*, having waited in vain for the Sitting of a Council, came for *England*, to have the said Appeal allowed ; and though his Majesty in Council has been graciously pleased to direct, That the Petitioners be admitted to their Appeal, yet the Hearing is put off to November next, to their great Prejudice ; whereas, if the said Governor had allowed, when demanded, the Petitioner might have had a Hearing, and saved Eight Months Delay, and Attendance in *England*, to the Neglect of his Affairs in that Island : And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration, and to provide such Remedy for the same, that the Petitioners, and others, may not meet with the like Usage for the future.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Thomas Hodges* is referred.

Mr. *Harcourt*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee, who were appointed to consider of the Message from the Lords, of *Saturday* last, and search Precedents in relation thereunto, and prepare an Answer to the said Message, That they had considered the said Message, and searched Precedents, and had drawn up an Answer accordingly ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same was once read ; and then a Second time, Paragraph by Paragraph ; and, with some Amendments, agreed unto by the House ; and is as followeth ; viz.

Answer to  
Lords Mes-  
sage respect-  
ing the Im-  
peachments.

The Commons, on Consideration of your Lordships Message to them of the 31st of May, concerning the Earl of *Orford*, think it their undoubted Right, when several Persons stand impeached before your Lordships, to bring to Tryal such of them, in the First Place, as the Commons apprehend, from the Nature of the Evidence, ought to be proceeded against ; to the Intent all such Offenders may, in due time, be brought to Justice ; and that no Day ought to be appointed by your Lordships, for the Tryal of any Impeachment by the Commons, without some previous Signification to your Lordships from the Commons, of their being ready to proceed thereon.

The Commons could not receive this Message from your Lordships, without the greatest Surprise ; your Lordships Proceedings, in this Case, being neither warranted by Precedents, nor, as the Commons conceive, consistent with the Methods of Justice, or with Reason : Wherefore the Commons cannot agree to the Day appointed by your Lordships for the Tryal of the Earl of *Orford*.

As to your Lordships Message at the same time, relating to the Earl of *Portland*, and *Charles Lord Hallifax* ; the Commons take the same to be without Precedent, and unparliamentary ; and conceive your Lordships frequent Repetition thereof, in so short a time after the Commons had transmitted to your Lordships their Articles against Two of the impeached Lords, and were daily preparing their Articles against the others, manifestly tends to the Delay of Justice, in obstructing the Tryals of the impeached Lords, by introducing Disputes, in Breach of that good Correspondence between the Two Houses, which ought inviolably to be preserved.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Harcourt* do carry the said Answer to the Lords.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt* :

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Gaspar Cordoso Harman Van Wedde*, and others : To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

Wedde's, &c.  
Nat.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for continuing the Acts therein mentioned, for preventing Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of *England*, without any Amendments.

Theft on  
Northern  
Borders.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

A Motion

Lord Somers' Impeachment.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the ingrossed Replication to the Answer of the Lord Somers to the Articles of Impeachment exhibited against him be now read;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Moncton, } 90.  
                                  { Mr. Walpool: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Freeman, } 140.  
                                  { Mr. Bromley: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Message from the Lords this Day, touching the Impeachments, be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning.

Supply Bill; Land Tax.

Mr. Conyers, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting to his Majesty an Aid for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions; was committed; the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was once read.

Ordered, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Jovis, 5<sup>o</sup> die Junii;

13<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

Dillon's Divorce.

MR. Mompesson, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for dissolving the Marriage of Sir John Dillon with Mary Boyle; and for other Purposes therein mentioned; was committed; That they had heard the Counsel and Witnesses on the Part of Sir John Dillon, to make good the Allegations in the Bill; but that the Lady Dillon, or any Person for her, did not attend upon her Petition; although it appeared, that Sir John Dillon had offered her Agent Money, to enable her to make her Defence before the Committee; and that thereupon the Committee proceeded upon the Bill, and went through with it; and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Mews' Name.

Mr. Jervois reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to change the Surname of Ellis Mews, and his Heirs, to the Surname of Saint John, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true; and had directed him to report the Bill to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Conduct of Whitaker, Admiralty Solicitor.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inquire into the Behaviour of Mr. Whitacre, be made To-morrow Morning.

Estates given to superstitious Uses.

A Petition of Henry Fermer, Ralph Sheldon, Thomas Stoner, John Weedon, Esquires, and Winifred Brooke, Widow, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, on the Petition of Lewis Garrard, suggesting he had made great Discoveries of Lands given to superstitious Uses, a Bill is brought in to vest such Lands in Greenwich Hospital, and some Part thereof in the Informers: That the said pretended Discovery is an Inquisition taken at Wheatley, in Com' Oxon, the 16th Day of October

last, before John la Pradell, and other Strangers and Foreigners, in the said County, on the Oath of One Nevill, and other obscure mean Persons, whereby, without producing any Deed, or Copy of any Deed, the Petitioners Estates, which, for valuable Considerations of Marriage, were settled on them, and their Posterities, are found to be given to superstitious Uses: That the said Commissioners never returned the said Inquisition into the Petit Bag Office, or Exchequer, as by Law they ought; whereby the Petitioners were deprived of their Traverse thereunto, and such Means as the Law allows of, to defend their Possessions and Titles: That the Petitioners doubt not but they shall make it fully appear to the House, that the said Inquisition was found by undue Means, and contrary to all Truth; and that the said Gerrard, and his Accomplices, under a specious pretence of Discovery, are seeking to mend their broken Fortunes out of the Petitioners Estates: And praying, That they may be heard by their Counsel against the said Bill.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of Edward Douglas, One of the Deputy Commissaries to the Two old Marine Regiments, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner having been appointed One of the Deputy Commissaries to the late Two old Marine Regiments, and served as such till the said Regiments were broke; That the House, by their Votes of the 27th of April 1699, having thought fit to allow Half-pay to such Officers as were in the Regiments at the time of Disbanding, who were not cleared, nor any way provided for; That the Petitioner never received any Pay, neither Subsistence, nor otherwise; and there being a considerable Arrear due to him, and he being omitted in the Establishment for Half-pay: And praying, the House would be pleased, as he is intitled to Half-pay by the Votes aforesaid, to order, That he may be added to the List of Half-pay; and that he may have the same Benefit thereof, as Sir Thomas Knatchbull Commissary, and George Gillard the other Deputy, hath.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report be made from the Committee appointed to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay;

It passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the Petition be rejected.

A Petition of the Master, Wardens, and Assistants, of the Society of Merchant Adventurers within the City of Bristol, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners being informed a Bill is brought in, proposing to restrain the Refining of Rock Salt; which, they humbly conceive, may tend to bring that Commodity into a Monopoly, and further advance the extravagant Price thereof, to the general Prejudice of his Majesty's Subjects, but especially to the Navigation and Trade of this City; and occasion more Ships belonging to this, and the Ports of this Channel, to victual in Ireland: And praying, the House will take into Consideration the great Disadvantage that will accrue to this City, and the Trade and Navigation thereof, in case the Price of Salt shall be further advanced, by a Combination of the Refiners.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of Thomas Collins, late Ensign in his Majesty's Regiment of Foot, commanded by the Honourable Colonel William Northcott, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner hath faithfully served his Majesty, as an Ensign in the said Regiment, for several Years: That in December 1695, he being then in the Royal Citadel at Plymouth, upon Duty, it pleased God to visit him with a violent Fit of Sickness, which was attended with a malignant Fever, which

which occasioned a Gangrene in his Left Leg, which was forced to be amputated in the said Citadel; by means whereof he is utterly incapable of serving his Majesty, or of getting a Maintenance, whereby to subsist: And praying, That he may be admitted into the Number of those that are to receive Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report be made from the Committee appointed to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay.

Hallifax  
Poor.

The Lord *Fairfax* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for erecting and making a Corporation within the Town of *Hallifax*; and for the better Relief and Government of the Poor there; was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Then the Question being put, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Sir John Kay,*  
                                  *Sir Wm. Strickland:* } 48.

Tellers for the Noes, { *Sir Robert Davers,*  
                                  *Mr. Hammond:* } 76.

So it passed in the Negative.

Insolvent  
Debtors.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brotherton* and Mr. *Offley* be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt is committed.

Deale Water-  
works.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for furnishing the Town of *New Deale* with fresh Water, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Lords Mes-  
sage respect-  
ing the Im-  
peachments.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Message Yesterday from the Lords, relating to the Impeachments:

And the same being read;

Conference  
desired.

*Resolved*, That a Conference be desired with the Lords, upon the Subject-matter of the said Message.

*Ordered*, That the said Message be referred to the Committee appointed to draw up the Articles of Impeachments: And that they do draw up what is to be offered to the Lords at the said Conference.

Supply Bill;  
appropri-  
ating Excise,  
&c.

A Bill for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds a Week, out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Use; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his necessary Occasions; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That the House will, upon To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

Clams on  
Excise  
Revenue.

A Petition of Sir *John Wolstenholme* Baronet, *Thomas Frewen* Esquire, *Gilbert Whitehall*, and *Robert Williamson*, in behalf of themselves, and many Thousands more, who are intituled to annual Rents, or Sums payable out of the hereditary Revenue of Excise, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by Encouragement of an Act, made in the Nineteenth Year of King *Charles* the Second, his said Majesty became indebted to the Petitioners, several Goldsmiths, and others, above Thirteen hundred thousand Pounds; in Lieu and Satisfaction whereof, by Letters Patents, in the

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Twenty-ninth Year of his Reign, did grant, out of the hereditary Revenue of Excise, to each of the Patentees, their Heirs and Assigns, annual Rents, or Sums, for near Eighty thousand Pounds per Annum, after the Rate of Six per Cent. for ever, or till the Principal Sum, together with Arrears of Rent, should be paid to whom it should belong: That the said yearly Rents, or Sums, were paid to *Lady-day* 1683; but the Proprietors not obtaining further Payments, there is Eighteen Years Arrears of Rent due at *Lady-day* 1701: That, after Ten Years Prosecution of the Cause, in the several Courts of Law, by the Petitioner *Williamson*, the said Patents have, in the most solemn Manner, been affirmed to be a good Title; and that those yearly Rents, or Sums, and the Arrears thereof, ought to be paid out of that Revenue of Excise: That all the Proprietors, under those Patents, have the very same Right and Title to their respective annual Rents, or Sums, and the Arrears thereof, out of the hereditary Excise, as the said *Williamson* hath; and, upon the like Process in Law, it is presumed, they may all obtain the like Justice; but it appears by the Votes of the 23d of May, that this House is intending to dispose of great Sums of Money, arising out of the Revenues mentioned in the Act for his Majesty's Houshold, &c.: And praying, That their legal Rights and Properties, in the hereditary Revenue of Excise, may be preserved, as . . the House shall seem meet.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee.

A Petition of *Thomas Frewen* Esquire was presented to the House: Privilege of a Member in a Suit.

And the same relating to Mr. *Aislaby*, a Member of this House; who not being in the House;

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table till Mr. *Aislaby* be in the House.

The House, according to Order, resumed the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting to his Majesty an Aid, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions; was committed. Supply Bill; Land Tax.

And several of the Amendments to the Bill were read a Second time; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Upon reading the List of the Commissioners for the County of *Dorset*;

A Motion was made, and the Question was put, That *William Chaplyn* do stand a Commissioner therein for the said County:

And it was passed in the Negative.

Then a Motion was made, and the Question was put, That *Daniel Mitchell* be added as a Commissioner:

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Upon reading the List of the Commissioners for the Borough of *Ipswich*, in the County of *Suffolk*;

A Motion was made, and the Question was put, That *Robert Snelling* be added a Commissioner for the said Borough:

And it passed in the Negative.

Upon the reading the List of Commissioners for the County of *Suffolk*;

A Motion was made, and the Question was put, That *Richard Porter* be a Commissioner for the said County:

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Mr. Moncton,*  
                                  *Mr. Dowdeswell:* } 61.

Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. Brotherton,*  
                                  *Mr. Goreing:* } 126.

So it passed in the Negative.

Upon reading the List of the Commissioners for the County of *Surrey*;

A Motion was made, and the Question was put, That *Godfrey Woodward* be a Commissioner for the said County:

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

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Tellers

Tellers for the Yeas, {Mr. Ash, } 18.  
 Tellers for the Noes, {Sir Isaac Rebow: }  
 {Mr. Wilmington, } 151.  
 {Mr. Gulston: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Upon reading the List of the Commissioners for the County of *Anglesea*;

A Motion was made, and the Question was put, That *David Lloyd* be added a Commissioner for the said County:

It passed in the Negative.

Upon reading the List of the Commissioners for the County of *Denbigh*;

Several Motions were successively made, for adding the several Persons following to be Commissioners for the said County; viz. *Robert Middleton* Esquire, *John Heaton* of the *Green*, *John Williams* of *Ponte-Guethell*, *Hugh Clough* of *Llewellyn*, *John Lloyd* of *Wicker*:

And, upon the Question severally put upon them;

It passed in the Negative.

All the other Lists of Commissioners, and the rest of the Amendments to the Bill, to the Clauses, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, before the House proceed upon the said Report, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

Nottingham  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Town of *Nottingham*, be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Estates given  
to supersti-  
tious Uses.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to *Greenwich* Hospital; be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next, in a full House.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine of the Clock.

*Veneris, 6<sup>o</sup> die Junii;*

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

Barbadoes  
Administra-  
tion of  
Justice.

**A**PETITION of *Isaac Hawkins*, of the *Inner Temple*, Esquire, One of the Executors of *Barbara Newton*, late of *Barbadoes*, deceased, for and on the behalf of divers Infants, Legatees of the said *Barbara*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said *Newton* having, some time before her Death, brought an Action of Debt, in the said Island, against *John Gibbs* Esquire, late One of the Council of the said Island, on a Bond of Thirty thousand Pounds Penalty, whereon there was about Six thousand Pounds then justly due to her, the Court of Law did give a groundless Judgment against her; whereupon she brought a Writ of Error, in the Court of Errors, which affirmed the said Judgment; whereupon she exhibited a Bill in the Court of Chancery of the said Island, for Relief; but the said Court of Chancery, consisting of the same Persons who were Judges of the Writ of Error, some of whom were, as the Petitioner is informed, interested in the said Suit, her Bill was dismissed; whereupon she applied to the King in Council against the said Judgment and Decree, and died before the same came to a Hearing; having made the Petitioner One of her Executors, who, with his Fellow Executors, brought the said Cause to a Hearing the 15th of August 1695, when his Majesty set aside the said Judgment and Decree, and left the Petitioner, and his Fellow Executors, at

Liberty to begin a new Suit; soon after which the said *Gibbs* died; having first, as the Petitioner is informed, settled his Estate in the best manner he could, to keep the same from being liable to satisfy the Petitioner's Demands; insomuch that, he is now advised, he lieth under a Necessity to sue for the same in the Chancery of the said Island, the Judicature of which consists of the Governor, and Twelve Gentlemen, who are the Council of the said Island, and who, for the most part, are Merchants or Planters, and great Dealers in the said Island; and, in a Place no larger than that, must of Necessity be interested in many Causes that come before them; and some of them now, and ever since the Commencement of the said Suit, have been, as the Petitioner is informed, interested in the Consequence of the said Suit, though they be not directly therein named; insomuch that he cannot prevail with his Fellow Executors to run the Hazard of any further Proceedings there, till that Court be better regulated, they fearing the like Success; whereby the Infants will be totally deprived of the said Money: And praying, That the House would take into Consideration the great Hardship it is to the Petitioner, and many others, to have their Causes heard and determined by the major Votes of Persons frequently interested in the Causes that come before them; and that some Remedy may be provided, to prevent the like Mischiefs for the future.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to which the Petition of *Thomas Hodges* Esquire is referred.

A Bill for making good the Deficiency of an Act, made in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of his present Majesty, intituled, An Act for the speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery-lane* to *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, and Places adjacent, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Brother-ton*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *England*, Sir *Robert Davers*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *John Kay*, Mr. *Topham*, Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Sir *John Cordell*, Mr. *Jolliffe*, Sir *Jerv. Elwes*, Capt. *Dyott*, Mr. *Chetwynd*, Mr. *Gape*, Mr. *Darcy*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Holmes*, Mr. *Fremman*, Mr. *Mounstevens*, Mr. *Bertie*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Cross*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Cary*, Sir *Ant. Owen*, Mr. *Rayner*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Stonehouse*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

An ingrossed Bill, intituled, An Act for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and One, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for raising the Militia for One Year, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Topham* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Mr. *Loandes*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for granting several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices, and Pictures, and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Cent. upon Muslins; and for improving the Duties upon japanned and lacquered Goods; and for continuing the Coinage Duty; for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned: And the same was received; and read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

A Petition of *Francis Godolphin* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner is informed, That a Bill is brought in for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given

New Way to  
Lincoln's-  
inn-fields.

Raising  
Militia.

Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Low Wines.

Estates given  
to supersti-  
ous Uses.



to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to *Greenwich* Hospital; which, if the same should pass, will be very prejudicial to the Petitioner's Right in and to the real and personal Estate of Sir *Wm. Godolphin*, deceased; and will overturn the Settlement thereof, made by an Act in the Tenth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for confirming and establishing the Administration of Sir *William's* Goods and Chattels: And praying, That a Clause, for saving the Petitioner's Right to the real and personal Estate of the said Sir *William*, according to the Tenour of the said Act, may be added to the said Bill; or otherwise, That the Petitioner may be heard by his Counsel against the said Bill before the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Duties on  
Salt.

A Petition of the Masters and Workers of the Coal-mines in the County of *Lancaster*, and Carriers of Coals to the Salt-works in the County Palatine of *Chester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners being extremely impoverished by the Decay of Brine Salt Manufacture; which, since the Use of Salt Rock, hath annually lessened, and been impaired; and cannot but, with the deepest Sense of approaching Ruin and Misery, lay before the House the Want of their former Trade and Subsistence: And praying, That, for the Encouragement of the Brine Manufacture, to take the Premises into Consideration, and apply such Remedy as shall seem most meet.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Proprietors of Brine Salt, and Manufacturers thereof, and Inhabitants in and about *Namptwich*, in the County Palatine of *Chester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have been, and are, extremely discouraged by such Advantages given to Salt Rock, and the Salt made thereof, as tend to impair the Revenue, and ruin the Manufacture of Brine Salt, by not being under the same Limitations at the Pit, by Allowances in the Drawback, and Weight, exceeding the Brine a Third-part, though productive of better Salt, by importing and selling foreign Salts in *England* by Measure, and, in *Ireland*, both foreign and *English* Salt; the foreign there paying no more Duty than the *English*; which, if applied Weight for Weight, exceeds all other Salt in Cleanness, and Cure both of Flesh and Fish; and by so many and great Discouragements, the Petitioners, with Thousands more, are extremely impoverished: And praying, That for the general Encouragement of the said Manufacture of Salt, to take the Premises into Consideration, and to apply such Remedy as shall seem most meet.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Ditto.

A Petition of the Refiners of Rock Salt, within the City of *Bristol*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners being informed, a Bill is brought in, proposing to restrain the refining Rock Salt; which, is conceived, will tend to the creating a Monopoly of that Commodity, to the Prejudice of his Majesty's Subjects, by further increasing the Price of Salt, and the Ruin of the Petitioners, and many Hundred Families in this Kingdom, who have erected very considerable Works for refining Rock Salt, and who wholly depend thereon: And praying, That the House will take the Petitioners into Protection, that they may not lose the great Sums of Money they have expended in erecting Works, and be deprived of the Benefit of their Trade, by which they support themselves and Families.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Ditto.

A Petition of *Philip Doubt*, *John Adams*, and *Robert Wren*, Inhabitants in the Borough of *Bideford*, in the

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County of *Dexon*, Refiners of Salt made from Rock, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the greatest Part of the said County is furnished with Salt made of Rock: That it gives Content, and saves and cures Flesh and Fish, as well as Salt made of Brine: That, in case the Use and Making of Rock Salt should be prohibited, it would be very prejudicial to all the Country, because the Brine Salt Men formerly did, and probably will again, if it be in their Power, make them pay pay Four times dearer than the Price current now; and will consequently cost at least Nine-pence, if not Twelve-pence per Bushel, to the Country, more than now they pay; besides great Waste in bringing white Salt by Water, sometimes Fifteen or Twenty per Cent. more than Rock; and the Petitioners have been at very great Charges in erecting Houses, and providing Utensils, to refine Salt from Rock, having been encouraged by former Acts; so that, if the Making or Use of Rock Salt should be prohibited, any otherwise than now it is, it will tend and be, not to the Petitioners great Loss only, but Damage of the Country generally; and many poor Men employed, and their Families, would be Sufferers thereby: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and order . . . the Continuance of refining Salt from Rock, in regard it manifestly tends to publick Good; and let it stand on the same Foot as it now doth.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of the working People and Labourers, on behalf of themselves, and several others, employed in the Making of Salt from Brine, inhabiting in the Counties of *Durham* and *Northumberland*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, for some Months, have been reduced to a very deplorable and indigent Condition, by reason that the Salt-works in the Counties aforesaid were unemployed, and great Decay in the Salt Trade: That they being incapable of being employed in other Business, and having no other Subsistence; and they, and their Families, which consist of some Thousand of the poorest People, had undoubtedly starved and perished, if not relieved by the Proprietors of Salt, and other the Inhabitants: And praying the Consideration of the House, and to redress the great Wants they are subject to, and lie under.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of the Masters and Workers of the Coal-mines in the County of *Stafford*, and Carriers of Coals in their Salt-works in the County Palatine of *Chester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners being extremely necessitated and impoverished by the Decay of . . . Brine Salt Manufacture, which, since the Use of Salt Rock, hath annually lessened, and been impaired; and cannot, but with the deepest Sense of approaching Ruin and Misery, lay before the House the Want of former Trade and Subsistence: And praying, for the general Encouragement of the Brine Manufacture, to take the Premises into Consideration, and to apply such Remedy as shall seem most meet.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of the Mayor and Burgesses of the Town and County of *Newcastle upon Tyne* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That a great Number of poor People, inhabiting in and nigh the said Town, being employed and maintained in the Salt-works upon the River *Tyne*; That, of late Months, by a Decay of the Salt Trade, many Poor are set a begging, and become a Burden to the Inhabitants of the said Town, and Places adjacent: And praying, That the House would take the same into serious Consideration, and do therein as they shall think meet.

*Ordered*,



Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Duties on  
Salt.

A Petition of *Jonathan Case, John Blackborne, Samuel Brockenborough, and Daniel Peck*, Gentlemen, on behalf of themselves, and several others, Proprietors of Rock Salt, and Refiners of Salt from Rock, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in a Bill now depending before the House, for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Duties upon Salt; and for collecting the same with less Charge to the Publick; there is a Clause to prohibit the Refining of Salt from Rock above Distance from the Pit, under colour to prevent Frauds in relation to the Duty: By passing this Clause, the Makers of Salt from Brine-springs and Sea-water will entirely engross the Salt Manufacture, and thereby ruin the Rock Salt Refiners; who, through the Encouragement of late Acts of Parliament, have been erected; and will be so far from increasing, that it will diminish, the Duty, by raising the Price of Salt, and lessening the Consumption thereof: And praying, That, by their Counsel, they may be heard against the said Clause, before the same do pass.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said *Jonathan Case, John Blackborne, Samuel Brockenborough, and Daniel Peck*, be heard before the said Committee, by their Counsel, upon their said Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

A Petition of several Persons, being Traders within the Liberty of *Westminster*, in behalf of themselves, and many others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have been often abused by the ill Practices of the Marshal and Warden of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* Prisons; whose said ill Practices have most sensibly discouraged Trade, and personal Credit; and understanding, that there is a Bill depending for regulating the said Prisons: And praying, That the House will pass the same in such manner, as shall seem meet for the Benefit of the Subject, and redressing the said Abuses.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the said Bill, be taken into Consideration.

Ditto.

A Petition of *Sarles Goaley, John Baskett*, and divers others, all Traders within the City of *London*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners being informed, that there is a Bill depending in the House, for the regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*; the Abuses of which, and their Officers, are most intolerable; to the great Discouragement of Trade and Credit; and the Petitioners have been great Sufferers thereby: And praying, That the House will pass the said Bill, with such Alterations as shall be thought proper for the redressing the said Abuses.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the said Bill, be taken into Consideration.

Privilege of  
a Member in  
a Suit.

Mr. *Aislaby* being in his Place;

The Petition of Mr. *Frewen*, presented to the House Yesterday, was read; setting forth, That there being Suits in Chancery, touching Five hundred Pounds due to the Petitioner, as Executor of his late Uncle Archbishop *Frewen*, upon a Bond taken in the Name of *George Aislaby* Esquire, deceased, Father of *John Aislaby* Esquire, a Member of the House, in Trust for the Petitioner's said Uncle; which Bond the said Mr. *Aislaby* lately delivered to the Petitioner; who hath desired, that the said Mr. *Aislaby* will be examined, only to prove his Father's Hand, and the said Trust, and Delivery of the said Bond to the Petitioner; who hath often promised to be examined; and, in order thereunto, the Petitioner hath delayed his Cause a great while, for want of the said Examination; but, in regard he thinks not fit to dispatch his Examination, and his Evidence, as the Petitioner is advised, is very material in the Petitioner's Cause: And praying, That he may be at Liberty to serve the said

Mr. *Aislaby* with Process, to proceed to enforce his being examined as a Witness, without incurring a Breach of the Privilege of the House:

Whereupon Mr. *Aislaby* declared, That he was willing to be examined accordingly.

Resolved, That the said Petition be rejected.

Mr. *Harcourt* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Articles of Impeachment; and who were to consider of the Message from the Lords the Fourth of June instant; and to draw up what shall be offered at a Conference with the Lords, upon the Subject-matter of the said Message; That they had drawn up the same accordingly; and had directed him to report the same to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read twice; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz.

Proceedings  
on the Im-  
peachment.

The Commons have desired this Conference, upon your Lordships Message of the 4th of June, in order to preserve a good Correspondence with your Lordships, which will always be the Endeavour of the Commons, and is at this time particularly necessary, in order to bring the impeached Lords to a speedy Tryal: And because the Messages, which your Lordships have thought fit to send to the Commons, and the Answers thereunto, seem not to tend towards expediting the Tryals, which the Commons so much desire, but may rather furnish Matter of Dispute between the Two Houses; the Commons therefore choose to follow the Methods formerly used, with good Success, upon the like Occasion: And, for the more speedy and easy adjusting and preventing any Differences, which have already happened, or may arise, previous to, or upon, these Tryals; the Commons do propose to your Lordships, That a Committee of both Houses be nominated, to consider of the most proper Ways and Methods of proceeding on Impeachments, according to the Usage of Parliaments.

Ordered, That Mr. *St. John* do go to the Lords, and desire the said Conference.

Conference  
desired.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the better Improving of a certain Piece of Ground in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*; and for other the Purposes therein mentioned; without any Amendments. Also,

St. Martin's  
Parish  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for appointing Wardens and Assay-masters for assaying wrought Plate in the Cities of *York, Exeter, Bristol, Chester, and Norwich*, without any Amendments.

Assaying  
Plate.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ordered, That the Bill for erecting a Corporation for the purchasing the *Irish* forfeited Estates, be read the First time To-morrow Morning.

Irish For-  
feitures.

A Petition being offered to the House, for enlarging the Time for the Prohibition of *East India* Silks;

East India  
Silks.

And the Question being put, That the said Petition be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom, being read;

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the Petition of *Wm. Fownds* and *Ephraim Dawson*, in behalf of the Non-commission Officers, and private Horsemen, of the late *Eniskillin* Regiment, that was commanded by Brigadier *William Wolsley*, deceased, which lies upon the Table, be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee.

Then the House resolved itself into the said Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr.

Mr. *Harcourt* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Harcourt* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again; withal acquainting the House, That the Committee understood, that the Lords had agreed to a Conference, and appointed it presently, in the Painted Chamber.

*Resolved*, That this House will, immediately after the said Conference, resolve itself again into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

Conference  
with Lords.

Mr. *St. John* reported, That he having, according to Order, been at the Lords, to desire a Conference, the Lords do agree to a Conference accordingly; and appoint the same presently, in the Painted Chamber.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, who were appointed to draw up Articles of Impeachment, do manage the Conference.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And, being returned :

Mr. *Harcourt* reported, That they had been at the Conference; and delivered to the Lords what the House had directed: And that the impeached Lords were not at the Conference.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

Then the House resolved itself again into a Committee of the whole House upon the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Harcourt* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Harcourt* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to proceed further upon the said Bill.

Conduct of  
Whitacre,  
Admiralty  
Solicitor.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, who were appointed to inquire into the Behaviour of Mr. *Whitacre*, be made upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Supply Bill;  
Land Tax.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting to his Majesty an Aid for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions; was committed; be further adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eleven a Clock.

Supply Bill;  
appropri-  
ating Excise,  
&c.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, after the said Report considered, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House upon the Bill for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds a Week, out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Use; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his necessary Occasions.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 7° die Junii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

The  
Chaplain.

**RESOLVED**, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will please to bestow some Preferment in the Church upon Mr. *John Herne*, Chaplain to this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

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A Bill for erecting a Corporation for the Purchasing Irish the *Irish* forfeited Estates was, according to Order, read *Forfeitures*, the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Wednesday* Morning next, in a full House.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given, upon a further Con- Supply Bill; sideration of the Report of the Bill for granting to his Ma- Land Tax. jesty an Aid, for defraying of the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions; to offer a Clause, for the better Levying and Collecting the Arrears of the Taxes for the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, One thousand Six hundred Ninety-nine, and One thousand Seven hundred.

The House resumed the further Consideration of the said Report :

And the Clauses A, B, and C, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Clause D being read a Second time, That it shall be lawful for any Persons and Corporations, before the Four-and-twentieth Day of July One thousand Seven hundred and One, to pay to the respective Collectors, in One intire Payment, the whole Sum charged on any such Persons or Corporations for the Four Quarterly Payments, abating an Allowance, for prompt Payment, of Five Pounds per Centum per Annum upon every Sum so taxed, for Three Quarters of a Year only; which Allowance is declared to amount to Nine-pence out of any Twenty Shillings; and, after that Rate, for every greater or lesser Sum; and that the Collectors shall allow the same, provided the whole Tax be duly, and *bona fide*, paid down in ready Money, within the Time limited: And the Collectors shall give to the Party an Acquittance, specifying not only the whole Sum taxed, but also the Allowance made, and the Remainder in net Money, which shall have been actually received by the Collectors; and shall express the same in their Accounts; and shall be allowed the Defalcations so by them respectively made, with the Poundage which they are to have for their own Pains: Provided, That if any Tenant, or other Persons, who are required to pay the said Tax for their Landlords, or others, and have Power to defalk the same out of their Rents, do advance the said Tax, shall have the Benefit of the said Allowance for prompt Payment;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

Clause E and F, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Clause G being read a Second time, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend to charge or tax any Rector, Vicar, or Curate, who serves the Cure of Souls, and actually resides upon his Rectory, Vicarage, or Curacy, upon that Account only, unless it really and truly exceed the Value of Forty Pounds by the Year;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment :

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { M. Topham, } 67.  
                                  { Mr. Lawson :

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Wm. Strickland, } 72:  
                                  { Mr. Hopkins :

So it passed in the Negative.

The Residue of the Clauses, being severally read a Second time, were upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, for the better Collecting the Arrears of the Aids of One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, One thousand Six hundred Nine-nine, and One thousand Seven hundred :

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks filled up :

And then the same was, upon the Question put thereupon,

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thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another . . . . . was offered, to be added to the Bill, for the Enforcing Payment, and Collecting the Arrears, of Taxes due from the Officers of the *King's Bench* Prison:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks filled up:

And then the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, to injoin Collectors to account for what Money they received for such Lands or Houses, as were charged to the Aid granted in the Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, and were then unoccupied:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks filled up:

And then the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered, for Gentlemen, inhabiting in the County of *Middlesex*, although they have not One hundred Pounds per Annum in the County, to be Commissioners:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table;

It passed in the Negative.

Then an Amendment was proposed to be made in the Bill, Folio 31. to leave out "and the Hospital of *Horton* in the County of *Middlesex*, of the Foundation of *Robert Ask* Esquire, deceased; or to extend to charge the Charity of *Zachariah Jepson*, settled for Maintenance of Twelve poor Children in the Town of *Rippon*, in the County of *York*:"

And the Question being put, That the said Words do stand Part of the Bill;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made, Folio 40. Line the 17th, to add, after "*London*," these Words; "and all Salaries and Pensions arising and payable at the General Post Office:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the . . . was amended at the Table accordingly.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

Ordered, That the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, be taken into Consideration upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Low Wines,  
&c.

A Bill for granting several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices, and Pictures; and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Centum upon Muslins; and for improving the Duties upon japanned and lacquered Goods; and for continuing the Coinage Duty, for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned; was, according to Order, read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House upon the said Bill.

Supply Bill;  
appropriating  
Excise,  
&c.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds a Week out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Use; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his necessary Occasions; is committed; That they have Power to receive a Clause to explain the Law touching the Sealing of Measures in relation to the Universities.

Then the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House upon the said Bill.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the said Bill, and had made several Amendments; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the said Report be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House upon the Bill for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Duties upon Salt; and for collecting the same with less Charge to the Publick. Duties on Salt.

Ordered, That the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to *Greenwich* Hospital; be read a Second time upon *Thursday* Morning next, in a full House. Estates given to superstitious Uses.

Ordered, That Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Sir *John Parsons*, Mr. *Bliss*, Mr. *Cox*, and Mr. *Cholmley*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt is committed. Insolvent Debtors.

Ordered, That Sir *Barth. Shower*, Sir *Tho. Powys*, and Mr. Attorney General, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable his Majesty to make Grants, Leases, and Copies, of Offices, Lands, and Hereditaments, Parcel of his Duchy of *Cornwall*, or annexed to the same; and for Confirmation of Leases and Grants already made; is committed. Duchy of Cornwall Leases.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 9° die Junii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the Gaoler of *Whitechapel* Prison do attend this House To-morrow Morning. A Person to attend.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Gaspar Cordoso Harman Van't Wedde*, and others, was read the First time. Wedde's, &c. Nat.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for dissolving the Marriage of Sir *John Dillon* with *Mary Boyle*; and for other Purposes therein mentioned; was read the Third time. Dillon's Divorce.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mompesson* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

Ordered, That *John Bowden*, Keeper of *New Prison*, do attend this House To-morrow Morning. A Person to attend.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to change the Surname of *Ellis Mews*, and his Heirs, to the Surname of *Saint John*, was read the Third time. Mews' Name.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Jervois* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

Mr. *Brotherton* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable Sir *Thomas Stanley* to charge a certain Manor, and Lands, in the County of *Lancaster*, with Three thousand Pounds, for the Payment of his Sisters Portions and Stanley's Estate.

and Debts, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Irish Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to separate the Petitions touching the *Irish* Forfeitures, be made To-morrow Morning.

Pynyot's, &c. Nat.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Jacob Augustine Pynyot*, and others, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bridges* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Half-pay.

A Petition of *Nicolas Stokes*, a Quarter-master in Brigadier *Langston's* former Regiment of Horse, incorporated in other Regiments in *Flanders*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner served his Majesty in *Ireland* and *Flanders*; and, being unprovided for, and excluded the Benefit of Half-pay, hath contracted many Debts: And having several Children to provide for; praying, That the House will grant him the Benefit of his Service, by putting him on the same Foot for Half-pay with other Officers.

*Ordered*, That the Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report be made from the Committee appointed to inspect the Papers relating to Half-pay.

Army Arrears.

A Petition of Colonel *Baldwin Leighton* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is due to the Petitioner several Sums of Money for Arrears, and Disbursements, made by him for his Majesty's Service; for which he applied himself for Relief to the Commissioners appointed to state the Accounts of the Army, &c.; who, upon Examination, allowed the Demands just; but told the Petitioner, They did conceive the Act did not give them sufficient Power to satisfy the same: And praying such Relief as shall be thought fit.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Deale Waterworks.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for furnishing the Town of *New Deale* with fresh Water: And the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

1 P. 2 L. leave out from "Letters," to "to," in the 34th Line; and read "Patent, in the Fourth Year of his "Reign, grant to *Edward Burdett* and *William Ryder* "Esquires, full and sole Liberty to build a Conduit-head "upon the Beach, and lay Pipes through the Waste and "High-ways of *New Deale*, in order to bring fresh Water "to the said Town: And whereas the said *William Ryder* "did advance great Sums of Money upon the Credit of "the said Letters Patents; which being, in great part, "void in Law, and so proving ineffectual to make good "the said Undertaking, the said *William Ryder* is not "only in Danger to suffer great Loss, but the Publick "will receive great Prejudice, by the Failing of the said "Undertaking."

*Ordered*, That Sir *Robert Davers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments.

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An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of *Thomas Bennett*, late of *Newton cum Larton*, in the County of *Chester*, in Trustees, for the Use of the Poor of *West Kirby*, pursuant to the Will of the said *Thomas Bennett*, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That nothing in the Act contained shall extend to prejudice any Right, Title, or Interest, which *Letitia Hookes* Spinster, her Heirs, hath, or ought to have, in a certain Messuage, and Lands, called the *Rake-house*, lying in *Calde-Grange*:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Shackerley* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the Bill, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Mr. *Brotherton* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for making good the Deficiency of an Act, made in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of his present Majesty, intituled, An Act for the speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery-lane* to *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, and Places adjacent, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Harcourt* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Harcourt* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for continuing a former Act to prevent false and double Returns of Members to serve in Parliament, without any Amendments: And also,

To a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Sir *Charles Barrington* Baronet, to settle a Jointure, and make Provision for younger Children, without any Amendments: And also,

To a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting a Messuage and Lands in *Stevenage*, in the County of *Hertford*, the Estate of *Richard Nodes*, in Trustees, to be sold for making a Provision for his Wife and Children, equal to the Provision secured to them out of the said Estate, without any Amendments: Also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Jane Barkstead* Widow; and vesting several Mortgages and Securities in her, to enable her to convey or assign the same; without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Mr. *Bruges* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to draw up Articles of Impeachment, That they had drawn up Articles accordingly against *Charles Lord Halifax*; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered

West Kirby Poor Estate.

New Way to Lincoln's-inn fields.

Commissioners of Accounts.

Election Returns.

Barrington's Estate.

Node's Estate.

Barkstead's Nat.

Lord Halifax's Impeachment.



Lord  
Hallifax's  
Impeach-  
ment.

delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Articles exhibited by the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeesses, in Parliament assembled, in Maintenance of their Impeachment against *Charles Lord Hallifax*, of High Crimes and Misdemeanors.

1. WHEREAS several Persons, contrary to their Duty and Allegiance to his Majesty, and his late Royal Consort, of ever-blessed Memory, traiterously adhering to their Majesties Enemies, did levy and maintain, within their Majesties Realm of *Ireland*, a desperate and bloody War and Rebellion against their Majesties; and were, by his Majesty's Conduct and Courage, at the great Expence of his *English* Subjects, reduced to their due Obedience to the Crown of *England*: And whereas, upon the Fourth Day of April in the Year of our Lord One thousand Six hundred and Ninety, it was resolved by the Commons of *England*, in Parliament assembled, That a Bill should be brought in to attain all Persons guilty of Rebellion in *Ireland*, or elsewhere, against their Majesties King *William* and Queen *Mary*; and to enact and declare their Estates to be forfeited, and to be sold, for the Reducing of that Kingdom: And whereas his Majesty, in his gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament, did, upon the Fifth Day of January One thousand Six hundred and Ninety, assure them, That he would not make any Grant of the forfeited Lands in *Ireland*, till there should be another Opportunity of settling that Matter in Parliament, in such manner as should be thought most expedient: And whereas the Commons of *England*, in Parliament assembled, by their humble Address to his Majesty, upon the Fourth Day of March One thousand Six hundred Ninety-two, did humbly beseech his Majesty, That, according to the Assurance his Majesty had been pleased to give them, no Grant might be made of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, till there should be an Opportunity of settling that Matter in Parliament, in such manner as should be thought most expedient; to which his Majesty was pleased to give a most gracious Answer; whereby, and by many other Endeavours of the Commons in the following Sessions of Parliament, it appears, That what has since been declared by Act of Parliament, was the continued Sense of the Commons of *England*, That it was highly reasonable, that the forfeited Estates of Rebels and Traitors in *Ireland* should be applied in Ease of his Majesty's faithful Subjects of the Kingdom of *England*: And whereas it was the apparent Duty of every Officer or Minister of State to have had so much Regard to the Resolutions and Address of the House of Commons, to the publick Good, and his Majesty's Honour, as to have dissuaded and prevented, as much as in them lay, the procuring or passing any Grant or Grants of the said forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; yet *Charles* now Lord *Hallifax*, then the Honourable *Charles Montague* Esquire, being a Member of the Honourable House of Commons, One of the Lords of the Treasury, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and One of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, hath, since the aforesaid Fourth Day of March One thousand Six hundred Ninety-two, presumed to advise, pass, or direct the passing, a Grant to *Thomas Railton* Esquire, in Trust for himself, of several Debts, Interest, Sum and Sums of Money, amounting, in the Whole, to the Sum of Thirteen thousand Pounds, or thereabouts, due, owing, and which ought to have accrued, to his Majesty, by reason of the Attainders, Outlawries, or other Forfeitures, of the respective Persons for whom the same were entered on Record; whereby he hath much contributed to the Contracting great Debts upon the Nation, the Laying heavy Taxes upon the People, hath highly reflected on his Majesty's Honour, and failed in the Performance of his Trust and Duty.

2dly, Whereas, by an Act of Parliament, made in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of his Majesty's Reign, in-

tituled, An Act for granting an Aid to his Majesty, by Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, and by a Land-tax in *England*, for the several Purposes therein mentioned, it is, amongst other things, enacted, That all and every Person or Persons whatsoever, who had, by virtue of any Grant or Disposition from his Majesty, or from his Majesty and the late Queen, received, for his or their own Use or Benefit, any Debt or Debts, or Sum or Sums of Money whatsoever, due from any Debt or Debts of any forfeiting Persons, mentioned or described in the said Act, or from any Person or Persons subject or liable to the Payment of any Sum of Money whatsoever to any of the said forfeiting Persons, should be, and they are thereby declared to be, respectively liable, and are required to repay every such Debt or Debts, Sum or Sums of Money, whatsoever, so by him, her or them, respectively received, into the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer in *Ireland*, on or before the Twenty-fourth Day of August One thousand Seven hundred: And whereas the said *Charles Lord Hallifax* had, before the Making of the aforesaid Act, procured for *Thomas Railton* Esquire, in Trust for himself, a Grant of several Debts, by Judgments and otherwise, to several of the said forfeiting Persons, amounting to the Sum of Thirteen thousand Pounds, or thereabouts, forfeited to his Majesty by the Attainder, Outlawries, or other Forfeitures, of the respective Persons to whom such Debts were originally due; and, by virtue of the said Grant, the said Lord *Hallifax* actually received, to his own Use, the Sum of One thousand Pounds, Part of the before-mentioned Sum of Thirteen thousand Pounds; which said Sum of One thousand Pounds the said *Charles Lord Hallifax* ought to have repaid, before the said Twenty-fourth of August One thousand Seven hundred, into the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer in *Ireland*, as by the Act he was required to have done; yet the said *Charles Lord Hallifax* did not repay the said Sum of One thousand Pounds, as by the said Act he was required to do; but has hitherto, in Contempt of the Act, refused or neglected to repay the same; which Neglect or Refusal of him the said *Charles Lord Hallifax* to repay the said Sum of One thousand Pounds, is a manifest Wrong to his Majesty, and the Publick, and a Misapplication of that Sum to other Uses and Purposes than by the Act it is appropriated, and ought to have been applied.

3dly, That the said *Charles Lord Hallifax*, being a Member of the Honourable House of Commons, One of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord Treasurer of *England*, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and One of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, not contented with the many Employments, and Places of Honour, bestowed upon him by his Majesty, nor with the large and excessive Gains by him made by the Incomes and Profits arising from such Offices and Preferments, did, in Opposition to what he well knew to be the true Interest of *England*, and contrary to his Oath as a Privy Counsellor, and his Duty as a publick Minister, at a time when the Nation was engaged in a tedious and expensive War against *France* for preserving the Balance and Liberties of *Europe*, and under such heavy Debts, as, without laying unsupportable Taxes on the People, were impossible to be satisfied, advise, procure, and assent, not only to the Passing of divers Grants to others in *England* and *Ireland*, but did obtain, and accept of, several beneficial ones to, or in Trust for, himself: Which said Practices of him the said Lord *Hallifax* were a most notorious Abuse of his Majesty's Goodness, a great Breach of his Trust, and a very high Vexation and Oppression of his Majesty's other Subjects.

4thly, Whereas, by the Common Law, and by many Statutes and Ordinances of this Realm, it appears to have been the great Care of our Ancestors, that the King's Forests should be preserved, and, in particular, the Timber therein growing, for the Building and Repairing of the Navy Royal, which has ever been accounted, as it undoubtedly is, the great Security of this Realm: And whereas *Charles Lord Hallifax* was, in the Year of our Lord



Lord One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven, One of the Commissioners of the Treasury, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and One of his Majesty's Privy Council, and obliged, as well by repeated Oaths, as by the Duty he owed to his Majesty, and his Country, to have advised, consulted, and promoted, such Matters and Things as should, or at least were most likely to redound to his Majesty's Honour, and the Nation's Safety; yet the said *Charles Lord Halifax*, not regarding the Laws and Ordinances of this Realm, nor his said Duty to his Majesty, and the Publick, but pursuing his private Interest, did, by Letters of Privy Seal, bearing Date on or about the Sixth Day of May, which was in the Year of our Lord One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven, the Kingdom being then engaged in an expensive War, and the Debts of the Nation requiring the best and most frugal Management, procure from his Majesty a Grant to *Henry Segar* Gentleman, in Trust for himself, of the Sum of Fourteen thousand Pounds, of so much scrubbed Beach, Birch, Holly, Hazle, Thorns, and Orle, as should, by Sale, raise the said Sum of Fourteen thousand Pounds, to be fallen in his Majesty's Forest of *Dean*, in the County of *Gloucester*, within the Space of Seven Years time, from the Twenty-fifth Day of December One thousand Six hundred and Ninety-seven; under colour of which Grant, Beach of a much greater Value, great Number of Saplin Oaks, which might, and would, have been servicable to the Realm, and also many Tons of well-grown Timber, fit for the present Use of the Navy, have been cut, and fallen, and sold, and disposed of, for the Benefit of the said Lord *Halifax*.

5thly, Whereas there is not any thing that so much conduceth to his Majesty's and the Nation's Honour and Safety, as the due Ordering and Management of the King's Treasure, and the public Revenues, for the Receiving and Issuing forth of which the Wisdom and Policy of this Nation has provided and appointed several and distinct Officers, with beneficial Salaries, in order that they may be a Check to each other, and that no Loss may accrue to his Majesty, or the Publick, by the Corruption, Unskillfulness, or Negligence, of any particular Officer; yet he the said *Charles Lord Halifax*, being One of the Lords of the Treasury, when, by the Death of the Honourable Sir *Robert Howard*, the Office of the Auditor of the Receipts, and Writer of the Tallies, became vacant, not regarding the ancient Constitution, and approved Methods in ordering his Majesty's Treasury, and the publick Revenues, did grant, or procure to be granted, to *Christopher Mountague* Esquire, the Brother of him the said *Charles Lord Halifax*, and then one of the Commissioners of the Excise, the said Place and Office of Auditor of the Receipts, and Writer of the Tallies; which said Grant was so made and procured by the said Lord *Halifax*, in Trust, as to the Profits thereof, for himself; so that, from and after the Passing of the said Grant, he the said Lord *Halifax* was, in Effect, at the same time, One of the Commissioners of the Treasury, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Auditor of the Receipts, and Writer of the Tallies, and enjoyed the Profits of the said several Offices; which, by the Constitution of the Treasury, are manifestly inconsistent, and never were, or ought to be, trusted in the same Person; the Making and Procuring of which said Grant by him the said *Charles Lord Halifax*, as aforesaid, was a manifest Violation of the established Course and Constitution of the Exchequer, a Breach of his Trust, of evil Example, and tended very much to the great Loss and Prejudice of his Majesty, and the Publick, by opening a Way to all manner of corrupt Practices in the future Management of the Revenues.

6thly, Whereas a Treaty and Alliance between *Leopold* the Emperor of *Germany*, and the States General of the *United Provinces*, was made, and concluded, in the Year of our Lord One thousand Six hundred Eighty-nine, upon the Consideration of the Greatness of the common Danger, which then threatened all *Christendom*, from the excessive Power of *France*, and the unconstant Faith of the *French* in the Observance of Treaties; whereby it

was agreed, there should be, and remain for ever, a constant, perpetual, and inviolable Friendship, and good Correspondence, between his Imperial Majesty and the States General; That each of them should be obliged to promote the other's Interest; and, as much as in them lay, prevent all Damages and Inconveniences to each other:

Lord  
Halifax's  
Impeachment.

And whereas certain separate Articles were also, at or about that time, made and annexed to the aforesaid Treaty; whereby the States General, maturely considering, that *France* had openly declared, in several Courts, That, notwithstanding the most solemn Renunciation, they continued their Pretension, by Force of Arms, to assert, for the *Dauphin*, the Succession of the *Spanish* Monarchy, in case the King of *Spain* should die without Issue; and also considering, what a Blow their State would receive, and what Prejudice might happen thereby to the publick Affairs and Quiet; did promise, That, in case his said Catholick Majesty should die without Issue, they would, with all their Force, assist his said Imperial Majesty, or his Heirs, in taking the Succession of the *Spanish* Monarchy, lawfully belonging to that House, together with its Kingdoms, Dominions, and Rights; and in their obtaining and securing the quiet Possession thereof, against the *French*, and their Adherents, who should, directly or indirectly, oppose that Succession; and, with Force, repel the Force which should be brought against them:

That, at the Instance of the States General, in pursuance of the said Treaty, and separate Articles, our most gracious Lord and Sovereign, his most Excellent Majesty King *William* the Third, was invited to enter into the Alliance of the aforesaid Treaty, and into the Agreement of the said separate Articles; and thereupon, for restoring and preserving the publick Peace and Quiet, did afterwards, in the said Year of our Lord One thousand Six hundred Eighty-nine, enter into, and, under the Great Seal of *England*, accept, approve, and ratify, and, in the most solemn manner, engage and promise, religiously and inviolably, to observe the same, without violating the said Treaty, or separate Articles, in any Article, or suffering the same, to the utmost of his Power, to be violated:

That, in the Year of our Lord One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, a Treaty was projected and contrived in *France*, to be set on foot between his Majesty, the *French* King, and the States General, for a Partition of the *Spanish* Monarchy; whereby many large Territories thereunto belonging, in case of the Decease of the King of *Spain*, without Issue, were to be allotted and delivered up to *France*:

The Tenour and Design of which last mentioned Treaty, whilst the same was in Negotiation, was communicated to the said *Charles Lord Halifax*, then One of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord Treasurer, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and One of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council: That the said *Charles Lord Halifax*, well knowing the most apparent evil Consequences, as well as the Injustice, of the said Partition, did not, according to the Trust and the Duty of the said several Offices, dissuade, or endeavour to obstruct, its taking Effect; but, on the contrary, having neither Regard to his Majesty's Honour, engaged by the above-mentioned Treaty with the Emperor and the States General, to the Trade and known Interest of these Kingdoms, or the Peace of *Europe*, did advise his Majesty to enter into the said Treaty; and did so far encourage and promote the same, that the said Treaty was concluded and ratified, under the Great Seal of *England*: Which said Treaty was evidently destructive of the Trade of this Realm, a Breach of the former Treaty, made with the Emperor in One thousand Six hundred Eighty-nine, dishonourable to his Majesty, highly injurious to the Interest of the Protestant Religion, and manifestly tended to disturb the general Peace of *Europe* by altering the Balance of Power therein, and strengthening *France* against the good Friends, and ancient Allies, of our Sovereign Lord the King.

And the said Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, by Protestation, saving to themselves the Liberty of exhibiting

exhibiting, at any time hereafter, any further Articles, or other Accusation or Impeachment, against the said Lord *Halifax*; and also of replying to his Answers, which he shall make unto the said Articles, or any of them; and of offering Proofs to all and every of the aforesaid Articles, and to all and every other Articles, Impeachment, or Accusation, which shall be exhibited by them, as the Case shall, according to the Course of Parliament, require; do pray, That the said *Charles Lord Halifax* may be put to answer the said Crimes and Misdemeanors; and that such Proceedings, Examinations, Tryals, and Judgments, may be thereupon had and given, as is agreeable to Law and Justice.

And upon the Motion for the Ingrossing of the said Articles;

Exceptions taken to a Member's Words.

Sir *William St. Quintin* having uttered some Words in his Speech, to which the House took Exceptions, they were directed to be taken down by the Clerk; and are as follow; viz.

"I do not oppose the carrying up these Articles; for, I think, they are to this Lord's, or noble Lord's, eternal Honour and Reputation."

Whereupon he was admitted to explain himself: And thereupon he declared, That he did not speak those Words upon any premeditated Malice, or to reflect upon the House; and begged Pardon of the House:

Upon which the House were satisfied, and proceeded no further.

Ordered, That the said Articles be ingrossed.

Message from Lords respecting the Impeachments.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Grey*:

Mr. Speaker,

We are commanded, by the Lords, to acquaint this House, That, in Answer to the Message of the House of Commons, of the Fourth Instant, the Lords say, by their Message sent on the Third, wherein they declare themselves ready to proceed to the Trial of any of the impeached Lords, whom the Commons should be first ready to begin with, they have given a full Proof of their Willingness to comply with the Commons, in any thing which may appear reasonable, in order to the speedy Determining of the Impeachments now depending: And therefore, as the Lords conceive the Commons had no Occasion to begin any Dispute on that Head, so their Lordships are careful to decline entering into a Controversy, which seems to them to be of no Use at present.

The Lords think themselves obliged to assert their undoubted Right to appoint a Day for the Trial of any Impeachment depending before them, if they see good Cause for it; without any previous Signification from the Commons of their being ready to proceed; which Right is warranted by many Precedents, as well as consonant to Justice and Reason; and their Lordships, according to the Example of their Ancestors, will always use that Right with a Regard to the equal and impartial Administration of Justice, and with a due Care to prevent unreasonable Delays.

This being the Case, The Lords cannot but wonder, that the Commons, without any Foundation for it, should make use of Expressions, which, as their Lordships conceive, have never been used before by one House of Parliament to another; and which, if the like were returned, must necessarily destroy all good Correspondence between the Two Houses.

The last Part of the Commons Message being, in Effect, a Repetition only of their former, of the One-and-thirtieth of May, to which the Lords have already returned a full Answer, their Lordships think it not requisite to say more, than that they cannot apprehend with what Colour their calling upon the House of Commons to send up Articles against Two Lords, whom the Commons have so long since impeached in general Terms, can be said to tend to the Delay of Justice: And therefore, as the Lords think the Commons ought to have forbore that Reflection, so

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their Lordships, in saying no more upon the Occasion of this Message of the Commons, think they have given a convincing Proof of their Moderation, and of their sincere Desire of preserving a good Correspondence between the Two Houses; which is so necessary for the publick Security, as well as doing Right upon the Impeachments. Also,

That the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the better Performance of the last Will of *Henry Apsley* Esquire, deceased, without any Amendments.

Apsley's Will.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ordered, That the said Message, relating to the Impeachments, be referred to the Committee, who were appointed to draw up Articles of Impeachment, and search Precedents, to draw up an Answer thereunto.

Lords Message referred.

An ingrossed Bill, for granting to his Majesty an Aid, for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions; was read Third time:

Supply Bill; Land Tax.

And several Amendments were severally proposed to be made in the Bill; which were, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Press. 4. L. 24. to leave out "Six," and insert "Eight."

Pr. 19. L. 29. after "*Russell*," to insert "One of the Sons."

L. 30. after "*Cavendish*," insert "One of the Sons."

Pr. 79. L. 9. after "*Cheine*," to insert "of the Kingdom of *Scotland*."

L. 10. after "*Walden*," to insert "Son and Heir apparent to the Earl of *Suffolk*."

Press. 90. L. 33. after "*Russell*," to insert "One of the Sons of the late Duke of *Bedford*."

Press. 98. L. \* after "*Kilmorerey*," to insert "of the Kingdom of *Ireland*."

Press. 113. L. 25. after "Gentlemen," to leave out "*William Porter*, of *Framlingham*."

Press. 119. L. 2. after "*Walden*," to insert "Son and Heir apparent of the Earl of *Suffolk*."

Press. 116. L. 43. after "Stocks," to insert "and for such Salaries and Pensions."

Pr. 176. L. 29. after "*Windsor*," to insert "for their Pensions, payable out of the Exchequer only."

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for granting to his Majesty an Aid for defraying the Expence of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for One Year; and for other necessary Occasions.

Ordered, That Mr. *Conyers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Gery*:

The Lords appoint a Day for Lord Somers' Trial.

Mr. Speaker,

We are commanded by the Lords to acquaint this House, That the Lords have appointed the Trial of *John Lord Somers* on *Friday* next, on the Impeachment against him by this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for granting several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices, and Pictures; and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Cent. upon Muslins; and for improving the Duties upon japanned and lacquered Goods; and for continuing the Coinage Duty for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned.

Supply Bill; Duties on Low Wines.

Ordered,

Committees. Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Martis, 10<sup>o</sup> die Junii;

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

JOHN Bowmer, Michael Bowmer, Gideon L'Eglise, and James Perrot, took the Oaths appointed in Order to their Naturalization.

Bagneol's &c. Nat. An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Peter Bagneol, Daniel Senault*, and others, was read the First time,

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Hyde's Estate. An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of *Humphrey Hyde* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, for raising Portions for his younger Children, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Lord Cornbury do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the Bill, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

New Way to Lincoln's-inn-fields. An ingrossed Bill for making good the Deficiency of an Act made in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of his present Majesty, intituled, An Act for the speedy and effectual making a convenient Way out of *Chancery-lane* to *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, and Places adjacent, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for making good the Deficiency of the Charges of making a Way out of *Chancery-lane* into *Lincoln's inn-fields*.

Ordered, That Mr. Brotherton do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

King's Bench and Fleet Prisons. A Petition of *John Clements* Gentleman, Dame *Mary Low*, *Catherine Venne* Widow, and others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Thomas Bromhall*, Warden of the Fleet, did, by Deed dated the Third of May One thousand Six hundred Seventy-eight, mortgage to the Petitioner *John Clement* all the Office of the Fleet Prison, and Mansion-house thereof, and Thirteen Houses adjoining to the said Mansion-house, and all the Shops, Stalls, and Standings, in *Westminster-hall*, for Five hundred Years, for the valuable Consideration of Two thousand Two hundred Ninety-nine Pounds; in which Deed it is declared, That the Petitioner *Clements* was possessed of the Premises, to the Use of himself, for Two hundred and Seven Pounds; to the Use of Mrs. *Dorothy Barter*, Two hundred and Fifty Pounds; and, for the Residue of the said Two thousand Two hundred Ninety-nine Pounds, in Trust for the rest of the Petitioners, and other Persons under whom they now claim: The principal Money, and Interest, due upon the said Mortgage, now amounts unto Four thousand Eight hundred Pounds, and upwards: That the Petitioners are advised, if the Bill now depending should pass, as it is now drawn up, with the Amendments, made by the House of Peers, relating to the Fleet Prison, the Petitioners Right, by virtue of the said Mortgage, will be extinguished, and the said Principal and Interest wholly lost: And praying, That a Saving Clause may be added to the said Bill, to preserve their Interest in the Premises; as hath been already done, by the House of Peers, for the Earl of *Radnor*, relating to his Interest in the Prison of the King's Bench.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table,

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until the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the said Bill, be taken into Consideration.

A Petition of *Mary Gabriel, Elizabeth Simons, Emery Solsby*, being Wives of registered Seamen, on behalf of themselves, and many others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners Husbands are all registered some Years since, and have constantly served his present Majesty; but have not received any Money, although his Majesty, and the Parliament, were pleased to allow them Forty Shillings per Annum; for want of which Payment, the Petitioners, and many other Families, are exposed to great Necessities: And praying, That the House would grant them such Relief as shall seem most reasonable.

Registered Seamen's Pay.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Provost and Corporation of Moneyers was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, for these several Hundred Years last past, have been incorporated into a Company, or Body Politick; and, in all that time, have made good, and are obliged to answer, all Gold and Silver committed to their Charge: That, upon any Expedition of Coinage, . . . were and are forced to take to their Assistance great Numbers of strange Men, as Fifty or an Hundred, and sometimes Two or Three Hundred, or more, for the forwarding the Business of the Mint, and Service of the Publick; for all which the Petitioners are answerable: That the Petitioners have frequently been most notoriously abused by some Servants, and their Accomplices, who, under Pretence of seeing the Coinage, have robbed the Petitioners of great Sums of Money; so that, upon modest Computation, . . . have, at the last great Coinage, and since, lost above Six thousand Pounds: That several of them, for such Robberies, have been prosecuted and convicted, and have afterwards obtained the Benefit of the Clergy; and that, notwithstanding such Punishment, such Robberies are often committed: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises; and to order, That Leave be given to bring in a Clause, to be added to some Bill, for making such Crimes Felony, without Benefit of Clergy.

Moneyer's Company.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices, and Pictures; and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars and Petty Chapmen; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Centum upon Muslins; and for improving the Duties upon japanned and lacquered Goods; and for continuing the Coinage Duty for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned; is committed.

A Petition of *John Scoppens* and *Thomas Viroote*, on behalf of themselves, and others, Masters and Owners of the Dutch Transport Ships taken up and employed in the Reduction of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners were, by his Majesty's special Command, hired in *Holland*, for that Service, in One thousand Six hundred Ninety, and One thousand Six hundred Ninety-one; and there became due to them for the same, Twenty-one thousand Eight hundred Fifty-five Pounds, as appears by their stated Accounts: That the Parliament making Provision, in One thousand Six hundred Ninety-five, for the Payment of Interest at Five Pounds per Cent. for the Irish Transport Debt, being the same Debt the Petitioners were engaged in, hoped to have had the Benefit thereof; and in Expectation of obtaining the same, have desisted from applying to the House for Satisfaction, although the Petitioners, to the Number of Five hundred, and their Families, have been exposed to the utmost Hardships for want thereof: But, as the Petitioners are informed, that the Provision, so made, does not respect their Debt, but the Debt of the

Transport Debt.

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*English* Transports only; and that they cannot have Debentures for their Debts, as the *English* Transports have had, by reason the Act for that Purpose does not, as is alleged, sufficiently warrant the same, the Petitioners being foreign Owners; although Three hundred Thirty thousand Seven hundred Sixty-nine Pounds Ten Shillings and Seven-pence, for which Interest was to be paid by the said Act, doth exceed the Sum owing for that Service, after the Petitioners Debts shall be therein concluded, as hath been certified by the late Commissioners for Transports by their Report: And praying the Consideration of the House; and to allow a Clause in some Act, whereby the Petitioners Debts may be declared to be included within the said Three hundred Thirty thousand Seven hundred Sixty-nine Pounds Ten Shillings and Seven-pence, for which Interest was to be paid.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report be made from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom, was committed.

Sending  
Servants to  
Plantations.

Mr. *Yates* reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Merchants trading to the *English* Plantations in *America* was referred, That they had directed him to move the House, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to prevent Abuses in transporting Servants to his Majesty's Plantations in *America*.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent Abuses in transporting Servants to his Majesty's Plantations in *America*: And that Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Harley*, and Mr. *Clayton*, do prepare and bring in the same.

Edward Fox, Colonel and Captain.  
Spencer Broughton, Lieutenant Colonel and Captain.  
Robert Collingwood, Major and Captain.  
Tho. Heslith, Chaplain.

Mr. *Bruges* reported from the Committee appointed to inspect the Papers, before the House, relating to Half-pay, That they had inspected the same accordingly; and had directed him to report the Matter to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

That the Committee have gone through the Establishment of Half-pay, referred to them by this House, the same commencing from the Twenty-sixth Day of March last; and, having examined the Commanding Officers of several Regiments, do find, That the Charge of the said Establishment, amounting to	£.	s.	d.
	51,734	6	7
Will be lessened by the Officers since dead, or otherwise provided for, by	3,336	14	2
So that the remaining Charge will be	48,397	12	5

That, as to the Estimate of 2,200*l.* Part of the 48,397*l.* 12*s.* 5*d.* for the Officers of Colonel *Fox's* Regiment, lately disbanded in the *Leeward Islands*, are daily expected home;

*Spencer Broughton* the Lieutenant Colonel and Captain of the said Regiment, attended the said Committee; and laid before them a List of the Officers of that Regiment living, and unprovided for, at his coming to *England*, which was in March last; whereby it appeared, That but One Captain, One Ensign, and the Surgeon, were dead out of that Regiment.

Which List is as followeth; viz.

Henry Harris, Adjutant and Quartermaster.  
Tho. Merick, Surgeon, dead.  
Gabriel Granwall, Surgeon's Mate.

Captains.	Lieutenants.	Ensigns.
John Wildbor.	Robert Thornton, Captain Lieutenant.	Tho. Skinner.
Francis Collingwood.	Henry Harris.	Robert Collingwood.
Robert Kemp.	Daniel Senault, Lieutenant.	Edward Atkinson.
Tho. Delavall, dead.	Arthur Booth.	Henry Brooks.
Charles Monger.	Reve Digoine.	Isaac Dronart.
Francis Foulk.	Wooten Ugse.	Tho. Merick, dead.
Henry Lyon.	Rich. Mullins.	James Collier.
Humphrey Cory.	James Stewart.	Isaac Duplex.
Rich. Oxenden.	Peter Bagneal.	Hugh Bellasege.
George Harrison.	William Lee.	

This is a true List of the Officers of Colonel *Fox's* Regiment.

May 28th, 1701.

*Spencer Broughton.*

## AN ACCOUNT of Vacancies in the Establishment of Half-pay, by Persons, intitled to such Half-pay, being dead, or otherwise provided for.

## Colonel Leigh's Regiment.

Captains.	Lieutenants.	Cornets.	Quartermasters.
	per Diem. s. d.	per Diem. s. d.	
	John Nicholson - - - - 3 0	John Usher - - - - 2 6	
Regiments.	Captains.	Lieutenants.	Ensigns.
			per Diem. s. d.
The late Duke of Bolton's.	John Powell - - - - 4 8		
Colonel Thomas Brudenall's.	Lieutenant Colonel John Hubbard, as } Lieutenant Colonel and Captain } Neh. Farmer - - - - 4 8	John Fullford, Quartermaster, 2s.	Tho. Lloyd - - - - 1 10 Samuel Francis - - - - 1 10
Colonel Thomas Saunderson's.	Major Rich. Sutton, as Major and Captain 7 2		John Patridge - - - - 1 10 Nic. Tyrwhit - - - - 1 10 John Daulton - - - - 1 10
Colonel Row's.	Henry Worthy - - - - 4 8		
Colonel John Gibson's.	Geo. Watkins - - - - 4 8	David Gibson - - - - 2 4	
Colonel Thomas Farrington's.	Sam. Pitman - - - - 4 8		
	Royal Regiment of DRAGOONS.		
Captains.	Lieutenants.	Cornets.	Quartermasters.
	John Richardson - - - - 3 0		John Anderson - - - - 2 0
	Colonel Lloyd's Regiment.		
			Cha. Hedlam - - - - 2 0
	Earl of Essex's Regiment.		
Fran. St. George - - - - 5 6			

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Regiments.	Captains.	Lieutenants.		Ensigns.	per Diem. s. d.
		per Diem. s. d.	per Diem. s. d.		
Brigadier Selwyn's.	Wm. Kingsly - - - - -	4 8		Robert Wansborough - - -	1 10
Major General Churchill's.	Joshua Churchill - - - - -	4 8			
Brigadier Trelawny's.	John Lloyd - - - - -	4 8	Leonard Fish - - - - -		
The late Colonel Russell's.			Geo. Paine - - - - -		
Sir Cloudesly Shovell's.	Geo. Rodney - - - - - John Thornhill - - - - -	4 8 4 8			
Colonel Wm. Seymour's.	Colonel Wm. Seymour - - - - -	11 4			
Colonel Edward Dutton Colt's.	Colonel Edw. Dutton Colt - - - Major Henry Grove - - - - -	11 4 7 2		Robert Pargiter - - - - -	1 10
Colonel Hen. Mordaunt's.			John Sait - - - - -	Tho. Brown - - - - -	1 10
Colonel Tho. Brudenall's.	Benj. Bennet - - - - - Robert Hill - - - - -	4 8 4 8	Hen. Killegrew - - - - -		
Major General Lumley's.				John Petter, Chaplain, 3s. 4d.	
Colonel Lloyd's.				John Hilson, Chaplain, 3s. 4d.	
Royal Regiment of Fusileers.			James Wilboaux - - - - - Jervase Barker - - - - - Greg. Ordiume - - - - -		
Colonel's Brudenall's Marine Regiment.	Benj. Bennet - - - - - Rob. Hill - - - - -	4 8 4 8	Henry Killegrew - - - - -		
Commissary of the Musters	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	George Buyng - - - - -	10 0

Total per Diem - - - - - £. s. d.  
per Annum - - - - - £. s. d.

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Ordered,

*Ordered*, That the said Report do lie upon the Table, until the Clause of Appropriation be brought in.

Justices of  
Peace Qua-  
lification.

Sir *Humphrey Mackworth* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for qualifying Justices of Peace was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, to except some Counties out of the Act:

And the same was twice read with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up:

And then the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House, to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, to exempt Barristers at Law out of the Bill.

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up to the Table:

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, for Commissions of the Peace to be made *gratis*:

And the same was twice read; and amended; and afterwards agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

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Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the Town of *Nottingham*; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

Upon the Petition of *Robert Sacheverell* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of *George Gregory* Esquire, to serve for the Town of *Nottingham*:

That the Right of Election was agreed to be in the Mayor, Freemen, and Freeholders of 40s. a Year.

It was also agreed, That the eldest Sons of Freemen, by their Birth; the younger Sons of Freemen, who have served Seven Years Apprenticeship whether in *Nottingham*, or elsewhere; and also Persons as have served Seven Years Apprenticeship to any Freeman of *Nottingham*; were well intitled to demand their Freedom.

That, upon the Poll, there were,

For the Sitting Member Mr. *Gregory* 558.

For the Petitioner - - - 534.

But the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That they should, by taking off from Mr. *Gregory's* Poll, and adding to their own, make themselves a Majority: And they also insisted, That there had been several ill Practices by the Sitting Member, in procuring Votes.

And, First, the Petitioner's Counsel proceeded to give an Account of such Persons as had a Right to their Freedoms, and had been denied to be made free; and would have voted for the Petitioner, and were refused: And they called,

*Sam. Smith*: Who said, That *John Stevens* did serve *Wm. Pery*, a Freeman of *Nottingham*; and had demanded his Freedom Thirty or Forty times within these Two or Three Years last past:

That *Wm. Leverton* had served *Henry Brown*, a Freeman; and had demanded Three times within a Year and an Half; but was refused, because he had waited upon a Gentleman out of Town Part of his Time:

That *Nathnael Wild* had served a Freeman; and demanded his Freedom Three Years ago; and was refused, because he lived out of Town:

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That *Edward Gunthorpe* had served his Father, a Freeman; and demanded his Freedom Five Months before the Election; and was refused, because he was under Age:

That *William Dunn* had served one *Bridges*, a Bricklayer; and had demanded his Freedom Five Months ago, and before that, and was refused:

That *John Brudley* was Apprentice with his Father; and had demanded his Freedom several times Five or Six Months ago; and was refused, because he lived in the Country:

That *Sam. Anthony* had served *William Brinkhurst*; and was refused Five Months ago, and before, because he lived out of Town:

That *Wm. Chamberlain* had served his Father; but it was acknowledged he had been condemned for Horse-stealing:

That *Samuel Roberts* was Apprentice to *Thomas Figures*; and demanded his Freedom Five Months before the Election; and was refused, because he did not produce his Indentures:

That *Francis Pettison* was the Second Son of a Freeman, and served his Father; and was refused, because his Father lived out of Town:

That *Tho. Burden* served *Thomas Bonny*; and was refused, because he was married, although it was after his Apprenticeship:

That *Joshua Skinner* served *John Lodin*; and was refused, because his Master lived out of Town:

That *John Weston* served *Geo. Kenning*; but was refused, because his Indentures were looked upon a fraudulent:

That *Francis Sister* served *Benjamin Ryley*; but was refused, because he served Part of his Time out of Town:

That *Alexander Cormorick* served *Richard Redbour*; but was refused for the like Cause:

That *Stephen Longstone* served *Jeffery Lichman*; and was refused, because he lived out of Town:

That *Wm. Bartram* was refused for the like Cause:

That *John Staples* served *John Clerk*; but was refused, because his Master was not free, though he follows a Trade in Town:

That *Daniel Noble* served *Thomas Goddard*; and was refused for the like Cause, though *Tho. Goddard's* Name was taken on the Poll:

To prove *Solomon Baker* and *John Baker* were free, he produced the Copy of their Burgess Oath; which, *Smith* said, was usual to deliver to them at the time of the making free:

That *John Roberts* served *Joshua Walker*; but was refused, because his Master was not free:

That *George Burton* served *Christopher Rooke*; but was refused, because he was married:

That *John Mabbott*, the Son a Freeman, served *John Pywell*; and was refused, because he lived out of Town:

That *Stephen Ragg* follows the Trade of a Carpenter in Town, and has voted several times:

That *John Winter* served *Hugh Smith*, Plasterer, and follows the Trade of a Plasterer; and was refused, because, Part of his Time of his Apprenticeship, he had been in the King's Service:

That *William Crofts* was a Freeman; but it was acknowledged, that he was disfranchised:

That *William Blackstone* is a reputed Burgess, and hath frequently voted:

That *Patricius Goodall* is a Freeman by Purchase:

That *William Roe* is free; but lives out of Town:

That *John Sandifer* always enjoyed the Privilege of a Freeman; and his Apprentice's Vote was accepted.

That *Gervase Sully*, *William Nicholson*, and *Joseph Hawkins*, are reputed Freemen, and have frequently voted.

And Mr. *Smith* said, That these several Persons would have voted for Mr. *Pierrepont* and Mr. *Sacheverell*, and were refused; and that several of them were asked who they were for, before they were refused:

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That *Joseph Baggaley, Wm. Sweeting, Edward Rason, Sam. Lawson, John Merry, Henry Innocent, John Wood*, were reputed Freemen; and that *Jos. Crampton, Jos. Ragg, Thomas, and James*, were intitled to their Freedoms, and were refused; and that as well these last-mentioned Freemen, as these intitled to their Freedoms, would have polled for the Petitioner, and *Mr. Pierrepont*; but were not admitted so to do.

That the Petitioner's Counsel objected to *Jos. Willis*, and *Jos. Kirke*:

*Mr. Smith*, and *Jon. Trueman*, said, That *Jos. Willis* polled as a Freeman; and that he paid Toll, which no Freeman does.

*Mr. John Wood* was called as to *Kirk*: Who pretended to give some Account of the Title he had to his Estate; but, in fact, it was admitted he had sworn himself to be a Freeholder; which satisfied the Committee in that Point.

The next Thing the Petitioner's Counsel proceeded on was, indirect Practices by the Sitting Member: And, in the First place, with respect to several, that had voted for the Sitting Member: And called several Witnesses:

*Sam. Parsons* said, That he had engaged himself to be for *Master Pierrepont*, and *Mr. Sacheverell*: And that *Samuel Richards*, who solicited Votes for *Mr. Gregory*, desired his Vote for *Mr. Gregory*; and told him, He should have the Advantage of having 10*l.* of the *Coventry* Charity lent him: That the said *Parsons* insisted to have 5*l.* down: *Mr. Richards* gave him a Note for it; and he accordingly received it: But it was acknowledged, That the 5*l.* was to be repaid when he received the 10*l.*; and that *Thomas Wright* was bound with him for it.

*Jonathan Morley* said, That about *Christmas Day*, the Mayor, and *Mr. Gregory*, and *Mr. Green*, were together; and that, being at *Mr. Gregory's* House, he heard *Burley* tell *Mr. Gregory*; He had got Four or Five Votes for him; and laid out all his Money to hire Votes: And *Mr. Gregory* said, He should have more; and that *Mr. Gregory* ordered his Butler to give them Beer.

*John Creswell* said, That he had 5*s.* of *James More*; 10*s.* of *Benjamin Green*; 10*s.* of *Taylor*, and Half a Crown; of *Fosbrook*, a Pair of Shoes; to vote for *Mr. Gregory*; which *More, Green, Taylor*, and *Fosbrook*, he said, were Agents for *Mr. Gregory*:

That he had 5*s.* of one *Hallom*, to swear, that *Ned Brown*, an Agent of *Mr. Sacheverell*, had given him 5*s.*; but did not promise so to do, though he received the Money:

That there was a Paper written at *Alderman Richards's* House, importing, That he had received 10*s.* of *Mr. Pierrepont*, and 10*s.* of *Mr. Sacheverell*, which was tendered to him to be signed; but he refused to do it; and thereupon one *Barrow* put his Name to it, by *Mr. Watkinson's* the Mayor's Order; and that, after he had declared the Contents of the Paper was not true, *Alderman Richards*, and *Sam. Richards*, pressed him to sign it: And that the Mayor told him, If he would not be a Witness for them, he would press him: And that, the Night before the Election, he, and some others, that voted for *Mr. Gregory*, were locked up at one *More's* House, that they might not go to the other Party; and were treated with Roast Beef and Ale:

That he saw *Sam. Ash* receive Money:

That *Matth. Dalwater*, had 10*s.* of *Green*, about Three Days before the Election:

That *Edward Robbins* received 5*s.* of one *Amos*, another Agent for *Mr. Gregory*; and he himself 10*s.*:

That *Thomas Burley* received of *James More*, who came to hire him, a Fortnight before the Election, 11*s.*; one Half for himself; the other Half to hire Votes; and, with the 5*s.* 6*d.* hired Three Votes; namely, *John Davy, Francis Summer*, and *Dalwater*.

*Mary Lee* said, That, at Eleven a Clock on *Monday* before the Election, going by *Mr. Gregory's* House, *Mr. Gregory* gave *Burley* about a Crown-piece, in the publick Street; and said, It was to hire Votes.

*Jacob Tibson* said, *Simeon Ash* had promised his Vote for *Mr. Sacheverell* Three Months before the Election; and, finding him afterwards revolting, he asked him the Reason; and the said *Tibson* told him, He had 40*s.* of *Green*, and a Stocking-frame.

*Jon. Hollis* said, That *Jos. Dobbs* declared, He had 10*s.* to vote for *Mr. Gregory*.

*Wm. Kitchen* said, The Night before the Election, he received 1*s.* of *Benj. Green*, and another Shilling of *Tho. Oldham*, *Mr. Gregory's* Servant, to make *Mr. Gregory's* Voters drink: And *Oldham* told *Kitchen*, It would be less taken notice of from him.

*Tho. Wilcox* said, That he had promised *Mr. Sacheverell* and *Mr. Pierrepont* his Vote; but *Sam. Richards* desired his Vote for *Mr. Gregory*; on that Account lent him 21*s.* 6*d.* to vote for *Mr. Gregory*; and that he drank the Day off, and paid nothing for it.

*James Baker* said, That he had promised his Vote for *Master Pierrepont* and *Mr. Sacheverell*; but, a Fortnight before the Election, the Mayor offered to lend him 10*l.* of *Coventry* Money, if he would vote for *Mr. Gregory*: He said, He had not the Money; for the Mayor told him, It was gone: He acknowledged the Disposition of *Coventry* Money was in the Mayor and Council of *Nottingham*.

*Richard Lawrence* said, That *John Goodwin* told him, He had 5*s.* of *Amos*, on account of his Vote; and 5*s.* at another time of *James More*; and Eighteen-pence at another time; and besides he forgave him a Debt of 14*s.*

*Tho. Wilcox* said, *John Goodwin* told him, He had a Pair of Hose and Shoes to vote for *Mr. Gregory*; but he did not tell him of whom.

*John Trueman* said, That *William Wogden* said, He had Money of *Mr. Gregory's* Side, or he would not have been for him:

That *Joshua Flower* told him, He received 6*s.* 6*d.* of *Green*, or he would not have voted for *Mr. Gregory*:

That *Wm. Farmer* said, He had received Money of the Mayor; and therefore he durst not vote for *Mr. Sacheverell*.

*Jacob Tibson* said, That, about November last, one *Jos. Boot* told him, That he, and one *Skinner*, had 1*s.* apiece from *Mr. Gregory*; and that he drank what he would.

*Jon. Hollis* said, That *Geo. Tibson* desired *William Alicock's* Vote for *Mr. Gregory*; which he refusing, he was arrested; and *Mr. Sacheverell* not thinking fit to release him, *Ben. Green* afterwards told him, he had paid 3*l.* for him to vote for *Mr. Gregory*:

That *Green* desired him to get what Votes he could out of the Way, and he would give him a Guinea to carry a Letter; but he did not go:

And that *Davy* told him, He would be kinder to him than his Father and Mother, if he would be for *Mr. Gregory*:

That the Mayor said, That there would come 300*l.* from *Coventry*; and every one should have 10*l.*

*Joshua Tibson* said, That, about a Fortnight before the Election, he had 10*s.* of *Mr. Gregory*, to drink his Health: He said, He believed it was given with respect to his Vote; but it had no Influence on him, because he was resolved to vote for *Mr. Gregory* and *Sir Scroop Howe*.

That the next thing the Petitioner's Counsel proceeded on was, as to ill Practices in general: And for that they called several Witnesses:

*Henry Mold* said, That the Mayor solicited Votes for *Mr. Gregory*; and that several of the Votes, a Fortnight and Week before the Election, being at the Mayor's when he was there, would say, They would have 6*d.* or Ale, or Strong Waters, or Victuals; and had what they called for: Another time, some others came to the Mayor to the Tavern, and drank, and borrowed Money; and the Mayor bid them stand fast: That the Mayor said, There was drank amongst the Voters, at his House, some Weeks, Three Hogsheads: That he would not tell who paid the Expence; but those that eat and drank voted for *Sir Scroop Howe* and *Mr. Gregory*.

*Tho. Jalland* said, That *Samuel Rickards* gave him 20s. to go out of Town on the Election-day, he having before declared, That he had promised to be for *Master Pierrepont* and *Mr. Sacheverell*; but he said, he came to Town the next Day, and did vote for them.

*Edward Ward* said, That the Mayor offered, that he should have 10*l.* of the *Coventry* Money, if he would be for *Sir Scroop How* and *Mr. Gregory*; that he would have given him 20s.: and *Mr. Gregory* would have given him a Guinea: And

*Ant. Johnson* and *Edward Ward* said, That one *Turpin*, that appeared for *Mr. Gregory*, said, after the Election was over, A great deal of the Money, that was spent, was *East-India* Money.

That the Counsel for the Sitting Member were directed to answer the Charge of Bribery in the First Place: And thereupon they called,

*John Richards* Bookseller: Who said, That he went to *Alderman Richards'* House, where also came *John Creswell*; who was asked, If the Paper produced was his own Writing; and he said, It was not; but it was all true: And he said, He got a Friend of his at *Castlegate* to write it; and, at the same time, declared, That *Mr. Sacheverell* and *Mr. Pierrepont* took him into a Closet, and desired his Vote; and gave him 10s. a-piece; and, after he had given the said Account, *Creswell* would have had them lent him Money; but he was then told, It could not be done, because it would look like Hiring of Evidence: And the said *Richards* further said, That, at the same time, *Mr. Barrow* put down in a Writing, delivered into the Committee, several Particulars, which *Creswell* gave them an Account of, relating to the said Election; and that *Creswell* put his Mark to it.

*Thomas Creswell* further said, That *Edward Brown*, Six or Seven Days after the Election, took him to one *Middleton's*; and asked him, if *Mr. Gregory* had not given him 20s.; and proffered him 20s. to say so.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel offered to call other Witnesses, as to what *Creswell* said at *Alderman Richards'*, and as to *Creswell's* signing the Paper; but they having been charged by *Creswell* with Corruption, or imposing on him in that respect, they were not admitted.

*Creswell* was confronted by *John Richards*; and denied the Matter of Fact given in Evidence by *Richards*.

And the Counsel then called,

*Jerroise Thompson*: Who said, He heard *Creswell* say, That *Mr. Pierrepont* and *Mr. Sacheverell*, a Fortnight before the Election, gave him 10s. a-piece; and that *Brown* the Barber, since the Election, had given him a Crown to attest what he should desire: And he further said, That *Creswell* was a Stocking-maker, and out of Work; and had run in Debt; and had cheated several People.

*William Barrow* said, He heard *Creswell* own the Paper produced; and that *Creswell* said, *Mr. Sacheverell* and *Mr. Pierrepont* did lock him up in a Room before the Election, and gave him 10s. a-piece; And *Richards* and *Barrow* . . . . . That the said *Creswell* declared, That *Johnson* asked him, If *Mr. Gregory* was fairly chose: To which the said *Creswell* answered, He thought he was: And that *Johnson* told him, he would give 10s. if he would say, *Mr. Sacheverell* was chose; and that he took the Money; and told *Johnson* he would say so if he could with a safe Conscience.

*William Bellamy* said, That *John Holles* declared, That *Partridge* and *Tipson*, desired his Vote for *Mr. Sacheverell*; and *Mr. Pierrepont* had told him, He should have a Couple of Frames brought into his House at a Rent; which accordingly he received.

*James Brampton* said, That *John Hollis* was a great Rogue; for he married his Sister, and pawned her Cloaths; and at the same time had another Wife.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel then proceeded to charge the Petitioner with several ill Practices: And called several Witnesses.

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*John Smith*, and *John Smith* junior, said, That *Geo. Betteson* came to their House, and pulled out a Quantity of Silver, and Two Guineas, and kissed One of them; and said, he had one of them from *Mr. Pierrepont*, and the other from *Mr. Sacheverell*: Who would not be for such honest Gentlemen?

*William Lockow* said, That he had 36s. lent him by *John Shepherd* and *Wm. Wollaston*, on account that he should vote for *Mr. Sacheverell*; otherwise he would have been for *Mr. Gregory*.

The said *Lockow* said, He was a Heel-maker; and *Wollaston* was a Shoemaker:

And that *John Lockow* told him, That he had Two Crown-pieces to vote for *Mr. Pierrepont* and *Mr. Sacheverell*.

*John Johnson* said, That *John Hollis* shewed him a Crown, which, he said, he had on the Election-day, to be for *Mr. Pierrepont* and *Mr. Sacheverell*.

*Francis Somers* said, That *Richard Birch* told him, That *Mr. Shipman* gave him a Coat off his Back to vote for *Mr. Pierrepont* and *Mr. Sacheverell*: And that his Aunt sent for him, and told him, If he would not be for them, she would keep the Writings of a House from him of 30s. a Year.

*Ellen Smith* said, That *Richard Birch* shewed her 12s. in *Mr. Dufroise's* House, which, he said, *Mr. Shipman* gave him to vote for *Mr. Sacheverell*.

*Tho. Selby* said, That, about Four Days before the Election, he had a Coat and Stockings of *Mr. Blunt*, to vote for *Mr. Sacheverell* and *Mr. Pierrepont*.

*Lewis Smith* said, That *Tipson* the Joiner lent him 10s. on Condition he should vote for *Mr. Pierrepont* and *Mr. Sacheverell*:

The said *Smith* at first named another *Tipson* to be the Man.

*John Foster* said, That *William Chambers* his Father, told him, That *Mr. Sacheverell* had given him 2s. and hoped he would vote for him, as he had done.

That as to ill Practices in general; the Sitting Member's Counsel called,

*Jos. Stoaks*: Who said, That *Mr. Pierrepont* and *Mr. Sacheverell*, on *Christmas* Day in the Evening, desired his Vote; and that *Mr. Pierrepont* told him, If he had Occasion, he would lend him 5*l.* and he need not fear being asked for it:

He said, He had no Money; and he voted for *Mr. Sacheverell* and *Sir Scroop How*.

*Jerroise Thompson* said, That *Mr. Charles Drury* the Minister, some Nights before the Election, went about the Streets with a Bag of Money, and offered 40s. for a Vote; but he did not prove any given.

*William Barden* said, that he heard one *Brett* say, That he could give 20*l.* for Twenty Votes; and that he had got some Votes for *Mr. Pierrepont* and *Mr. Sacheverell*:

And *Mr. Drury* would give 100*l.* for 100 Votes.

That, as to Treating;

*Tho. Selby*, and *Lewis Smith*, said, That, on the Election-day, several Burgesses, that voted for *Mr. Pierrepont* and *Mr. Sacheverell*, were treated at *Mr. Drury's*, *Partridge's*, *Tipson's*, . . . . *Selby's*:

Said *Mr. Drury* was a Gentleman of an Estate; and the House was full of People: *Smith* said, He believed he had seen Thirty Burgesses together.

That as to the Qualifications of the Voters;

*Mr. Richards* said, That *John Stevens* was made free under the new Charter; and was refused by the Sheriff, because he could not make it appear he had served a Freeman:

That *William Chamberlaine* was refused, because he could not make it appear he had served an Apprenticeship:

That *Alexander Comerick* was refused, because his Master, being a Trunk-maker, afterwards turned Mountebank; and *Comerick* was his Tumbler:

That the Sheriffs could not find *Patricius Goodall's* Name in the Freeman's Book:

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That,

That *Jerroise Sully* was disfranchised, having imposed on the Corporation, that he was a Burgess's Son born :

That they could not find *Jos. Ragg's* Name in the Leidger :

That *John Wood* is free by the new Charter ; and he never see him tender his Vote.

As to the Evidence given by *Mr. Smith* ;

*Mr. Richards* said, That *Mr. Smith* was only present at Two Hall-days ; and at One of them, he came in only before the last Thing was done.

*Mr. Richards*, and *Char. Chatwick*, said, The Mayor came, and gave his Vote ; but did not see him upon the Bench : And that the Sheriffs took Advice of Counsel, and took what Care they could to pursue the same : And the Sheriffs declared, That, if any Persons were refused the first Day, and would come the next Day, and make out their Right, they should be polled.

And that the Committee came to these Resolutions ;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *George Gregory* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Town of *Nottingham*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Robert Sacheverell* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Town of *Nottingham*.

The First Resolution being read a Second time ;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee, in the said Resolution, That *George Gregory* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Town of *Nottingham*.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time ;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Robert Sacheverell* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Town of *Nottingham* ;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Mr. Pierrepont*, } 182.  
                                  { *Mr. Scobell* : }

Tellers for the Noes, { *Sir Char. Hotham*, } 103.  
                                  { *Mr. Topham* : }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the Crown do attend this House To-morrow Morning, to amend the Return for the Town of *Nottingham*, by rasing out the Name of *George Gregory* Esquire, and inserting the Name of *Robert Sacheverell* Esquire, in the stead thereof.

Answer to  
Lords Mes-  
sage respect-  
ing the Im-  
peachments.

*Mr. Harcourt* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to draw up Articles of Impeachment, That they had, according to Order, drawn up an Answer to the Message from the Lords Yesterday ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same was twice read ; and, with an Amendment, agreed unto by the House ; and is as followeth ; viz.

THE Commons in Hopes of avoiding all Interruptions and Delays in proceeding against the impeached Lords, and the many Inconveniencies, which might arise thereby, having proposed to your Lordships, at a Conference, That a Committee of both Houses might be nominated, to consider of the most proper Ways and Methods of proceeding on Impeachments, think, they might justly have expected your Lordships Compliance with their said Proposition, instead of your Lordships Answer to their Message, of the 4th Instant ; which they Yesterday received : In which Answer of your Lordships, though many Matters of great Exception are contained, a suitable Reply whereunto would inevitably destroy all good Correspondence between the Two Houses ; yet the Commons, from an earnest Desire to preserve the same, as well as to give the most convincing Proof of their Moderation, and to shew their Readiness to bring the impeached Lords to speedy Justice, at present insist only on their Proposition for a Committee of both Houses,

to settle and adjust the necessary Preliminaries to the Tryals ; particularly, whether the impeached Lords shall appear, on their Tryals, at your Lordships Bar, as Criminals ; whether, being under Accusations of the same Crimes, they are to sit as Judges, on each other's Tryals, for those Crimes ; or can vote in their own Cases ; as we find, by your Lordships Journals since their being impeached, they have been admitted to do : Which Matters, and some others, being necessary to be adjusted, the Commons cannot but insist on a Committee of both Houses to be appointed for that Purpose ; their departing from which would be giving up the Rights of the Commons of *England*, known by unquestionable Precedents, and the Usage of Parliament ; and making all Impeachments, the greatest Bulwark of the Laws and Liberties of *England*, impracticable for the future.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Harcourt* do carry the said Answer to the Lords.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Message from the Lords Yesterday ; whereby they acquainted this House, That they have appointed the Tryal of *John Lord Somers* on Friday next, on the Impeachment against him. Lords Mes-  
sage appoint-  
ing Day for  
Lord Somers'  
Tryal.

And the same was read.

*Ordered*, That the said Message be referred to the Committee appointed to draw up Articles of Impeachment, to prepare an Answer to the said Message.

A Message from the Lords, by *Sir Richard Holford* and *Mr. Gery* :

*Mr. Speaker*,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the erecting Hospitals and Workhouses, within the Borough of *King's Lynn* in the County of *Norfolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor there, without any Amendments : Also, Lynn  
Workhouse.

To a Bill, intituled, An Act for raising the Militia for One Year, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid, without any Amendments : And also, Raising  
Militia.

To a Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Archibald Arthur* ; and enabling him to settle and dispose of his Estate ; without any Amendments : And, Arthur's  
Nat.

That they have agreed to the Amendment, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of *Humphrey Hyde* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, for raising Portions for his younger Children : And also, Hyde's  
Estate.

To the Amendments, made by this House to the Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Jacob Auguste Pynyot*, and others : Also, Pynyot's,  
&c. Nat.

That the Lords do desire a present Conference with this House, in the Painted Chamber, upon the Subject-matter of the last Conference.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree to a present Conference with the Lords, as their Lordships do desire.

And the Messengers were called in again ; and *Mr. Speaker* acquainted them therewith.

*Ordered*, That the Committee that managed the last Conference, do manage this Conference.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And, being returned ;

*Mr. Harcourt* reported, That he had, according to Order, carried the said Answer to the Lords.

*Mr. Harcourt* also reported the Conference : And that it was managed by the Duke of *Devonshire* ; who acquainted them, That the Lords have desired this Conference, upon Occasion of the last Conference, in order to preserve a good Correspondence with the House of Commons ; which they shall always endeavour.

As to the late Messages between the Two Houses, their Lordships are well assured, that on their Part, nothing has passed, but what was agreeable to the Methods of Parliament, and proper to preserve that good Understanding between both Houses, which is necessary for the carrying on of the publick Business.

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As to the Proposal of the Commons, That a Committee of both Houses should be appointed, to consider of the Ways and Methods of Proceedings on Impeachments; their Lordships cannot agree to it:

1. Because they do not find, that ever such a Committee was appointed on Occasion of Impeachments for Misdemeanors: And their Lordships think themselves obliged to be extremely cautious in admitting any thing new in Matters relating to Judicature.

2dly, That although a Committee of this Nature was agreed to upon the Impeachments of the Earl of *Danby*, and the Five Popish Lords, for High Treason; yet it was upon Occasion of several considerable Questions and Difficulties, which did then arise: And their Lordships do not find, that the Success in that Instance was such, as should encourage the pursuing the same Methods again, though in the like Case; the Lords observing, that, after much Time spent at that Committee, the Disputes were so far from being there adjusted, that they occasioned the abrupt Conclusion of a Session of Parliament.

3dly, Their Lordships are of Opinion, That the Methods of Proceedings on Impeachments for Misdemeanors are so well settled by the Usage of Parliaments, that they do not foresee any Difficulties likely to happen; at least, none have been yet stated to them: And all the Preliminaries, in the Case of *Stephen Goudett*, and others, which was the last Instance of Impeachments for Misdemeanors, were easily settled and agreed to, without any such Committee.

4thly, The Lords cannot but observe, That this Proposal of the Commons comes so very late, that their Lordships can expect no other Fruit of such a Committee, but the Preventing of the Tryals during this Session.

The Lords assure the Commons, That, in case any Difficulties shall arise in the Progress of these Tryals, which their Lordships do not foresee, they will be ready to comply with the Commons in removing them, as far as Justice, and the Usage of Parliament, will admit.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning.

Commissioners of Accounts.

Mr. *Harcourt*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom, was committed, the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, with some Amendments to some of them, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, That nothing in the Act contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to hinder or obstruct, in any manner, the Execution of the Powers granted by an Act made in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of his Majesty's Reign, to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; and continued to the Commissioners therein named for and during the further Time in the Act mentioned for that Purpose:

And the same was twice read:

And the Question being put, That the said Clause be made Part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Sir John Bolls,* } 70.  
                                  { *Mr. Arthington:* }

Tellers for the Noes, { *Sir Theophilus Oglethorp,* } 100.  
                                  { *Sir Arthur Owen:* }

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered, be to added to the Bill, That all Persons, who shall contract for furnishing Bread, Forage, or Waggon, for the Forces to be employed in the Service of the States General of the *United Provinces*, shall sign, or some by them sufficiently authorized, such

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Contract in *England*; and shall give sufficient Security for passing the Accounts thereof in the Exchequer:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered, to be added, relating to Colonel *Leighton*:

And the same was read the First time; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That the Commissioners appointed for stating the Accounts of the Officers of the Army, shall make out a Certificate for Three thousand Nine hundred Sixty-two Pounds Seven Shillings and Fourpence, or so much thereof as shall appear to the said Commissioners to be due to Major General *Steward*, who commanded several Regiments of his Majesty's Forces in an Expedition, which was made into *Spain*, in One thousand Six hundred Ninety-four, and One thousand Six hundred Ninety-five, for Money disbursed for the publick Service in that Expedition, and in procuring Money to be advanced for the Pay of his own Regiment; whereupon Debentures shall and may be issued and satisfied out of the Monies arising by the forfeited and other Estates in *Ireland*, in the same manner with other Debentures chargeable thereupon:

And the same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question\* severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be added to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Resolved*, That the Number of the Commissioners be Seven.

*Resolved*, That no Person be a Commissioner who hath any Office of Profit, or is accountable to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the Qualifications of the Commissioners be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, be taken into Consideration upon *Thursday* Morning next. King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Duties upon Salt; and for collecting the same with less Charge to the Publick. Duties on Salt.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds a Week, out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Use; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his necessary Occasions; was committed; be made To-morrow Morning. Supply Bill; appropriating Excise, &c.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for granting several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices, and Pictures; and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Centum upon Muslins; and for improving the Duties upon japanned and lacquered Goods; and for continuing the Coinage Duty, for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned. Supply Bill; Duties on Low Wines.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

\* Sic Orig.

Mercurii, 11<sup>o</sup> die Junii;

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

**HENRY** Gardie, John Dalmas, Eloy de Mariame Defontain, Peter Malie, Mich. de la Roche, took the Oaths appointed, in order to their Naturalization.

Bagneol's,  
&c. Nat.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Peter Bagneol, Daniel Senault*, and others, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir Robert Davers, Lord Will. Powlett, Mr. Pitfeild, Mr. Pynnell, Mr. Mountague, Mr. England, Mr. Bridgman, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Stratford, Mr. Winnington, Mr. Walsh, Sir Geo. Hungerford, Mr. Rowney, Sir Rowland Gwynn, Sir John Mordant, Sir John Cotten, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Rigby, Mr. Valmsley, Mr. Brotherton, Sir Richard Temple, Mr. Birch, Mr. Thornhaugh, Lord Marquis of Hartington, Mr. Pierrepont, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Gulston, Mr. Pagitt, Mr. Sacheverell, Mr. Crosse, Sir Walter Young, Lord Cavendish, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Wortley alias Mountague, Sir Will. Ashurst, Mr. Nicholls, Sir Fran. Massam, Lord Cornbury, Mr. Bridges, Sir Robert Cotton, Mr. Clayton: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five of the Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Wedde's, &c.  
Nat.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Gasper Cordosa Harmon Van't Wedde*, and others, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

Stauley's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill to enable Sir *Thomas Stanley* Baronet, to charge his Estate with the Sum of Three thousand Pounds, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable Sir *Thomas Stanley* to charge certain Manors and Lands in the County of *Lancaster* with Three thousand Pounds, for Payment of his Sisters Portions, and his Debts.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brotherton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Conduct of  
Whitacre,  
Admiralty  
Solicitor.

Mr. *Marks*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to inspect the Behaviour of Mr. *Edward Whitacre*, Solicitor to the Admiralty, since he has been in that Employment, and to report the same to the House, That they had inspected the same accordingly; and had directed him to report the Matter to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Upon Examination of the Charge against Mr. *Edward Whitacre*, for the Bailing and Escape of Mr. *Henry Bolton*, the Matter of Fact appears as followeth; viz.

By the Warrant of Commitment from Mr. Secretary *Hedges* it appears, That *Bolton* was accused, upon Oath, for confederating with Captain *William Kidd* for Piracy on the high Seas; which Warrant is marked (A); and is as followeth; viz.

(A) Whereas *Henry Bolton* is accused upon Oath, for confederating with Captain *William Kidd*, who is now a Prisoner in *Newgate*, for Piracy by him committed upon the High Seas: These are, in His Majesty's Name, to command and require you to receive into your Custody, from the Marshal of the Admiralty, the said *Henry Bolton*, and him safely to keep, until he shall be delivered by due course of Law: And hereof fail not, as you will answer the contrary at your Peril.

Given under my Hand and Seal, this 30th Day of December 1700.

C. *Hedges*.

To the Keeper of his Majesty's Gaol of the *Marshalsea*, or his Deputy.

Mr. *Robert Hyde*, Clerk to the Lord Chief Justice *Holt*, said, That Mr. *Whitacre* told my Lord, He had inquired after the Bail, and approved of the Persons offered, to be good Bail; and that Mr. *Whitacre* was present when the Bail was taken.

Mr. *Spencer*, Clerk of the *Marshalsea*, said, That he brought Mr. *Bolton* to my Lord Chief Justice *Holt*, in order to be bailed; and that Mr. *Whitacre* told my Lord Chief Justice, That he had inquired into the Bail, and did believe Three of them to be good Bail; and, the Fourth not being there, the Solicitor for Mr. *Bolton* proposed another Person; who, he said, was a better Man; and Mr. *Whitacre* said, He did not know him; but did not oppose his being Bail; and thereupon his Bail was taken.

Mr. *Whitacre* was called in, and acknowledged, That he approved of Three of the Bail; but did not know the other; and did not oppose him.

Upon Examination of the Matter of Fact, it appeared to this Committee, That the Bail, offered by Mr. *Whitacre* to my Lord Chief Justice *Holt* for the said Mr. *Bolton*, was insufficient.

The Committee proceeded to examine into the Matter of the Presentment by the Grand Jury, High Sheriff, and Justices of the Peace, for the County of *Southampton*, against Mr. *Whitacre*, dated the 26th of July 1700: Which said Presentment, with several Reasons for making the same, was laid before the Committee; and is marked (B); and is as followeth; viz.

By the Grand Jury, and Justices of the Peace, at the Assizes held at *Winton*, for the County of *Southampton*, July 26th 1700.

At the present and late Assizes held here for the said County, there have been several Prosecutions against Offenders, for notorious Thefts and Embezzlements of his Majesty's Naval Stores; and finding the Prosecutions, generally laid, have proved very irregular, to his Majesty's great Disservice, and to the Dissatisfaction of the whole County:

We under-written, attending the said Assizes, to discharge our Duty, are of Opinion, That the Prosecution, and Management of the Tryals, upon the barbarous Murder of one *Harris*, and the Thefts that attended that Matter the last Assizes, and the Indictments now brought before us for several Abuses further discovered, relating to the notorious Practices of Purloining and Robbing of his Majesty's Stores at *Portsmouth*, and Timber in the *New Forest*, in a Succession of Years last past, are, by the Solicitor, Mr. *Whitacre*, either managed corruptly or ignorantly; whereby Opportunity hath been given for the Guilty to evade Justice, and bar the further Discovery of those pernicious Practices; the Consequences of which, we humbly desire, may be considered; and that the Reflections laid on our County, for want of Vigilance to detect such Crimes, may be removed, and fixed in the right Place.

GRAND JURY.

*John St. Barbe, Geo. Stanley, Rich. Cobbe, Arthur Hyde, Will. Bishop, Tho. Dowse, Richard Marks, Wm. Knapton, Jos. Hinnsman, Robert Cranston, Wm. Fisher junior, Edward Hooper, Jos. Lisle, Jos. White, Will. Bowerman, Andrew Smith, John King, John Goodyer.*

High Sheriff.

*E. Chute.*

Justices of the Peace.

*Robert Smith,  
Edward Fleming,  
Edward Pyle,  
H. Danley,  
Richard Chaundler,  
John Hoby,  
F. Tylney.*

Several Reasons which induced the Grand Jury, High Sheriff, and Justices of the Peace, for the County of *Southampton*, at the Assizes held at *Winton*, to make their Presentment against Mr. *Whitaker*, the 26th July 1700.

Article 1st. At *Lent* Assizes 1700, several Persons were indicted for embezzling his Majesty's Stores

at *Portsmouth*, and for murdering one *Harris*, who had discovered the same; but, by the irregular Management of the Prosecutions, several of them escaped Punishment; particularly *David Aldridge*, that had, by such Methods, got a very considerable Estate; and, as it appeared at the Tryals, was Principal in all those wicked Practices; but, by a sudden Artifice, he was tried first for the Murder, contrary to the positive Advice and Desire of Commissioner *Greenhill*, and Mr. *Whitacre's* Promise; where the Evidence, which after appeared upon other Indictments, was wanting, and he found guilty *ex post facto*; and a poor indigent Fellow, that was employed by him, being convicted as Principal, *Aldridge* was acquitted, with a slight Burning, though he had Three several Verdicts afterwards for Felony; the Indictments for which was observed to be against him only as accessory to the Embezzlement, when, at the Tryals, the Evidence was full to have proved him Principal in several Burglaries; there being one *Christopher May* convicted upon the same Evidence, and was reprieved, and illegally bailed, before pardoned.

Article 2. One *Daniel Lawrence* was indicted for the same Crimes; but escaped, by Mr. *Whitacre's* Neglect, in not preparing the Evidence: And, in another Case, Three or Four Men were arraigned upon an Indictment drawn by Mr. *Whitacre*; who made so great a Mistake in Time, that what the Witnesses had to say, could not affect the Prisoners upon that Indictment; and were thereby acquitted.

Article 3. That one *Moses House* informed against *White* and *Whitman*, for cutting out the Marks of the King's Timber, in the *New Forest*, and setting their own Marks in the same, and carrying of it away for their own Use; but, instead of being made Prosecutor, was, the same Assizes, indicted for Facts of the like Nature; whereby to give *White* and *Whitman*, being rich Persons, Opportunity to escape, by taking of *House's* Evidence; but *House* was tried at the Summer Assizes following, and was acquitted; the Prosecution appearing malicious.

Article 4. Summer Assizes 1700, one *Ste. Carpenter* was indicted for Felony and Burglary, in robbing his Majesty's Stores: The Evidence before the Grand Jury did not come up to find the Bill, as drawn, but would amount to a Misdemeanor: The Jury applied to Mr. *Whitacre*, and told him, That Bill would be found *Ignoramus*; but that the Fellow ought not to escape without Punishment; he refused to give any other Assistance then, but would refer it to the next Assizes; upon which the Jury sent to Commissioner *Greenhill*, who referred them to the Informations in Mr. *Whitacre's* Custody; upon Examination whereof, a new Indictment was brought, and other Witnesses sworn; upon which the Bill was found, the Person tried, convicted, and hanged; who, by Mr. *Whitacre's* Method, might have escaped.

Article 5th. Another Indictment was brought against one *Whitman*, for cutting the Mark out, and stealing of his Majesty's Timber in the *New Forest*: The Evidence sent up, were Two *Peckhams*; but could say nothing to the Indictment against *Whitman*; but against one *White*; and *House*, which was to have been the Witness, was left out; upon which Mr. *Whitacre* was sent to, and a Bill desired against *White*, as well as *Whitman*; but he refused to do it; saying, He did not care whether the Bill was found or not; upon which Sir *Robert Smith* was sent for, who bound the Persons over; and told the Jury, That Mr. *Whitacre* had Informations by him, that would fully affect both *White* and *Whitman*; and thereupon a new Indictment was brought, without *Whitacre's* Knowledge, and the Witnesses sworn; upon which the Grand Jury found the Bill; but was quashed in Court by Mr. *Whitacre*, and the Matter referred to the next Assizes after; where, by the Care of the Justices, a new Bill was preferred, and found; but, by this means, the Offenders gained a Year's time, to traverse; and it was observable, that those Persons were great Companions with Mr. *Whitacre* all the Assizes.

Article 6th. Several other Matters, relating to other

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Assizes, where Prosecutions seemed to be baffled, are omitted; which might justly aggravate a Censure on Mr. *Whitacre's* Management, especially as to his Delaying of Tryal from one Assize to another, and then being removed to be tried in *London*; and the frequent Discouragement shewn to the King's Witnesses, with the vast Expence, it was observed, the King must be put to in these Prosecutions: And to see Tryals of such Importance, that respected Punishment for a most barbarous Murder, and the future Safety and Preservation of his Majesty's Stores and Timber, all managed in a Method for the principal Criminals to escape from Justice, gave a universal Dissatisfaction of the whole County, and a just Suspicion, that the same must proceed from Bribery and Corruption, or from Ignorance and Neglect, in Mr. *Whitacre*; he being the Officer intrusted with those Prosecutions; the Grand Jury thought themselves bound in Duty to put a Stop to such Proceedings, by making the said Presentment, in Conjunction with the High Sheriff, and Justices of the Peace, for the said County.

John St. Barbe,  
Robert Smith,  
E. Chute.

Mr. *Whitacre* was heard to that Part of the Presentment, which relates to the irregular Prosecuting, and Escape, of *David Aldridge*: And said, That he had full Examinations given him, before he went to the Assizes at *Winton*; and that he advised with Mr. Solicitor General, and the King's Counsel, upon all the Indictments; but desired he may refer, for Answer at large, to his Answer, given in to the Commissioners of the Admiralty, to that Prosecution, dated the 25th of February 1701: Which Answer was laid before the Committee, and marked C; and is as followeth; viz.

Paragraph of Mr. *Whitacre's* Answer, relating to *Aldridge*.

#### A N S W E R.

That I must agree with these Gentlemen, that, in my Judgment, that Method, that was taken, did contribute to *Aldridge's* Escape; for he being indicted as accessory, before and after the Facts, of Felony, in stealing the King's Stores, it would have been a mighty Weight and Load on him, both as to the Court and the Jury, if, after Conviction for those Offences, he had been tried for his being accessory before and after to the Murder. There were several other Reasons, too long to be mentioned here, to proceed that Way: And I must say, if I had consented to the Method that was taken, and is now complained of; nay, had I not opposed it to the utmost, the Proceeding in the Method complained of; and had I not pressed, and insisted, to observe the Method those Gentlemen rightly observe should have been taken; I should be guilty, not of Ignorance only, but give the Gentlemen, who complain, just Cause to say, of Corruption: But I do affirm, That I pressed it; and so did Two of the Counsel, who were Counsel for the King upon that Occasion only; and they did advise and desire it: But this Method was opposed by the King's Serjeant, and by him only, there being then no other of the King's sworn Counsel: They were, and I was, and must be, directed in such Prosecution; and I was governed by the King's Serjeant, and did not dare to do otherwise; and so against my Will, against the other Advice of the Two Counsel, who were not the King's sworn Counsel, only Counsel for that Occasion, *Aldridge* was tried, upon the Indictment for the Murder first: For the Truth of this, I appeal to the other Two Counsel; and, because One of them may be thought too favourable towards me, I appeal to Mr. *Pratt*, the other Counsel, since made a Serjeant, for the Truth of what I assert: I have no Reason to believe, but the King's Serjeant will own this his Advice; and that it was upon his Advice and Direction the Tryal against *Aldridge* proceeded in the Method it did; but since the Method hath proved so false a Step, it will not be reasonable to put it upon any other Determination than the Affirmation of those Two Counsel, who were positively

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positively for trying *Aldridge* on the Indictments for Felony first: And all I shall further say in this Matter, That, if I did, in the least, mention, propose, or agree to, the trying *Aldridge* first on the Indictment for Murder, any otherwise than by being obliged, by the King's Serjeant's Advice and Direction, so to proceed, I am ready to own what Imputation shall be laid upon me, be it never so black and severe.

And further says, That the Method of Tryal was wholly directed by Mr. Serjeant *Darnell*.

Mr. Serjeant *Darnell* said, That Mr. *Whitacre* came to him, on a sudden, a little before the Tryal came on; and that the only Question he asked him, was, Whether the Indictments against *Williams*, for the Embezzlement of the Stores, or against *Williams*, for the Murder, should be tried first? And that Mr. *Whitacre* never asked the said Mr. Serjeant *Darnell*, whether the Indictment against *Aldridge*, for Murder, should be tried first; or any Question about the Tryal of *Aldridge*:

And the Question about *Williams*, as above, was asked the said Mr. Serjeant, just as they were going on to the Tryal, and not before:

That the King's Counsel were never asked to consult together about any of the Tryals; nor was Mr. Serjeant *Darnell* acquainted by Mr. *Whitacre*, that any of the other Counsel differed from him in Opinion; nor was there any Indictment preferred against *Aldridge*, a Principal, for any Offence; but, upon the Evidence, it did appear, that *Aldridge* was Principal, and ought to have been so indicted in all the Indictments:

That, by his Breviate, there appeared several trivial Matters of Charge, relating to *Williams*, for Embezzlements, and little or no Evidence: And having observed, that Mr. *Whitacre* often prosecuted Persons for very frivolous and insignificant Matters, not fit to be prosecuted; to the Dissatisfaction of the Country, and to the King's great Charge and Expence; which, he thought, tended to the Damage of other Prosecutions;

That, upon these Considerations, and Mr. *Whitacre*'s Question to try *Williams* for the Embezzlements before the Murder, he was jealous there was some Trick intended to bring off the Murderers; and therefore, as the Matters stood, and upon such Information as he was possessed of, he did advise Mr. *Whitacre* to try the Murder first against *Williams*, before the Embezzlements against *Williams*, the Murder being of the greatest Consequence; and for that *Aldridge* was only indicted as accessory in all the Indictments: But when the Tryals came on, there did sufficient Matter appear to the Court, to have indicted and convicted *Aldridge* and others, which escaped, as Principals in Stealing of the King's Stores; and, if he had been rightly and fully instructed, must have advised the same; and do lay the Blame on Mr. *Whitacre*'s Management.

Mr. Serjeant *Darnell* desired Mr. *Whitacre* might be asked for all the Indictments, Informations, and Briefs, about these Prosecutions.

Mr. *Whitacre* answered; That he had them not with him.

Mr. *Whitacre* was asked, If he did ever advise with Mr. Serjeant *Darnell* about these Prosecutions, before the Indictments were found at the Assizes;

Answered, That he never did advise with him before the Indictments were found.

He was asked, If he did consult with the King's sworn Counsel, in all the King's Causes:

Answered, He did not.

A Sum of 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* charged in his Account for Counsellors Fees, was dipped on by Chance: And Mr. *Whitacre*, being asked to whom it was given;

Answered, He believed, to Mr. *Smith*, Associate to the Clerk of Assize of the Home Circuit.

He was asked, If he was a Counsellor;

Answered, No.

Mr. Serjeant *Darnell* declared, That Mr. *Whitacre* never advised with him since his being the King's Serjeant, to prepare any Prosecutions in the Western Circuit.

Mr. *Edward Whitacre* junior, being Counsel for the

King in these Prosecutions, attended the Committee, by Request of his Father:

And, upon a Question from his Father, said;

That, being commanded by his Father to go to the Assizes at *Winton*, when the Briefs, relating to these Prosecutions, were delivered to him, seeing Matter charged against *Aldridge*, as accessory before and after the Facts committed, his Opinion was, to proceed on the Indictments, as accessory before and after the Fact, for stealing the Stores; but advised him not to be concluded by his Opinion, but to consult with the King's Serjeant; and that afterwards he did offer the same Opinion himself to Mr. Serjeant in Court; but that Mr. Serjeant opposed it.

Mr. *Hunt* said, That, at the Assizes held at *Winchester* in March 1700, there was a great Want of Jurymen; and, being there present, was returned to be of the Jury on the Tryal of one *David Aldridge*, indicted for Murder of one *John Harris*; and upon several other Indictments, for embezzling his Majesty's Stores: That the said Jury, being agreed to find the said *Aldridge* guilty, as accessory to the Murder after the Fact committed, and of the Embezzlements; and, being so agreed, were permitted to go to an Inn, to refresh themselves; and, in passing from the Hall to the Inn, he observed a Person, to him then unknown, whose Name, he since understands, was *Gauntlett*, call aside one *John Bishopp*, who was One of the said Jury; and, shortly after, the said *Bishopp* came to this Examinant, and told him, That they might have Forty Guineas to bring off the said *Aldridge*; which this Examinant refused to accept.

This Examinant further saith, That whilst they were refreshing themselves in the said Inn, he observed several of the Jurymen, one by one, to go out of the Room; who, returning, would not stand to their Verdict they formerly agreed; which occasioned a further Debate; but, at last, they were prevailed with to stand to their former Verdict:

That, about *Christmas* last, one *Evans* came to him at *Petersfield*, and sent for him to the *White Hart* Inn, and asked him, if he were of the Jury that tried *Aldridge*; which this Examinant acknowledged: That *Evans* asked, what Guineas were offered: This Examinant said, he was offered Forty to bring off *Aldridge*; and *Evans* asked, by whom: He said, he could not tell; but *Evans* persuaded him to go to *Winchester*; and that he found the Person, who offered the Money, was *Gauntlett*.

Mr. *Evans* said, That he was employed by Mr. *Whitacre*, to inquire whether Mr. *Hunt* was not One of *Aldridge*'s Jury upon the Tryal at *Winchester*, for embezzling his Majesty's Stores, and the murdering of one *Harris*, for discovering the same; and to ask him, if he was not offered some Guineas to bring in *Aldridge* Not guilty: And Mr. *Evans* further said, That Mr. *Whitacre* told him, That he had Orders from Mr. *Burchett*, Secretary of the Admiralty, to employ him upon this Inquiry; and accordingly he made the same; and, meeting with Mr. *Hunt* at *Petersfield*, he told him, he was One of *Aldridge*'s Jury; and was asked by one *Bishopp*, One of the Jury, Whether they should accept of Forty Guineas, to bring off *Aldridge* Not guilty.

Mr. *Burchett* positively denied, That ever he gave Mr. *Whitacre* any Orders to inquire after Mr. *Hunt* directly or indirectly.

Mr. *Whitacre* said, That he desired Mr. *Evans* to inquire after *Hunt*; but did not tell him, he had Orders from Mr. *Burchett* so to do.

Mr. *Evans* insisted on the Truth of what he had said, as to Mr. *Whitacre* telling him he had Orders from Mr. *Burchett*.

Mr. *Whitacre* was heard as to that Part of the first Complaint, which relates to the illegal Bailing of *Christopher May*, whilst under Sentence of Death, before he was pardoned; and offered several Papers: Which relating particularly to the Pardoning of him; and that not being the material Point complained of by the Grand Jury; the Committee ordered him to keep to the Point, and



and answer to the illegal Bail: Upon which Mr. *Whitacre* positively denied the Fact complained of; and, for his better Justification, desired to refer to his Answer laid before the Committee from the Commissioners of the Admiralty: Which Answer is as followeth; viz.

All that I did therein, having received Orders, dated in June 1700, for his being pardoned, and bailed, I sent them down to Commissioner *Greenhill*; with this Expression, That, according to the Warrants, they might be bailed.

Mr. *Serjeant Darnell*, being asked about *May's* being bailed, said, That he, seeing *May* at Liberty in Court, complained to the Judge of it; and that the Judge was very angry, in that such a thing should be, to have a Man bailed, whilst under the Sentence of Death, before he was pardoned:

That it appears to the Committee, by the said Answer, to which Mr. *Whitacre* referred, That he did advise and direct the Bailing of *May*, as is charged against him by the said Complaints.

Mr. *Whitacre* desired to be heard to that Part of the Grand Jury's Presentment, which relates to *Stephen Carpenter*; and said,

That the same and only Evidence, viz. Two Witnesses, which convicted the Person upon the Tryal, were sent up to the First Bill of Indictment, which the Grand Jury found *Ignoramus*: And therefore, if the Jury did not think fit to find a Bill upon the Evidence of Two Persons, which afterwards convicted the Prisoner on Tryal, he hoped, there could no Blame lie upon him; and offered several Proofs, That the Prisoner was convicted as aforesaid; \* to which Mr. *Whitacre* answered, That the Matter of Complaint came from the Grand Jury, for his Behaviour before them, before the Prisoner was put upon the Tryal; and that the Grand Jury's Complaint did not, in the least, refer to the Tryal in Court: Therefore it was expected, he should answer to the Point on which the Complaint was grounded.

Mr. *Whitacre* desired, he might refer to his Answer before the Committee, given in to the Commissioners of the Admiralty, in Answer to that Presentment; and likewise, to the several other Heads of the said Complaint, referred himself also to the said Answer.

The said Answer being read, and the Matter of Fact being stated by some of the Members of this Honourable House; the said Answer not being satisfactory to the Committee, this Committee refers the Representation of Fact to be given in by such Members in their Place.

It appears by Mr. *Whitacre's* Account of Charges, for the Prosecutions complained of by the Grand Jury, amounts to about 361*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* whereof about 206*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.* is reckoned for his own Attendances, and Travelling Charges and Expences; and about 21*l.* 16*s.* for Messengers; besides all Payment for Law Business.

*Thomas Wilshaw* Esquire, One of the Principal Officers and Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy, informed the Committee,

That, about August 1691, he being the Commissioner of his Majesty's Navy at *Portsmouth*, Mr. *William Cooper*, Store-keeper of the Dock-yard, made Complaint to him, That he missed several Quantities of Pitch and Tar out of the King's Stores: Upon which strict Inquiry was made into the Matter; and, by the Care that was taken, Discovery was made of a great Gang of Thieves, consisting of Watchmen and Workmen, that belonged to the King's Yard, which frequently robbed the Stores: And, upon Examination, some of the Persons confessed the Fact; particularly *Thomas Podd* and *John Hows*; and that they

were employed to steal the same by *Henry Berry*, who bought the said stolen Goods of them: These Informations were sent to the Navy Board; and Mr. *Whitacre* was appointed to prosecute: But, instead of prosecuting the real Offenders and Criminals, several of them were made Witnesses, and all the rest escaped without being brought to Tryal; and the Prosecution turned against the said Mr. *Wilshaw*, and several of the Officers of the aforesaid Yard, by whose Care these Thefts were discovered, as guilty of the very same Crimes which the Thieves had confessed, and were accused of; That, by a general Information, mixed with the real Embezzlers, they were tried at the King's Bench Bar, after about Two Years Dependence; and, by a Special Jury of *Hampshire* Gentlemen, were acquitted: And the Court, blaming very much the Prosecution, ordered a *Noli Prosequi* to stop further Proceedings against the said Mr. *Wilshaw*, and other of the Officers, who were prosecuted on Two Informations; which *Noli Prosequi* all the Criminals took the Advantage of, and were never afterwards prosecuted for the said Offences: That it cost the said Mr. *Wilshaw* 300*l.* for his own Part, to justify his Reputation under this Prosecution; and that his Majesty's Service was greatly endamaged by it, being in the Heat of the late War, when the whole Fleet was chiefly fitted at *Portsmouth*.

Mr. *Richard Hale* declared to the same Effect about the said Discoveries, Confessions, Prosecutions, and Acquittals; and that some of the Offenders were made Witnesses, and the rest never tried.

Mr. *Whitacre* being called in; Mr. *Wilshaw* and Mr.

*Hales'* Informations were read, being both present.

Mr. *Whitacre* answered, That he never had Orders from the Admiralty or Navy Board, to prosecute *Podd* and *Berry*; but he did acknowledge there was such a Prosecution against Commissioner *Wilshaw*, and other Officers; but that he acted therein by the Order of the Lords of the Admiralty, and Mr. Attorney General: That he had not been above Fourteen Days in his Employment, when these Informations came first to him; and, not being fit for the Business at that time, he was wholly under the Direction of Mr. Attorney General.

That, for his better Justification, he desired the Committee would be pleased to order the Secretary of the Admiralty to lay before the Committee all the Informations, Papers, and Minutes, of the Admiralty Board, relating to the said Prosecution; and what Directions was given therein: Which was accordingly ordered.

It appears, that the Prosecutions complained . . . by Commissioner *Wilshaw*, was managed and solicited by Mr. *Edward Whitacre*:

That, from the Papers and Minutes delivered to this Committee by Mr. Secretary *Burchett*, upon the Request of Mr. *Whitacre*, it doth not appear what Grounds Mr. *Whitacre* had to prosecute the said Commissioner; or that he had any Orders, for so doing, from the Lords of the Admiralty:

That it doth not appear, that any of the real Criminals were ever tried for the Crimes they were accused of:

That it doth appear, from Mr. *Whitacre's* Accounts, that the King was at about 1,000*l.* Charge for these Particulars, besides several Sums intermixed with other Matters, which could not be well abstracted; and that the Charge of Officers to officiate in the room of the Officers suspended upon the account of this Prosecution, amounted to 193*l.*; so that the whole Charge is computed at about 1,193*l.* according to the Abstract following, and an Account laid before the Commissioners of the Navy, marked (D): Which is as followeth; viz.

Conduct of  
Whitacre,  
Admiralty  
Solicitor.

\* Sic Orig.



Conduct of  
Whitacre,  
Admiralty  
Solicitor.

An Account of the Charge the King was at for Officers to officiate in the room of those suspended, upon account of a Prosecution of the King's Officers at *Portsmouth*; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
To <i>John Blake</i> , in the room of the Store-keeper - - - - -	53	12	7
<i>Thomas Podd</i> , in the room of the Master Shipwright - - - - -	88	2	4
<i>Fra. Rout</i> , in the room of the Boat Builder, who was a Shipwright, which is the same Allowance.			
<i>John Ansell</i> , in the room of the Master House Carpenter - - - - -	2	10	4
<i>Mr. Richard Marks</i> , in the room of the Clerk of the Rope-yard - - - - -	49	6	0
Total One hundred Ninety-three Pounds Eleven Shillings and Three Pence - - - - -	£. 193	11	3

Abstract of Mr. *Edward Whitacre's* Account; for prosecuting of Commissioner *Wilshaw*, and the Officers of his Majesty's Yard at *Portsmouth*, &c.

	£.	s.	d.
For Forty-nine Days Journies - - - - -	90	8	0
For his Expences in the said Journies - - - - -	180	15	0
For his Attendances upon several Occasions - - - - -	46	3	0
For Counsellors Fees - - - - -	155	2	8
For Subsistence of Persons, under Pretence of Witnesses - - - - -	203	11	8
For Messengers and Witnesses - - - - -	206	7	2
Under the Head of Law Charges - - - - -	395	13	1
	1,278	0	7

Deduct, for other Business intermixed with this Account, about - - - - - 204 9 2

Remains, on account of the above-said Prosecution, as near as can be abstracted - - - - - 1,073 11 5

The Account of the Charge the King was at for Officers to officiate in the room of those suspended upon Account of the said Prosecution, as appears by an Abstract delivered in to the Committee, by Sir *Richard Haddock*, from the Commissioners of the Navy - - - - - 193 11 3

In all - £. 1,267 2 8

Besides the Damage the King's Service sustained in this Prosecution, being carried on in the Heat of the late War.

Mr. *Jewell* attended; and informed the Committee, That, about the Twelfth of January One thousand Six hundred Ninety-five, Captain *Smith*, Commander of his Majesty's Ship *Dunwich*, riding off *Shoreham*, received Informations, That Stores were embezzled from the said Ship: That he went ashore, to make Search after the same; and called to his Assistance the Officers of the Customs at that Port: That they found some of the said Goods upon one *Chatfeild*, who confessed the same: That the Master and Boatswain were accused of the Embezzlement; and were secured, by the Captain, on board the said Ship; and Notice of the whole Matter given to the Admiralty: That the Prosecution was referred to Mr. *Whitacre*, who ordered the Custom Officers to prepare Evidence against the Assizes; which they did: But Proceedings were stopped by Mr. *Whitacre*; and the Master and Boatswain sent for to *London*; their Informations received against the Captain; he turned out; afterwards prosecuted; and they made Witnesses against him for the very same Stores which they themselves had embezzled:

That, whilst this Matter was depending, he did, with much Difficulty, and with Consent of the Admiralty, proceed to prosecute the said Officers at his own Charge; and, although some of his principal Evidence was kept from him, by an unreasonable Method, at the Procurement of Mr. *Whitacre*, he proceeded to Tryal; where appearing full Proof, *Chatfeild*, and the Master and Boatswain, confessed the Fact; but Mr. *Whitacre's* Son, their Counsel, pleaded the benefit of the Act of the 16<sup>th</sup> Car. II<sup>d</sup>, which confines the Prosecution to be within Twelve Months after the Fact committed; and that the Reason they were not prosecuted within the Time, was, through Mr. *Whitacre's* Delay; and that, by this Means, *Chatfeild*, and the other Criminals, escaped; and the Captain, and his Witnesses, utterly ruined by the violent and tedious Prosecution.

Mr. *Whitacre* was called in; and Mr. *Jewell's* Complaint read, he being present.

Answered, That Captain *Smith* was indicted long before he accused the other Persons, at least Twelve Months, for embezzling the King's Stores: That he never indicted

the Master or Boatswain: That he did write a Letter to the Officers of the Customs at *Shoreham*; and thought to have prosecuted *Chatfeild*, and another; but, finding *Smith* was the Man chiefly concerned, and that, by prosecuting them, he should take off the Evidence against *Smith*, he dropped their Prosecution: That *Smith* had been sooner prosecuted, but that One of the principal Witnesses went out of the Way: And refers himself to several Papers and Letters delivered in to the Committee by himself and Mr. *Burchett*:

That it appears by the said Papers and Letters, marked (E), and (F), That Captain *Smith* gave the first Information to the Officers of *Shoreham* of the said Embezzlement; and that Mr. *Whitacre* had received Advice of the said Embezzlement from the Officers of the Customs at *Shoreham*: And that the Master of the *Dunwich* was accused, contrary to Mr. *Whitacre's* Assertion:

That it doth not appear by any of the Papers delivered in by Mr. *Whitacre*, That there was any Complaint against *Smith* for Embezzlement, till about the latter end of April, or the beginning of May, One thousand Six hundred Ninety-six, when, by the aforesaid Papers, it appears, That Captain *Smith* complained in February One thousand Six hundred Ninety-five:

That it likewise appears to the Committee, and by Mr. *Whitacre's* Accounts, and other Papers, That the said Prosecution was about Two Years depending.

	£.	s.	d.
That it appears from Mr. <i>Whitacre's</i> Accounts, That the said Prosecution cost the King, according to the following Abstract, about the Sum of - - - - -	141	2	7

March 7th, 1695. Charges about prosecuting <i>Chatfeild</i> - - - - -	8	7	1
96. Ditto - - - - -	1	17	8
January 96. Ditto - - - - -	2	15	4

Total, which he first put the King to Charge, and then dropped the Prosecution - - - - -	13	0	1
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96. Charged

	£.	s.	d.
96, Charged for prosecuting Captain <i>Smith</i>	19	6	8
97, Ditto	61	17	9
Ditto	61	17	1
	£. 128	1	6

Mr. *Hosier*, Storekeeper, Mr. *Tipett*, Clerk of the Survey, of his Majesty's Yards at *Deptford*, declared, That, about December One thousand Six hundred Ninety-four, they searched the House of *John Oliver*, a Smith at *Deptford*, and found in his Shop a Bag of Nails of Three Quarters and Seven Pounds Weight; which they examined, Nail by Nail, to see if the King's Mark was in any; and finding Eleven suspicious, they sent them to the Commissioners of the Navy, believing the King's Mark had been beat out; and desired Direction what they should do further: But offered their Opinion, That it would prove difficult to prosecute the Man:

That afterwards, in July One thousand Six hundred Ninety-five, the said *Oliver* was bound over to *Maidstone* Assizes; and they supena'd, by Mr. *Whitacre*, for Witnesses: One of Mr. *Whitacre*'s Sons appeared in the Prosecution; but the Indictment being laid for One hundred Weight, and the true Weight being Three Quarters and Seven Pounds, and but Eleven Nails that they suspected, that they had some Words with young Mr. *Whitacre* about it; upon which he cut the Indictment in Pieces, saying, It was frivolous, and would displease the Judge; but that they believe the King was put to a great deal of Charge about it, they having 3 *l.* 10 *s.* each allowed them for their Journey, besides what Mr. *Whitacre* accounted.

Mr. *Whitacre* was called in; and referred to his Son *Charles*: Who answered to the same Purpose as before; and that he stopped the Prosecution, believing it was in the Power of the Commissioners of the Navy to punish that Crime.

That it appears by Mr. *Whitacre*'s Accounts, That he put the King to a considerable Charge about this Prosecution; but it, being intermixed with other Matters, cannot well be abstracted; only it may be noted, that he charges 17 *l.* 8 *s.* 8 *d.* for his Journey to the said Assizes, besides Law Charges, &c.:

That it appears by an Abstract delivered in to this Committee, from the Commissioners of the Navy, marked (G), That Mr. *Whitacre* hath received of the King's Money, on account of Law Charges, since his being in that Employment, the Sum of 23,345 *l.* 6 *s.* 1 *d.*: And that it likewise appears, by an Abstract of his Account laid before the Committee, and not yet passed the Navy Office, That Mr. *Whitacre* charges the King with the further Sum of about 2,199 *l.* 3 *s.* 7 *d.*; the Whole amounting to about 25,544 *l.* 9 *s.* 8 *d.*

(E) Copy of a Letter from the Surveyors of the new Ships building at *Shoreham*, dated 8th February, 1695.

CAPTAIN *Smith*, Commander of his Majesty's Ship the *Dunwich*, on *Wednesday* last sent to us, and acquainted us, That some of the Ship's Stores were embezzled, belonging to the Boatswain: We accordingly went on board, and causing all the Boatswain's Stores to be brought up upon Deck; endeavoured to take a strict Survey; but the Weather, proving turbulent, and so rainy, hindered

us from taking a full Survey; we intended to do it the next Day, but were then obliged to go to a Justice of Peace: Upon Discovery we heard, that some Cordage was found by a Farmer of *Hone* near *Brighthelmstone*, in a Barn; whose Affidavit Captain *Smith* has taken before the Justice, as near as possible, . . . . . the Nature and Quantity of the said Cordage; which, we hear, some of the Custom-house Officers has taken into Custody, and are in Search for more, and the Persons concerned in the Fact: The Wind coming up fair Yesterday, we would not proceed upon a Survey again, but got her to Sea; though we did observe, upon Survey, most of the Hawfers, and the Stream Cable, the Fag-end cut; and, measuring Two Hawfers, found them short of their proper Lengths at least Twenty Fathoms.

Conduct of  
Whitacre,  
Admiralty  
Solicitor.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. *Ambrose Wade*, of the same Date.

I being Collector of the Customs here, and having received an Information touching an Embezzlement of the Stores on board his Majesty's Ship the *Dunwich*, Captain *Smith* Commander, Yesterday took with me Mr. *Long*, our Comptroller here, and one of the Boat's Men, and made a diligent Search for the same: Whereupon I found Five Pieces of new Hawser, and three small Coils of new Inch-and-half Rope, with the King's Mark, containing Four hundred Weight, which I have secured: It was lodged in a Barn, in the Possession of one *Thomas Holland*: Who says, He knows not how it was brought there; but that he, coming one Morning to the said Barn, in an Outhouse belonging thereto, saw this Cordage, with some other, lodged there: And, some short time after, one *Thomas Chatfeild*, of *Brighthelmstone*, came to the said *Holland*'s, and asked him, What was become of the Ropes which were in the said Barn, for they were his: I have had them both before a Justice of the Peace, where they have entered into Recognizance to appear at the next Assizes, and answer to all such Matters as shall be objected against them on the King's behalf. I am still in Pursuit of the remaining Part of the said Goods; and am in hopes to find some more out: As soon as I do, shall give you an Account thereof. I desire you would be pleased to let me know what Method you will have taken in the Prosecution hereof, and how the Charges shall be reimbursed.

(F) Sir,

BY Information from \**Ambrose Waller*, the Collector of the Custom House at *Shoreham*, I am informed, there is seised, in a Barn near that Place, a great deal of Cordage and Rope belonging to the King, that was landed there by the Boat belonging to the Ship *Dunwich*: And he sends me Word, Two of the Persons that came to look after the Goods, in order to fetch them away, are bound over to the Assizes; but who those Seamen were, that brought the Goods ashore, is not known; but the Master of the Ship is accused to have sent it ashore.

I would therefore pray, if their Honours think fit, that the Master of the Ship may either be examined about it, or that he may be sent for: The Goods were landed about Three Weeks since.

Your most humble Servant,

Febr. 18th, 1695.

*Edw. Whitaker.*

\* He is called *Ambrose Wade* in the former Letter.

(G) ABSTRACT of Mr. William Whitaker's Disbursements for Law Charges.

Nature of the Services.	22 February 91-2 to 23 December 94.	4 December 94. to 6 November 95.	4 November 95. to 5 November 96.	4 November 96. to 1 October 97.	1 October 97, to 30 September 98.	1 October 98, to 31 December 99.	TOTALS.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Fees to Counsellors, and Doctors of the Civil Law - - - - -	829 4 8	661 14 1	934 14 2	797 8 4	1,095 8 2	537 11 3	4,876 0 4
Charges at Law Offices - - - - -	286 12 8	527 2 3	490 4 10	448 6 3	1,061 1 4	931 18 6	3,745 5 10
Expences in summoning and entertaining Witnesses, serving them with Sub- pena's, and finding Offenders - - - - -	1,244 11 7	495 4 4	542 18 5	165 4 3	354 19 3	182 17 1	2,995 14 11
Rewards to Counsellors, Clerks, Door-keepers, &c. - - - - -	27 7 7	10 10 8	19 6 6	14 12 10	19 9 6	11 2 0	102 9 1
Other Expences, the Particulars whereof are not named - - - - -	548 2 4	54 0 8	291 12 3	293 4 10	211 12 2	115 1 11	1,513 14 2
His own fees for Attendance, &c. - - - - -	252 16 10	249 12 4	308 0 6	355 2 6	457 9 9	366 1 0	1,989 2 11
Drawing and Copying Indictments, Articles, Instructions, Depositions, In- formations, Breviates, Cases, &c. - - - - -	405 9 8	433 15 3	682 15 10	619 5 5	917 14 5	681 6 8	3,740 7 3
Horse-hire, Coach-hire, and other Expences on travelling - - - - -	241 13 6	68 16 8	13 4 4	155 0 6	41 17 6	45 11 3	566 3 9
Reward for travelling; his own, at 20s. per Diem - - - - -	225 8 0	34 0 0	37 5 0	76 16 0	48 0 0	70 19 6	528 8 6
his Man's, at 10s. per Diem - - - - -	- - -	554 16 10	396 3 8	342 10 8	60 12 0	254 4 0	1,611 7 2
Marshal and Prison Charges - - - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	329 10 0	126 3 6	- - -	455 13 6
Discount of Exchequer Bills and Tallies - - - - -	- - -	- - -	30 0 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	30 0 0
Bank Ditto, Four hundred, at 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ l. per Cent - - - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	10 0 0	- - -	42 2 0
Charges of the Admiralty Sessions, &c. - - - - -	- - -	32 2 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	49 15 0
Paid to John King, for his Share of the Money recovered from Lovelace - - - - -	- - -	- - -	49 15 0	- - -	- - -	- - -	34 9 6
Reward paid one Jenkins, an Evidence, said to be by Order of the Admiralty - - - - -	- - -	- - -	34 9 6	- - -	- - -	- - -	18 5 0
Paid for Interest of 220 l. borrowed to carry on the Service - - - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	18 5 0	- - -	- - -	81 0 0
Ditto, 1,800 l. respited to be paid in Course from 5th November 96, to 5th August 97, at 6 l. per Cent. - - - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	81 0 0	- - -	- - -	576 0 0
Paid for Loss by 129 Malt Tickets, received by him on Payment of Arrears for 1,829 l. 14 s. - - - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	576 0 0	- - -	- - -	91 6 0
Paid to Captain Tho. Urry, by Order, for his Charges, being wounded and prosecuted for pressing Men - - - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	91 6 0	- - -	- - -	89 17 10
For passing the Admiralty's Commission and Privy Seal for admitting Colonel Wharton - - - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	89 17 10	- - -	- - -	50 0 0
Paid to the Treasurer of the Navy, by Order, for Redemption of the King's- fisher Ketch - - - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	50 0 0	90 3 4
For Judges and Juries Dinners at the Admiralty Sessions, &c. - - - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	90 3 4	68 0 0
To Money recovered of Goxen, and others, Admiralty Officers, as Costs and Damages in a Suit brought by Hurrey, and others, in Suffolk - - - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	68 0 0	23,345 6 0
£.	4,061 6 6	3,121 15 1	5,889 10 0	4,453 10 5	4,414 7 7	3,404 16 6	23,345 6 0

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That Mr. *Edward Whitaker* has been guilty of divers ill Practices, Corruptions, and Breaches of Trust, in Execution of his Employment as Solicitor of the Admiralty.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Attorney General do prosecute the said Mr. *Whitacre* for his said Offences.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Attorney General do take care, That Mr. *Whitacre* do give sufficient Security to answer the Prosecution against him.

*Resolved*, That the Office of Solicitor to the Admiralty is a new and unnecessary Office, and ought to be suppressed.

Peter-  
borough  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Peterborough*, be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

The House resumed the further Consideration of the Qualification of the Commissioners of Accounts.

And a Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the said Commissioners have Salaries;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the said Commissioners be Members of this House.

*Resolved*, That the said Commissioners be chosen by way of Balloting.

*Ordered*, That the Members of this House do, Tomorrow at Twelve a Clock, prepare Lists, to be put into Glasses, of Seven Persons Names to be Commissioners in the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

Message  
from the  
King, re-  
specting  
sending  
Troops to  
Holland.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That, when his Majesty was pleased to communicate to this House the Letter of the States General, the extraordinary Occasion they had for immediate Succours so fully appeared, that the House thought fit to order, That Ten thousand Men should be forthwith sent to their Assistance: That the Methods agreed upon, and resolved, by this House, for doing the same, were, by taking Twelve Battalions from *Ireland*, and, by Recruits here, to make them up Ten thousand Men: That his Majesty has thought it more proper, and fit for his Service, to take a Battalion of his Guards, consisting of Eight hundred and Thirty-three Men, which are to be supplied by the like Number out of those Troops that came from *Ireland*: That, although there may be no great Reason, considering the true Intention of the Act of Parliament for disbanding the Army, to trouble the House in this Particular; yet, since it hath been freely talked abroad, as if something were intended that was derogatory to that Act, and the Resolutions of this House, his Majesty hath been graciously pleased to command him to lay this Matter before them, to the end that, if there be any Scruple or Doubt relating thereto, such other Measures may be taken, as shall be thought meet.

In which this House acquiesced; and expressed their Satisfaction in his Majesty's Tenderness, not to violate the Act of Parliament, by keeping up more Forces than Seven thousand Men, which the Law allows.

Supply Bill:  
appropri-  
ating Excise,  
&c.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given, upon the Report of the Bill for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds a Weeks out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Use; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his necessary Occasions; to offer a Clause to enable the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* to make Dividends of the Monies they shall receive upon ingrafted Tallies, as they shall think fit, from time to time, until the Monies they shall lend upon the said Act be repaid them.

The House, according to Order, took into Consider-

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ation the Report of the Conference with the Lords Yesterday.

Conference  
with Lords.

*Ordered*, That a free Conference be desired with the Lords, upon the Subject-matter of the last Conference.

Mr. *Harcourt* reported, from the Committee appointed to draw up Articles of Impeachment, That they had, according to Order, drawn up an Answer to the Message from the Lords, on *Monday* last, for appointing the Tryal of the Lords *Somers* upon *Friday* next; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz.

Lord Somers'  
Impeach-  
ment.

The Commons, on *Monday* last, received a Message from your Lordships, That your Lordships had appointed the Tryal of *John Lord Somers* upon *Friday* next, on their Impeachment against him; in which they observe, your Lordships have not nominated any Place for the Tryal, though your Lordships thought fit to make that Matter, on the last Impeachments for Misdemeanors, the Subject of a long Debate.

And they cannot but take Notice, That your Lordships have taken as long a Time to give your Answer to the Commons Desire of a Committee of both Houses, delivered at the Conference on *Friday* last, as you are pleased to allow the Commons to have of the Day appointed by your Lordships for the said Tryal.

Your Lordships appointed so short a Day, especially whilst the Proposition made to your Lordships, for a Committee of both Houses, was undetermined, the Commons take to be such a Hardship to them, and such an Indulgence to the Person accused, as is not to be paralleled in any Parliamentary Proceeding.

The Commons must likewise acquaint your Lordships, That their Experience of the Interruption of a former Tryal, on an Impeachment for Misdemeanors, for want of settling the Preliminaries between the Two Houses, obliges them to insist on a Committee of both Houses, for preventing the like Interruption.

And they conceive it would be very preposterous for them to enter upon the Tryal of any of those Lords, till your Lordships discover some Inclination to make the Proceeding thereupon practicable: And therefore they think they have Reason to insist upon another Day to be appointed for the Tryal of the Lord *Somers*: And the Commons doubt not but to satisfy your Lordships, at a free Conference, of the Necessity of having a Committee of both Houses, before they can proceed upon the said Tryal.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Harcourt* do carry the said Answer to the Lords.

*Ordered*, That Colonel *Granville* do go to the Lords, and desire the free Concurrence.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds a Week, out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Use; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his necessary Occasions; was committed; the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place: And also reported, That, as to the Petition of Sir *John Wolstenholm*, and others, the Consideration whereof was referred to the Committee, upon reading the said Petition, the Committee were of Opinion, the Case of the Petitioners is proper to be considered by the House, the Committee conceiving they had no Power to relieve them.

Supply Bill;  
appropri-  
ating Excise,  
&c.

Which Report being delivered in at the Clerk's Table, the same was there read:

And the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the Bill, being once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

And,

And, as to the Report upon the said Petition, a Clause being offered to the House, relating thereto ;

*Ordered*, That the Clause be brought up.

The Clause was brought up accordingly ; and twice read, with Blanks therein.

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon ;

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

Answer to  
Lords Mes-  
sage de-  
livered.

Mr. *Harcourt* reported, That he had, according to Order, delivered the Answer to the Lords Message.

Irish For-  
feitures.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to separate the Petitions relating to the *Irish Forfeitures*, be made To-morrow Morning.

Duties on  
Salt.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Duties upon Salt ; and for collecting the same with less Charge to the Publick.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 12° die Junii ;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

A PETITION of *George Moore* and *Thomas Seviar* was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That *William Lenthall* Esquire, now, is indebted to the Petitioners, by Judgments, Bond, and other Securities, in the Sum of Six thousand Five hundred Pounds ; and, having no Estate left to satisfy the same, but the Equity of Redemption of the Manors of *Hasely* and *Latchford*, and of the Office of Marshal of the *King's Bench*, which were mortgaged to Sir *John Cutler*, and are now vested in the Earl of *Radnor*, or some in Trust for him, That he the said *Lenthall* hath granted to the Petitioners, or their Use, the said Equity of Redemption, for Satisfaction of their said Debts ; reserving the Overplus thereof for his own Maintenance : That there is a Bill before the House, for regulating the Prisons of the *Fleet* and *King's Bench* ; in which there is a Proviso, or Saving, of the said Earl of *Radnor's* Debt due on the said Mortgage, and all Securities given of the said Office of Marshal relating to the same : And praying, That in respect there is, in the said Bill, a Saving of the said Earl of *Radnor's* Debt, that they may have the like Saving of their said Debts, and all Securities they have for the same, inserted in the Bill, if it should pass into an Act.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the said Bill, be taken into Consideration.

Duchy of  
Cornwall  
Leases.

Mr. *Hoblyn* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for enabling his Majesty to make Grants, Leases, and Copies, of Offices, Lands, and Hereditaments, Parcel of his Duchy of *Cornwall*, or annexed to the same ; and for Confirmation of Leases and Grants already made ; was committed ; and who were to examine what Grants had been made contrary to the last Act ; That they had made several Amendments to the Bill ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place : And also, That the Committee had examined what Grants had been made ; and had directed him to make a special Report thereof to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the said Report was read ; and is as followeth ; viz.

That the Committee have examined several Persons ; and particularly Mr. *Taylor*, Deputy Auditor of the said Duchy ; who informed the Committee,

That, in or about August One thousand Six hundred Ninety-nine, Mr. *Joseph Hornby* produced to him a

Parchment Deed, dated the Twenty-fourth of March One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, purporting a Conveyance from the Trustees appointed by the Acts of Parliament of the 22d and 23d *Car. 2di*, for Sale of Fee-farm Rents ; wherein divers annual and Fee-farm Rents are mentioned to be granted to the Earl of *Dorsett* ; but, in Truth, those Rents do arise from the Collections of the respective Graves and Tackmen of the several Townships within the Manor of *Kirton*, in the County of *Lincolne*, Part of the Duchy of *Cornwall*, amounting to One hundred Eighty-six Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Eight-pence Three Farthings per Annum Rent, or thereabouts :

That the said Rents appearing to Mr. *Taylor* to stand in Charge, before the Auditor of the said Duchy, as Parcel of a Manor ; and the Totals, inserted in the said Conveyance, being made up of many Quit-rents and Copyhold Rents issuing and payable out of Lands ; the Tenants whereof, as well Free as Copyhold, being bound, by Custom, to perform Suit of Court ; to pay Fines on Alienations ; to record the Conveyances of their Freehold Estates in the Court of the said Manor, which is of ancient Demesne ; and the Copyhold Tenants to pay Fines on Deaths or Surrenders ; the said Mr. *Taylor* did refuse to in:ol the said Deed, or to put the said Sums of Money out of Charge of the Receiver of the Premises ; presuming, that Rents of that Kind were expressly excepted by the said Acts of the 22d and 23d of King *Charles* the Second : And that Mr. *Hornby* has, by virtue of the said Deed, and an Authority from the said Earl, produced to the Committee, received the greatest Part of the said Rents of the Tenants to *Michaelmas* One thousand Seven hundred, for the Use of the Earl of *Dorsett* :

That it appeared, by several Copies of Court Roll, and ancient Records, produced by Mr. *Taylor*, that the said Rents, so conveyed as aforesaid, are Freehold and Copyhold Rents, Parcel of the said Manor of *Kirton*, and were always put in Charge as such :

That, at the Request of the Agents of the Earl of *Dorsett*, he was heard by Counsel at the said Committee ; who insisted, That Part of the said Rents were vendible by the said Trustees ; and that their said Conveyance was legal for all the Rents, except the Copyhold Rents, of the said Manor.

Afterwards the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the Bill, were once read throughout ; and then a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury to take care, that no Grant pass contrary to the Act of the Twenty-second and Twenty-third Years of King *Charles* the Second for Sale of Fee-farm Rents : And also, that the King's Tenants of *Kirton* in *Linsey*, in the County of *Lincoln*, be protected against any illegal Disturbance, by colour of any pretended Grant.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for granting several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction ; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices, and Pictures ; and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen ; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Centum upon Muslins ; and for improving the Duties upon japanned and lacquered Goods ; and for continuing the Coinage Duty for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Bill ; but were informed, That there was a Messenger at the Door from the Lords ; and that his Majesty was expected at the House of Lords ; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Supply Bill ;  
Duties on  
Low Wines,  
&c.

*Resolved*,



*Resolved*, That this House will, immediately after they have attended upon his Majesty, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

Conference  
desired with  
Lords.

Colonel *Granville* reported, That he having, according to Order, been at the Lords, to desire a free Conference with their Lordships, upon the Subject-matter of the last Conference; the Lords answered, That they will send an Answer by Messengers of their own.

A Message from the Lords, by Dr. *Newton* and Mr. *Gery* :

West Kirby  
Poor Estate.

Mr. Speaker,  
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of *Thomas Bennett*, late of *Newton cum Larton*, in the County of *Chester*, in Trustees, for the Use of the Poor of *West Kirby*, pursuant to the Will of the said *Thomas Bennett* : And also,

Trevisa's  
Estate.

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for discharging a Mortgage upon the Estate of *Peter Trevisa* Esquire, deceased; and providing a Maintenance for his Widow and Children; without any Amendments : And also,

New Way to  
Lincoln's-  
inn-fields.

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for making good the Deficiency of the Charges of making a Way out of *Chancery Lane* into *Lincoln's-inn-fields*, without any Amendments : And also,

Herne's Will.

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for declaring the Will of Sir *Joseph Herne* Knight, dated the Five-and-twentieth Day of February One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, to be taken and esteemed the last Will of the said Sir *Joseph Herne*, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Lord Halli-  
fax's Im-  
peachment.

The ingrossed Articles of Impeachment against *Charles Lord Halifax* were read.

*Ordered*, That the Articles be carried to the Lords.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bruges* do carry the said Articles to the Lords.

*Ordered*, That he do also pray and demand, That *Charles Lord Halifax* do give sufficient Security to abide the Judgment of the House of Lords.

Royal Assent  
to Bills.

A Message from his Majesty, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :

Mr. Speaker,

The King commands this Honourable House to attend him, immediately, in the House of Peers.

And Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend his Majesty.

And, being returned ;

Mr. Speaker reported, That his Majesty had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the several publick and private Bills following ; viz.

An Act for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject :

An Act for the preventing the Inconveniencies that may happen by Privilege of Parliament :

An Act for recovering, securing, and keeping in Repair, the Harbour of *Minehead*, for the Benefit and Support of the Navigation, and the Trade, of this Kingdom :

An Act for continuing the Acts therein mentioned, for preventing Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of *England* :

An Act for appointing Wardens and Assay-masters for assaying wrought Plate in the Cities of *Exeter*, *York*, *Bristol*, *Chester*, and *Norwich* :

An Act for continuing a former Act to prevent false and double Return of Members to serve in Parliament :

An Act for raising the Militia for One Year, although the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid :

An Act for the better settling and preserving the Library kept in the House at *Westminster*, called *Cotton-house*, in the Name and Family of the *Cottons*, for the Benefit of the Publick :

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An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Creditors of *James* late Duke of *Ormond*, and of the present Duke of *Ormond* :

An Act to enable Sir *Robert Marsham* Knight and Baronet, to dispose of Lands in *Hertfordshire* ; and to settle other Lands of better Value, in *Kent*, to the same Uses as the Lands in *Hertfordshire* are settled :

An Act to enable *Stephen Jermyn* to make Provision for his younger Children, and for the Advancement of his eldest Son :

An Act for the more speedy Payment of the Debts of *Christopher Killow* Esquire; and for raising Portions and Maintenance for his Brothers and Sisters, in pursuance of his Father's Will :

An Act for Sale of the Estate of *William Davison* Esquire, deceased, for Payment of Debts, and raising his Children's Portions charged thereupon :

An Act for separating *James* Earl of *Anglesey* from *Catharine* Countess of *Anglesey* his Wife, for the Cruelty of the said Earl :

An Act for the vesting and settling several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, belonging to *John Fawconer* Esquire, in Trustees, to be sold for Payment of Debts :

An Act to enable *William Vaughan* Esquire, and *Frances Vaughan* his intended Wife, being both under the Age of One-and-Twenty Years, to perform Articles made for their Marriage :

An Act for naturalizing *Adrian Loftland*, and others :

An Act for transferring a Trust in Lands belonging to the City of *London* unto new Trustees :

An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Ralph Box* with *Elizabeth Eyre* ; and to enable him to marry again :

An Act for erecting a Court of Requests, or Conscience, in the City and County of the City of *Norwich*, for Recovery of small Debts under Forty Shillings :

An Act to enable the Right Honourable *Elizabeth* Viscountess *Bulkely*, of *Lassels* in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, to sell certain Lands in the County of *Devon*, and City and County of the City of *Exon*, for the Payment of Debts :

An Act for the vesting and settling certain Manors and Lands in *South Pickenham*, and other Places, in the County of *Norfolk*, in Trustees, to be sold ; and for laying out the Monies, arising by Sale thereof, in the Purchase of other Lands, to be settled to such and the same Uses, as the said Manors and Lands, so to be vested, are and stand settled :

An Act for removing the County Gaol of *Hertford* :

An Act to enable *Robert* Lord Viscount *Kilmorey*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, being an Infant, to settle divers Manors, Lands, and Hereditaments, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, upon a Treaty of Marriage :

An Act to enable Sir *Charles Barrington* Baronet to settle a Jointure, and make Provision for his younger Children :

An Act for furnishing the Town of *New Deale* with fresh Water :

An Act for dissolving the Marriage of Sir *John Dillon* with *Mary Boyle* ; and for other Purposes therein mentioned :

An Act for vesting a Messuage and Lands in *Stevenage*, in the County of *Hertford*, the Estate of *Richard Nodes*, in Trustees, to be sold, for making a Provision for his Wife and Children equal to the Provision secured to them out of the said Estate :

An Act for the better Performance of the last Will of *Henry Apsley* Esquire, deceased :

An Act for naturalizing *Jane Barkstead* Widow ; and vesting several Mortgages and Securities in her, to enable her to convey or assign the same :

An Act for vesting the Estate of *Humphry Hyde* Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, for raising Portions for his younger Children :

An Act to change the Surname of *Ellis Mews*, and his Heirs, to the Surname of *Saint John* :

An Act for naturalizing *Jacob Auguste Pynyot*, and others :

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Royal Assent  
to Bills.

An Act for naturalizing *Archibald Arthur*; and enabling him to settle and dispose of his Estate:

An Act for erecting Hospitals and Work-houses within the Borough of *King's Lynn*, in the County of *Norfolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor there:

An Act for discharging a Mortgage upon the Estate of *Peter Trevisa* Esquire, deceased; and providing a Maintenance for his Widow and Children:

An Act for vesting the Estate of *Thomas Bennett*, late of *Newton cum Larton*, in the County of *Chester*, in Trustees, for the Use of the Poor of *West Kirby*, pursuant to the Will of the said *Thomas Bennett*:

An Act for making good the Deficiency of the Charges of making a Way out of *Chancery-lane* into *Lincoln's-inn-fields*:

An Act for declaring the Will of *Sir Joseph Herne* Knight, deceased, dated the Twenty-fifth Day of February One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, to be taken and esteemed the last Will of the said *Sir Joseph Herne*.

The King's  
Speech.

Mr. Speaker also reported, That, afterwards, his Majesty was pleased to make a most gracious Speech to both Houses: And, to prevent any Mistakes therein, he had desired, and obtained a Copy thereof; which he read; and is as followeth; viz.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I RETURN you my hearty Thanks for the Care you have taken to establish the Succession to the Crown in the Protestant Line: And I must not lose this Occasion of acquainting you, That I am likewise extremely sensible of your repeated Assurances of supporting Me in such Alliances, as shall be most proper for the Preservation of the Liberty of *Europe*, and for the Security of *England* and *Holland*. Your ready Compliance with My Desires, as to the Succours for the States General, is also a great Satisfaction to Me, as well as a great Advantage to the common Cause: And as I have nothing so much at Heart, as the Preservation of the Liberty of *Europe*, and the Honour and Interest of *England*; so I make no Doubt of attaining those great Ends, by the Blessing of God, and the Continuance of your cheerful Concurrence.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

The Season of the Year makes it necessary to have a speedy Recess; and the Posture of Affairs abroad does absolutely require My Presence, for the Encouragement of Our Allies, and for the Perfecting of such Alliances as may be most effectual for the common Interest: And therefore, I must recommend a Dispatch of the publick Business; especially of those Matters which are of the greatest Importance.

Address on  
the King's  
Speech.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty; giving his Majesty the humble Thanks of this House for his most gracious Speech from the Throne, and the Satisfaction he hath been pleased to express of the Proceedings of this House; and to assure him, That, upon all Occasions, the House will be ready to assist his Majesty in supporting of those Alliances his Majesty shall think fit to make, in Conjunction with the Emperor, and the States General, for the Preservation of the Liberties of *Europe*, the Prosperity and Peace of *England*, and for reducing the exorbitant Power of *France*.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed, to draw up an humble Address, upon the said Resolution, to be presented to his Majesty:

And it is referred to *Sir Edward Seymour*, Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, *Sir Rowland Gwynn*, *Sir Joseph Jekyll*, *Sir Christop. Musgrave*, *Mr. St. John*, *Sir Robert Davers*, *Mr. Bromley*, *Sir Richard Onslow*, *Sir Bartho. Shower*, *Mr. Bridges*, *Mr. Attorney General*, *Mr. Conyers*, *Mr. Gwynn*, *Mr. Freeman*, *Lord Mordant*, *Mr. Vyner*, *Mr. Boyle*, *Mr. Harley*, *Sir Wm. Ellis*, *Sir Hum. Briggs*, *Mr. Eyres*, *Lord Coningsby*, *Sir Hum. Mackworth*, *Sir Tho. Meres*, *Mr. Secretary Hedges*, *Mr. Secretary Vernon*, *Lord Ranelagh*, *Mr. Byerley*, *Sir Ja. How*, *Mr. Harcourt*, *Sir Tho. Littleton*, *Sir Tho. Powys*,

*Sir John Leveson Gower*, *Mr. Harvey*, *Sir John Bolls*, *Sir Geo. Hungerford*: And they are to withdraw into the Speaker's Chamber, and draw up the said Address; and report the same to the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself again into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices, and Pictures; and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Cent. upon Muslins; and for improving the Duties upon japanned and lacquered Goods; and for continuing the Coinage Duty, for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill; and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to offer a Clause of Appropriation upon the said Report.

Mr. Bromley reported from the Committee appointed to withdraw, and draw up an Address, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Low Wines.

Address on  
the King's  
Speech.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons in Parliament assembled, do, with all imaginable Chearfulness, return your Majesty our humble Thanks for your most gracious Speech from the Throne; in which you are pleased to express your Royal Approbation of the Proceedings of your Commons: And we do further unanimously assure your Majesty, That we will be ready, on all Occasions, to assist your Majesty in supporting such Alliances as your Majesty shall think fit to make, in Conjunction with the Emperor, and States General, for the Preservation of the Liberties of *Europe*, the Prosperity and Peace of *England*, and for reducing the exorbitant Power of *France*.

And we likewise crave Leave, upon this Occasion, most humbly to thank your Majesty for your Majesty's great Care and Tenderness, lately signified to us, in keeping up such Forces only, within this Kingdom, as are allowed by Law.

The said Address being read a Second Time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out, "you are," and inserting "your Majesty is," instead thereof:

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out "And we likewise crave Leave, upon this Occasion, most humbly to thank your Majesty for your Majesty's great Care and Tenderness, lately signified to us, in keeping up such Forces only, within this Kingdom, as are allowed by Law."

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Address, so amended; viz.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons in Parliament assembled, do, with all imaginable Chearfulness, return your Majesty our humble Thanks for your most gracious Speech from the Throne; in which your Majesty is pleased to express your Royal

Royal Approbation of the Proceedings of your Commons: And we do further unanimously assure your Majesty, That we will be ready, on all Occasions, to assist your Majesty in supporting such Alliances, as your Majesty shall think fit to make, in Conjunction with the Emperor, and States General, for the Preservation of the Liberties of *Europe*, the Prosperity and Peace of *England*, and for reducing the exorbitant Power of *France*.

*Resolved*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do humbly know his Majesty's Pleasure, when he will be attended by this House.

Message concerning the Impeachments.

A Message from the Lords, by Dr. *Newton* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

We are commanded by the Lords to acquaint this House, That, in Answer to the Message from the House of Commons, of the Tenth Instant, the Lords say; That although they take it to be unparliamentary in many Particulars, yet, to shew their real Desire of avoiding Disputes, and removing all Pretence of delaying the Tryals of the impeached Lords, they will only take Notice of that Part of their Message, wherein the Commons propose some things as Difficulties, in respect of the Tryals; which Matters relating wholly to their Judicature, and to their Rights and Privileges as Peers, they think fit to acquaint the Commons with the following Resolutions of the House of Lords:

1st, That no Lord of Parliament, impeached of high Crimes and Misdemeanors, and coming to his Tryal, shall, upon his Tryal, be without the Bar.

2dly, That no Lord of Parliament, impeached of high Crimes and Misdemeanors, can be precluded from voting on any Occasion, except in his own Tryal.

Their Lordships further take notice of a Mistake, in point of Fact, alleged in the Message of the Commons; it no way appearing, upon their Journals, that the Lords impeached have voted in their own Case.

The Lords, being well assured, that all the Steps that have been taken by them, in relation to their Impeachments, are warranted by the Practice of their Ancestors, and the Usage of Parliament, have Reason to expect the Tryals should proceed without Delay. Also,

We are commanded by the Lords to acquaint this House, That,

In Answer to the Message of the House of Commons Yesterday, the Lords say; That they cannot give a greater Evidence of their sincere and hearty Desires of avoiding all Differences with the House of Commons, and of proceeding on the Tryals of the Impeachments, than by not taking notice of the several just Exceptions to which that Message is liable, both as to the Matter and Expressions.

The Lords having nothing further from their Thoughts, than the going about to do any thing which might have the least Appearance of Hardship, with relation to the Commons:

But the Answer of the Lord *Sommers* to the Articles exhibited against him, having been sent down by the Commons on the Four-and-twentieth of May last; and they having, by their Message of the One-and-Thirtieth of May, signified to their Lordships their Intention of beginning with the Tryal of his Impeachment, in the First Place;

The Lords, considering how far the Session is advanced, thought it reasonable to appoint the Thirteenth Instant for the said Tryal; their Lordships finding several Precedents of appointing Tryals in Impeachments within a shorter time.

The Lords also think it incumbent upon them to endeavour to dispatch the Tryals of all the impeached Lords before the Rising of the Parliament: This is what Justice requires, and cannot be looked upon as a Matter of Indulgence: Nevertheless, that the Commons may

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see how desirous their Lordships are to comply with them in any thing which may be consistent with Justice, have appointed the Tryal of Impeachment against *John Lord Sommers* on *Tuesday* the Seventeenth of this Instant June, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, in the House of Lords, which will be then sitting in *Westminster-hall*. Also,

We are commanded by the Lords to acquaint this House, That the Lords do agree to a free Conference with the Commons, as desired; and do appoint To-morrow at One a Clock, in the Painted Chamber.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the said Two First Messages be referred to the Committee, who were appointed to draw up the Articles of Impeachment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same to *Greenwich Hospital*; be read the Second time upon *Monday* Morning next.

Estates given to superstitious Uses.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday* Morning next.

King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.

*Ordered*, That the Members do, by Twelve a Clock To-morrow Morning, prepare their List of the Names of Seven Persons to be Commissioners, to be inserted into the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

Commissioners of Accounts.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to separate the Petitions relating to the *Irish Forfeitures*, be made To-morrow Morning at Eleven a Clock.

Irish Forfeitures.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Duties upon Salt; and for collecting the same with less Charge to the Publick.

Duties on Salt.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds a Week, out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Uses; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his necessary Occasions; was committed; be further adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

Supply Bill; appropriating Excise, &c.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 13<sup>o</sup> die Junii;*

13<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

AN ingrossed Bill for qualifying Justices of Peace was read the Third time.

Justices of Peace Qualification.

And several Amendments being severally proposed to be made to the Bill, the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Pr. 1. L. \* to insert "or for Years determinable upon Life, or Lives;" and afterwards to add "or Copyhold of Inheritance."

Pr. \* L. \* after "*Wales*," to insert "or in the County of *Monmouth*."

And the Bill was amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for qualifying Justices of Peace.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That Sir Henry Mackworth do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

King appoints to be attended.

Mr. Secretary Hedges acquainted the House, That his Majesty had been pleased to appoint to be attended by this House this Afternoon at Five a Clock, at Kensington.

Answer to Address.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer acquainted the House, that their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That he would be pleased to bestow some Preferment in the Church upon Mr. John Heron, Chaplain to this House, his Majesty was pleased to say; That he would take care, that some Preferment should be bestowed upon him accordingly.

Irish Forfeitures.

Sir Humphry Mackworth, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to separate the Petitions relating to the Irish Forfeitures, That they had separated the same accordingly; viz. What were within the Report from all the Trustees; what, they conceive, were fit to be excepted from being transmitted to Ireland; the Matter of Fact whereof was certified, by the Trustees here, to be true; and what were to be referred to the Trustees in Ireland; and the Case of Philip Savage Esquire, upon his Petition specially, as the Committee had directed; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as follows;

Petitions within the Trustees:

Of the Lady Upper Ossory, of the Lord Lymerick, of Captain James Roch, of Mr. De la Rue, of John Bourk, commonly called Lord Bophin, of Michael Bourk, & al.

Petitions excepted from being transmitted to Ireland:

Of Edw. Singleton, of Mr. Arthur, of Mr. Wm. Fownes, of Peter Fagan, of Arthur French, of Mr. Molony, of Captain Tho. Bellew, of the Lady Falkland, of Mr. Keightley, of Walter Delamer, of the Lady Tyrconnell, of Mr. Edw. Nugent, of the Lady Limerick, of Sir Robert King and Wm. Caulfeild Esquire, of Hannah Mac Donnell, of Mr. Arthur and John St. Leger, of Maurice Annesley, of Caesar Bradshaw, of the Lord Mountjoy, of Nic. Darby, of \* Fitz-Patrick, of Ridgely Nugent, of the Lady Abercorne, of Mr. Edm. Keating, of Mrs. Wandesford, of Mr. Ellis, of Colonel Hen. Luttrell, of Sir Rob. Bedingfeld, of Mrs. Luttrell, of Sir John Trant, of Mrs. Jane Lavallin, of Sir Stephen Fox, of Mary Vernon, of Captain Woosly, & al. Lessees of the private Estate . . . of Mrs. Charlotte Talbott, of Mr. Buttler, of Mr. Edgworth, of Mr. Spring, of Nicolas Bagnall, of Mrs. Harris, of the Earl of Carlingford, of Sir Will. Courtney, of the Lord Kingston, of Captain Stewart, of John Coleman, of Mrs. Hardpany, of the Lady Stapleton, of Sir John Dillon, of Sir Richard Rooth, of Mr. Nottingham, of Mr. Hussey, of Laurence Nichell, of the Lord Cahir, of Mr. Ellary, of Daniel Arthur, of the Bishop of Killaloe, of Sir Wm. Ashurst, of the Bishop of Kildare, of the Daughters and younger Sons of Dudley Bagnall, of Doctor Finglas, of the Lord Purbeck, of John Leigh, of Robert Leigh, of Mr. Trench, of Thomas Conner, of Susanna Smith, of Mr. Chamberlaine, of Mrs. Skelton, of Mr. Carill, of Valentine Brown, & al. all Minors, Sons and Daughters of the Lord Kenmarc.

Petitions transmitted for Ireland:

Of Edmund Stafford, and Samuel Dopping, of Eustace and Roth, of Mullady, of Christopher O Bryan Clerk, of Colonel Rob. Woollesley, of Tho. Leigh, & al. Executors of the Lord Chief Justice Heley, of Wm. Spencer, of Sir Wm. Russell, of Joseph Mitchell, of Mr. Carcassonet, of Tho. Plunkett, of Lord Bishop of Dublin, of Mr. Edw. Corker, of John Knapp, of Sir Tho. Domoille, of Mr. Brough, of Ignatius Gold, of Dame Eleanor Wandesford, of Mr. Dopping, of Mr. Westenra.

That Mr. Savage, being Clerk of the Crown, was commanded to prosecute, by Indictment and Outlawry, all such as were in Rebellion; and that he prosecuted about Four thousand Persons to Outlawry accordingly, which took up considerable Time; by virtue whereof their Estates were seized into his Majesty's Hands: And that, for his Charges, and his and his Servants Pains, her late Majesty, upon his Petition concerning the same, was pleased to refer the Matter to the Commissioners of the Treasury here in England, to certify what had been allowed in the like Cases; and what extraordinary Charges Mr. Savage had been at in that Service: Who certified, That they found, upon the Rebellion in 1641, the then Clerk of the Crown was, by Order of the Government, allowed, by Money and Grants of the forfeited Estates, 40 s. for each Person indicted, outlawed and convicted, for Treason: And that Mr. Savage had indicted and convicted so many Persons; and that he and his Clerk were at considerable Charge and Expence, and were wholly employed therein a Year and more; and that his Salary was but 7 l. 10 s. per Annum, and his Office no Profit to him during that time: And that thereupon his Majesty was pleased, the 26th of July 1692, to direct, That he should have the like Allowance of 40 s. for every Person prosecuted and attainted, as was formerly allowed to others; and to direct, That, out of the Rents and Arrears of the forfeited Estates, by reason of those Attainders, Mr. Savage should be paid 40 s. for every Person he had prosecuted and convicted, or attainted; and that the Governor of Ireland should issue his Warrants or Orders accordingly, as by a Copy of his Majesty's Warrant to the Lord Sidney, and others the Lords Justices, appears:

That, thereupon, the Lords Justices granted a Custodiam of some Lands to one Mr. Tisdale, in Trust for Mr. Savage, for Three Years, in Consideration of his extraordinary Charge and Labour; which deserved a Recompence above the ordinary Advantage of his Office:

That Mr. Savage could not get Possession of these Lands till the First Year was expired; so that he enjoyed them but Two Years: And that he received but 630 l. thereout, including Quit Rents:

That he laid before the last Commissioners of Forfeitures, and the present Trustees, an Account of all attainted Persons; and his Servant gave due Attendance with the Records, pursuant to their Order:

That he has had no other Satisfaction for the said 40 s. a Man, or his said Extraordinary Charge or Labour, or for the said Accounts delivered to, or Attendance upon, the said late Commissioners, or present Trustees.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given, upon the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices, and Pictures; and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Centum upon Muslins; and for improving the Duties upon japanned and lacquered Goods; and for continuing the Coinage Duty, for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned; was committed; to offer a Clause for preventing the Sale of any of the Estates by the Irish Trustees, to which any of the Petitions presented to this House do relate, until the End of the next Session of Parliament.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned.

Mr. St. John reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to draw up the Articles of Impeachment; and to whom the Messages from the Lords Yesterday were referred; That they had drawn up an Answer to the said Messages; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz.

The

Conference with Lords.



The House of Commons find greater Reason to insist upon their Proposal of a Committee of both Houses, from the Two Messages received Yesterday from your Lordships; for their Ambiguity and Uncertainty do shew the Method of former Parliaments to be the most proper Way for Dispatch of Business.

The Commons have been obliged to employ that Time in considering and answering your Lordships Messages, which otherwise would have been spent in preparing for the Lord *Sommers's* Tryal: so that the Delay must be charged where the Occasion ariseth: And the Commons, having desired a Committee of both Houses to adjust the Preliminaries of the Tryals, cannot but think it strange your Lordships should come to Resolutions upon Two of those Points, while the Proposal of the House of Commons is under Debate at Conferences between the Two Houses; the Commons having other Difficulties to propose, which concern them as Prosecutors, and all future Impeachments.

And though the Commons leave the Subject of your Lordships Resolutions, with other things, to be debated at a Committee of both Houses; yet they cannot but observe, That your Lordships Second Resolution is no direct Answer to the Commons Proposal; which was, Whether Peers, impeached of the same Crimes shall vote for each other upon their Tryal for the same Crimes? And the Commons cannot believe, that any such Rule can be laid down, in plain Words, where there is a due Regard to Justice.

And as to what your Lordships observe, That there is a Mistake in point of Fact, alleged by the Commons; this House may take off the Caution used by your Lordships in wording that Part of your Message; for, they know, your Lordships are too well acquainted with the Truth of the Fact, to affirm, That the impeached Lords did not vote in their own Cases: And though the Appearing or Not Appearing upon your Lordships Journal, does not make it more or less agreeable to the Rules of Justice; yet the Commons cannot but add this further Observation, from your Lordships Journal, That the impeached Lords Presence is not only recorded, when those Votes passed, but they also find some of them appointed of Committees for preparing and drawing up the Messages and Answers to the House of Commons; which they do not think has been the best Expedient for preserving a good Correspondence between the Two Houses, or adjusting what will be necessary upon these Tryals: And therefore the Commons cannot think it agreeable to the Rules of Parliament, for them to appear at a Tryal, till all necessary Preliminaries are first settled with your Lordships.

*Ordered*, That the said Answer be sent to the Lords.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *St. John* do carry the said Answer to the Lords.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, who managed the last Conference, do manage the free Conference.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And, being returned;

Mr. *Harcourt* reported what had happened at the Conference, in a Speech of the Lord *Haversham*; upon which the Managers thought fit to withdraw from the Conference, to the end they might acquaint the House therewith.

*Ordered*, That the Managers do withdraw into the Speaker's Chamber, and collect the Matter of the Conference; and what was said by the Lord *Haversham*; and report the same to the House.

And the Managers withdrew.

And the House adjourned till the Return of the Managers.

The Managers being returned;

Mr. *Harcourt* reported the Matter of the free Conference; and the Words which the Lord *Haversham* had spoke thereat; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

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That the Managers, appointed by this House, met the Lords at a free Conference; the Subject-matter whereof was opened by Mr. *Harcourt*, and, immediately afterwards, further argued by Sir *Bartholomew Shower*.

It was insisted on by each of them, That the Reasons, offered by their Lordships at the last Conference, were not sufficient for their Lordships disagreeing to a Committee of both Houses, desired by the Commons at the First Conference:

That, notwithstanding those Reasons, the Commons still thought a Committee of both Houses absolutely necessary for adjusting and preventing such Differences as had happened, or might arise, previous to, or upon, the Tryals: And therefore insisted, That such a Committee should be appointed, before the Commons could proceed on any Tryal.

It was urged, as One Reason for such a Committee, That many Difficulties might happen whereby the Tryals might be obstructed, if the Preliminaries should not be first adjusted: As One Instance, that Point, of several Lords, being under Impeachments of the same Crimes, voting on each others Tryals, was mentioned.

The Lord Steward first replied; and nothing was offered by his Grace, but what was material and pertinent to the Matter in Question, and agreeable to the Method of Parliament in free Conferences:

That *John Lord Haversham* spoke immediately after; and in his Lordship's Discourse, used these, or the like Expressions:

"One Thing there is, though I cannot speak to it because I am bound up by the Orders of the House; yet it must have some Answer; that is, As to the Lords voting in their own Cause; it requires an Answer; though I cannot go into the Debate of it: The Commons themselves have made this Precedent; for, in these Impeachments, they have allowed Men, guilty of the same Crimes, to vote in their own House: And, therefore, we have not made any Distinction in our House, that some should vote, and some not. The Lords have so high an Opinion of the Justice of the House of Commons, that, they hope, Justice shall not be made use of as a Mask for any Design: And, therefore, give me leave to say, though I am not to argue it, It is a plain Demonstration, That the Commons think these Lords innocent: And, I think, the Proposition is undeniable; for there are several Lords in the same Crimes. In the same Facts, there is no Distinction; and the Commons leave some of these Men at the Head of Affairs, near the King's Person, to do any Mischief, if their Persons were inclined to it; and impeach others, when they are both alike guilty, and concerned in the same Facts. This is a Thing I was in hopes I should never have heard asserted, when the Beginning of it was from the House of Commons."

These Expressions were instantly objected to by Sir *Christopher Musgrove*; and the Managers took them to be so great an Aspersion on the Honour of this House, that they thought themselves obliged, in Duty, immediately to withdraw from the free Conference.

As the Managers were withdrawing, his Grace my Lord Steward spoke to the Effect following:

That, he hoped, we would not think that Lord had any Authority from the House of Lords to use any such Expressions towards the Commons.

*Resolved*, That *John Lord Haversham* hath, at the free Conference this Day, uttered most scandalous Reproaches, and false Expressions, highly reflecting upon the Honour and Justice of the House of Commons, and tending to the making a Breach in the good Correspondence between the Lords and Commons, and to the Interrupting the publick Justice of the Nation, by delaying the Proceedings on the Impeachments.

*Resolved*, That *John Lord Haversham* be charged, before the Lords, for the Words spoken by the said Lord this Day, at the free Conference: And that the Lords be desired

Words resolved to be scandalous.

Lord Haversham to be charged for them before the Lords.



desired to proceed, in Justice, against the said Lord *Haversham*; and to inflict such Punishment upon the said Lord, as so high an Offence against the House of Commons does deserve.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Christopher Musgrave* do carry the said Charge, and Resolution, to the Lords.

A Message from the Lords, by Dr. *Newton* and Mr. *Gery*:

Deane's  
Estate.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for Sale of the Estate of *James Deane*; and for securing the Monies raised thereby, for the Benefit of himself and Family, according to the Settlement thereof; without any Amendments. Also,

Lords desire  
the renewal  
of the Con-  
ference.

The Lords, having been informed by their Managers, That some Interruption happened at the free Conference; which their Lordships are concerned at; because they wish, that nothing should interrupt the publick Business; do desire the Commons would come again presently to the said free Conference; which, they do not doubt, will prove the best Expedient to prevent the Inconvenience of a Misunderstanding upon what has passed.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House will send an Answer by Messengers of their own.

And the Messengers were called in again; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Low Wines.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices, and Pictures; and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Centum upon Muslins; and for improving the Duties upon japanned and lacquered Goods; and for continuing the Coinage Duty, for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned; was committed; be made To-morrow Morning.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

*Ordered*, That the Members of the House do, To-morrow at Twelve a Clock, prepare Lists of Seven Persons Names, to be inserted into the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

Supply Bill;  
appropriat-  
ing Excise,  
&c.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds a Week, out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Use; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his necessary Occasions; was committed; be further adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

Charge  
against Lord  
Haversham.

Sir *Christopher Musgrave* reported, That he had been at the Lords; and, according to Order, delivered the Charge and Resolution of the House, relating to the Lord *Haversham*.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 14<sup>o</sup> die Junii;*

13<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

Cordoso's,  
&c. Nat.

THE Lord *William Powlett* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Gaspar Cordoso, Har- mant van't Wedde*, and others, was committed, That the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill;

which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Pr. 1st. L. 19. after "*France*," insert "*John Bowmer, Son of John Bowmer by Judith his Wife, born at Hie- ville, in Low Normandy, in France; Michael Bowmer, Son of John Bowmer by Judith his Wife, born at Hie- ville, in Low Normandy, in France; Gideon L'Eglise, Son of John L'Eglise by Anne his Wife, born at Bur- deaux, in France.*"

L. 36. after "*Verelst*," insert "*John Bowmer, Michael Bowmer, Gideon L'Eglise.*"

P. 2. L. 4. after "*Verelst*," insert "*John Bowmer, Michael Bowmer, Gideon L'Eglise.*"

L. 13. after "*Verelst*," insert "*John Bowmer, Michael Bowmer, Gideon L'Eglise.*"

The Bill was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Lord *William Powlett* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices, and Pictures; and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Centum upon Muslins; and for improving the Duties upon japanned and lacquered Goods; and for continuing the Coinage Duty, for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned; was committed; the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some Amendments to some of them, agreed unto by the House.

Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Low Wines,  
&c.

A Clause of Appropriation was offered, according to Order; and twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks filled up:

And then the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, That the Monies remaining due to the Officers and Soldiers of the Four Marine Regiments, shall be satisfied to them, or their Assigns, out of such Monies as were issued to the Earl of *Orford*, late Treasurer of the Navy, for the Service thereof, and are still undisposed; or out of such Monies as are, or shall be, issued for Wages to the present Treasurer:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for giving a new Time for the entering Claims touching the *Irish* forfeited Estates; touching which, Petitions had been presented to the House:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks filled up:

And then the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, for respiting the Sales of the *Irish* forfeited Estates:

And the same was twice read; and amended by the House:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be made Part of the Bill;

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The House divided.  
The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Mr. Bridges,	} 145.
	{ Mr. Walsh :	
Tellers for the Noes,	{ Mr. St. John,	} 65.
	{ Mr. Harcourt :	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Interrupted  
by Message  
from the  
Lords.

The House having been informed, That there was a Message at the Door, from the Lords;  
*Ordered*, That the Messengers be called in.  
After which, the Serjeant acquainted the House, That the Messengers were gone away.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill; relating to Foreign Spirits:

And the same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

The Serjeant acquainted the House, That the Messengers were come again.

They were called in.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Hoskins* and Dr. *Norton* :

Mr. Speaker,

Cordoso's,  
&c. Nat.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Jasper Cordoso*, *Harman van't Wedde*, and others. Also,

The Lords have commanded us to acquaint this House, That, upon the Occasion of their last Message Yesterday, in order to continue a good Correspondence between the Two Houses, their Lordships did immediately appoint a Committee to state the Matter of the free Conference; and also to inspect Precedents of what has happened of the like Nature: And, that the publick Business may receive no Interruption; the Time desired by their Lordships for renewing the free Conference being elapsed, their Lordships desire a present free Conference in the Painted Chamber, upon the Subject-matter of the last free Conference.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House will send an Answer by Messengers of their own.

And the Messengers were called in again; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

*Resolved*, That an Answer be returned to the Lords, That the Commons are extremely desirous to preserve a good Correspondence between the Two Houses, and to expedite the Tryals of the impeached Lords; but do conceive it is not consistent with the Honour of the Commons to renew the free Conference, until they have received Reparation, by their Lordships doing Justice upon *John Lord Haversham*, for the Indignity he Yesterday offered to the House of Commons.

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Cheine* do carry the said Answer to the Lords.

Lord Halli-  
fax's Im-  
peachment.

Mr. *Bruges* reported, That he had carried the Articles of Impeachment against *Charles Lord Hallifax* to the Lords; and had demanded, That the said Lord *Hallifax* do give Security to abide the Judgment of the House of Lords.

Supply Bill;  
Duties on  
Low Wines.

The House proceeded upon the Report of the Bill for granting several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices, and Pictures; and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Centum upon Muslins; and for improving the Duties upon japaned and lacquered Goods; and for continuing the Coinage Duty, for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, on the behalf the old *East India* Company, relating to the

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Five Pounds per Centum prompt Payment upon *East India* Goods:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, relating to the Petitions touching the *Irish* Forfeitures:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The Lord *Cheine* reported, That he had, according to Order, been at the Lords; and delivered the Answer to their Lordships Message. Answer to  
Lords Mes-  
sage.

Mr. Speaker reported, That he, with the House, did Yesterday present to his Majesty their Address: And that thereupon his Majesty was pleased to give a gracious Answer, as followeth; Answer to  
Address.

Gentlemen,

I Thank you very heartily for the unanimous Assurances you have given Me of your Readiness to assist Me in supporting such Alliances as I shall make in Conjunction with the Emperor, and the States General: It will be a great Encouragement to them, to find the Sense of this Kingdom so fully expressed on this Occasion; and will likewise contribute most effectually to the obtaining those great Ends you have now mentioned, on which the Happiness of *Europe* does so much depend.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, be taken into Consideration upon *Tuesday* Morning next. King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Duties upon Salt; and for collecting the same with less Charge to the Publick. Duties on  
Salt.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds a Week, out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Use; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Houshold and Family, and other his necessary Occasions; was committed; be further adjourned till *Monday* Morning next. Supply Bill;  
appropriat-  
ing Excise,  
&c.

*Ordered*, That the Members do, upon *Monday* Morning next, before the Committee upon the Bill for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Duties upon Salt; and for collecting the same with less Charge to the Publick; prepare Lists of Seven Persons Names, to be inserted Commissioners into the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom. Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Luncæ*, 16° die Junii;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

AN ingrossed Bill for enabling his Majesty to make Grants, Leases, and Copies, of Offices, Lauds, and Hereditaments, Parcel of his Duchy of *Cornwall*, or annexed to the same; and for Confirmation of Leases and Grants already made; was read the Third time. Duchy of  
Cornwall  
Leases.

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An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, to enable his Majesty to grant some Land to *Greenwich Hospital*:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable his Majesty to make Leases and Copies of Offices, Lands, and Hereditaments, Parcel of his Duchy of *Cornwall*, or annexed to the same; and for Confirmation of Leases already made.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hoblin* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Peterbo-  
rough Elec-  
tion.

Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the City of *Peterborough*; and the Resolution of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Upon the Petition of *Francis St. John* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of *Sidney Wortley*, alias *Mountague*, Esquire, to serve for the City of *Peterborough*.

That the Right of Election was agreed to be in the Inhabitants paying Scot and Lot.

Upon the Poll, there was,

For the Sitting Member - - - 166.

For the Petitioner - - - 160.

That the Petitioner's Counsel objected to several Persons polled for the Sitting Member.

Mr. *James Taylor* was examined as to *Tho. Tinkerson*, *Robert Hake*, and *Robert Tuste*, who voted for the Sitting Member: And, as to *Tinkerson* and *Tuste*, he said, They lived with their Mothers: But it was acknowledged, that they paid to the Rate at the time of the Election; and that one *Duse* was Tenant to *Hake* for Part of the Tenement where *Hake* lived, and paid the Rate for the same:

That there were several other Persons objected to, as not paying Scot and Lot; but it appeared they lived in the Minster; and, they having voted on both Sides, the Examination of their Right of Voting was waved.

Mr. *Standish* said, That *Thomas Abbott* received Sacrament Money, and a Pension from the Church of 6 s. a Year:

That *John Pack* had received Sacrament Money: But these Two Persons lived in the Minster.

That the Petitioner's Counsel also endeavoured to take off several Votes from the Sitting Member's Poll, on account of indirect Practices;

That the first Person objected to, on that account, was *John Bagley*: And, as to him, they called,

Mr. *Roger Pemberton*, Mr. *Little*, Mr. *Edward Tinkerson*: Mr. *Pemberton* said, That *Bagley* told him, If he would not lend him 10 l. he could have it in another Place: Mr. *Little* said, That Mr. *Wheeler* and Mr. *Langton*, who acted on the behalf of the Sitting Member, did agree with *Bagley* to lend him 10 l. in Consideration that he should vote for Mr. *Wortley*: And Mr. *Edward Tinkerson* said, That the said *Bagley* did tell him, That, upon the said Account, Mr. *Charles Parker* had lent him Ten Pounds.

*Edmund Jessop*, *James Wood*, testified, That *Joshua Oates* said, That his Master *Beningfeld* came to him, and asked him who he was for: And that, he declaring himself to be for Mr. *St. John*, his Master told him, He would have him give a single Vote for Mr. *Wortley*; and threatened him, That otherwise he would sue an Article against him for 20 l. and throw him out of his Work: And that *Beningfeld*, in Consideration that he would vote for the Sitting Member, had promised him to pay his Debts: And *Jessop* said, That *Oates* further declared, That *Beningfeld* did also give him a Chaldron of Coals, and One Shilling; and that the said *Beningfeld* paid a Reckoning of 3 s. 6 d. the which he was at the Drinking of.

*John Ersley* said, That Mr. *Beningfeld* importuned him to go and drink, and then desired his Vote for Mr. *Wortley*: And, the said *Ersley* telling him he was engaged, Mr. *Beningfeld* told him, If he would vote for Mr. *Wortley*, he should have 100 l. spent, and lent him, in his House, in Three Months time: He acknowledged Mr. *Beningfeld* did not speak to him for any Vote:

And that *Henry Kirle* said, That Mr. *Parker* desired his Vote for Mr. *Wortley*: And, he telling Mr. *Parker*, That he had promised Mr. *St. John*, and had rather give 20 s. than be a Turn-coat, Mr. *Parker* told him, If he would, he should make 10 or 12 l. worth of Baskets; and, if he did not, he would take his House from him.

*Skevington Sherman* said, That Mr. *Parker* desired his Vote for Mr. *Wortley*: And, the said *Sherman* telling him, He could not; Mr. *Parker* proffered the said *Sherman* to lend him a Horse to go out of Town; and told him, If he spent 20 s. or more, he should have it.

*Tho. Carrier*, *Edw. Goodyear*, said, Mr. *Parker* desired their Votes for Mr. *Wortley*.

*James Wood*, *Richard Wilton*, gave an Account, That *Nicolas Lee* told him, the said *Wood*, That he was sent for to *Francis Dillingham's*, where was Mr. *Whinyard*, who desired his Vote for Mr. *Wortley*: And, the said *Lee* telling him, He could not; Mr. *Whinyard* told him, That then he should do no Work for him: That he desired a Day's time to consider of it: And he went again, and said, He had 14 s. of *Dillingham*, and might have had 10 l.: *Nicolas Lee* is a Cobler.

*John Turner*, *Simon Butler*, said, That *Francis Dillingham* came to *John Turner's* House, and desired his Vote for Mr. *Wortley*; and told him, He would help him to as much Money as would pay his Landlord; which, he said, for Rent and Malt, was about 40 l.

*Ishmael Banks* said, That, on the Election Day in the Morning, one *Watts* had said, He would vote for Mr. *St. John*: And that *Banks* met him Two Days after the Election; and *Watts* told *Banks*, That he was caught in the Lord *William's* Woods, and was threatened for it: And Mr. *Parker* promised him to be his Friend in that Matter; and prevailed upon him to vote for Mr. *Wortley*.

*Richard Dickinson* said, That \* *Garland*, after the Election, said, he intended to have voted for Mr. *St. John*; but he was forced to do what he did.

*Thomas Paine* said, That a Fortnight before the Election, he went with *Robert Oliver* to *Ashton's*, and had Wine and Ale without paying for it: And that *Ashton's* House was taken up by Mr. *Wortley*: And he was at *Ashton's* once before; That all he see there, but himself, voted for Mr. *Wortley*.

*Matth. Paris* said, He was, on the Election Day in the Morning, from Six to Eleven or Twelve a Clock, where were several others of Mr. *Wortley's* Voters, who drank; and he staid till he see them all gone, but see no Drink paid for: And the said *Paris* said, He see several others drinking at the Goat.

*John Ash* said, That, the Night before the Election, he was at the Goat, kept by *John Winchley*, where Six or Seven Persons were treated.

*Simon Butler* said, He was at the *Talbot* on the Election Day; and there was Beer and Claret, and he see no Man offer to pay.

That the Counsel for the Sitting Member, as to the Ten Pounds, called,

Mr. *Charles Whinyard*: Who said, In October last, Mr. *Parker* had promised *Baggaley* to lend him 10 l.; and *Baggaley* came to him, to fill up a Bond for it; and, he apprehending it might be an Objection, if Mr. *Parker* had asked *Baggaley* his Vote, he appointed *Baggaley* to come to him another time: And, in the mean time, he asked Mr. *Parker* if he had desired his Vote: And that Mr. *Parker* declared, He had not: And *Baggaley*, when he came again, said the same thing: So he filled up the Bond about Three Months before the Election: And that Mr. *Parker* was a Gentleman of 6 or 700 Pounds a Year, and a great moneyed Man.

That

That he took *Tuste* for a Housekeeper, he having a Licence, and paying Rent:

That *Tinkerson* has a Shop:

That *Duse*, at the Election, acknowledged he laid down the Money for the Rate for his Landlord *Hake*, and was thereupon allowed; and Mr. *St. John*, when he went away, after the Poll was declared, made no Objection:

That, as to *Francis Dillingham*, the Sitting Member's Counsel insisted, That what he did was without any Direction from the Sitting Member.

As to Expences;

Mr. *Whinyard* said, That, on the Nineteenth of December last, he received a Letter from Mr. *Wortley*, dated the Seventeenth, in which Mr. *Wortley* wrote, If Mr. *St. John* spent Money, he would have them spend Money to the Nineteenth, but no longer: And that Mr. *St. John's* Friends spent 20*s.* a House; That, on the Election-day Mr. *Wortley* hearing there were some Persons at the *Talbot*, and other Publick-houses, he went and forbid them at the *Talbot* and *Goat*; and some of them were angry, saying, They hoped they might spend their own Money.

Mr. *Langton* said, He received several Letters from Mr. *Wortley*, before the Teste of the Writ; wherein Mr. *Wortley* desired no Money should be spent: And particularly, he went to *Ashton's* at the *Talbot*; who told him, He did not desire Mr. *Wortley* should pay a Farthing of what he spent there.

*Peter Ashton*, who keeps the *Talbot* Inn, said, That there was no Money spent on the Election-day, or the Day before, or at any time after the Writ was out, spent on Mr. *Wortley's* Account; but what was spent, was paid by the Voters.

*John Whinchley*, who kept the *Goat*, said, That there was no Money on the Election-day, or at any time after the Writ was out, spent on Mr. *Wortley's* Account; but the Persons paid for themselves.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel said, That they did not think fit to trouble the Committee with more Witnesses, apprehending their Case to be very clear.

And the Committee came to this Resolution;

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Sidney Wortley*, alias *Mountague*, Esquire, is duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Peterborough*.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Sidney Wortley*, alias *Mountague*, Esquire, is duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Peterborough*.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Dr. *Newton*:

Mr. Speaker,

We are commanded by the Lords to acquaint this House, That, the Lord *Sommers* having informed the Lords, That Sir *Stephen Fox*, *John Smith* Esquire, *William Lorends* Esquire, *Stephen Hervey* Esquire, and *William Gulston* Esquire, Members of this House, may be material Witnesses for him at his Tryal on *Tuesday* next, in *Westminster-hall*; the Lords desire, That they may have Leave to attend, and give their Testimonies, at the said Tryal: And that a Letter, which his Majesty was pleased to write to him in One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, being now in this House, will be necessary for his Defence at his Tryal; they desire, That the said Letter may be produced at the said Tryal.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Resolved, That this House will send an Answer to the said Message by Messengers of their own.

And the Messengers were called in again; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

Ordered, That the Committee who are appointed to draw up the Articles of Impeachment, do consider of the Reasons why they cannot proceed to the Tryal of the Lord *Sommers* To-morrow Morning; and report the same to the House.

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Ordered, That the said Message be referred to the said Committee.

An ingrossed Bill for granting several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices, and Pictures; and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Centum upon Muslins; and for improving the Duties upon japanned and lacquered Goods; and for continuing the Coinage Duty, for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned; was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, touching Coffee imported by particular Persons:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Then an Amendment was proposed to be made in the Bill:

Pr. 1. L. \* to leave out "March;" and insert "June," instead thereof:

And the Question being put, That "March" stand Part of the Bill;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then several other Amendments were severally proposed to be made; viz.

Pr. 2. L. \* after "Capite," to insert "and by Knight's Service."

Pr. 7. L. \* to leave out "wearing;" and insert "weaving," instead thereof.

Pr. 7. L. \* to leave out "in this Act."

Pr. 17. L. 10. to leave out "whereupon;" and insert "for which," instead thereof.

L. 16. to insert "so."

Pr. L. \* to insert "being."

Pr. \* L. \* to insert "And" before "whereas."

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for granting to his Majesty several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices and Pictures; and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Centum upon Muslins; and for improving the Duties upon japanned and lacquered Goods, and for continuing the Coinage Duty, for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned.

Ordered, That Mr. *Conyers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Clause, upon the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds a Week, out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Use; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his necessary Occasions; was committed; for appropriating the Sum of Five thousand Seven hundred Pounds, of the Money in the Paymaster's of the Army's Hands, upon the Sale of the reversionary Annuities, for Payment of the Arrears due for Cloathing.

Ordered, That the Serjeant do go with the Mace, into the Court of Requests, and Places adjacent, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House immediately.

And he went accordingly.

And, being returned;

The Clerk, and Clerk Assistant, went on each Side the House with Glasses, to receive from the Members their Lists of Persons Names to be Commissioners in the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

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And,

Lords desire Leave for Members, &c. to attend on Lord Somers' Trial.

Supply Bill; appropriating Excise, &c.

Members summoned.

Commissioners of Accounts.







thereof, but at such Times only as shall be ordered by a General Court :

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Duties on  
Salt.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Duties upon Salt; and for collecting the same with less Charge to the Publick.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Eight a Clock.

*Martis, 17° die Junii;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

PRAYERS.

Lord  
Sommers'  
Trial.

**O**RDERED, That no Member of this House do presume to go into the Place appointed by the Lords for the Trial of the Lord *Sommers*, without the Leave of this House.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do go, with the Mace, and summon all the Members of this House, that are in or about *Westminster-hall*, immediately to attend the Service of the House.

And he went accordingly.

And, being returned;

Mr. *Harcourt* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Articles of Impeachment; and to whom the Messages from the Lords Yesterday were referred; and to draw up Reasons why they cannot proceed to the Trial of the Lord *Sommers* this Day; That they had drawn up Reasons; which they had directed him to report to the House accordingly; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were twice read; and agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; *viz.*

The Commons, in this whole Proceeding against the impeached Lords, have acted with all imaginable Zeal to bring them to a speedy Trial; and they doubt not but it will appear, by comparing their Proceedings with all others upon the like Occasion, that the House of Commons have nothing to blame themselves for, but that they have not expressed the Resentment their Ancestors have justly shewed upon much less Attempts, which have been made upon their Power of Impeachments.

The Commons, on the Thirty-first of *May*, acquainted your Lordships, That they thought it proper, from the Nature of the Evidence, to proceed, in the First Place, upon the Trial of the Lord *Sommers*, upon the First Intimation from your Lordships, some Days afterwards, that you would proceed to the Trial of any of the impeached Lords, whom the Commons should be first ready to begin with; notwithstanding your Lordships before thought fit to appoint which Impeachment should be first tried, and affix a Day for such Tryal, without consulting the Commons, who are the Prosecutors.

The Commons, determining to expedite the Tryals to the utmost of their Power, in Hopes of attaining that End, and for the more speedy and easy adjusting and preventing Differences, which had happened, or might arise, previous, or upon, these Tryals, proposed to your Lordships, at a Conference, the most parliamentary and effectual Method for that Purpose, and that which in no manner intrenched upon your Lordships Judicature; That a Committee of both Houses should be nominated, to consider of the most proper Ways and Methods of Proceedings upon Impeachments, according to the Usage of Parliament.

In the next Message to the Commons, upon *Monday* the Ninth of June, your Lordships thought fit, without taking the least Notice of this Proposition, to appoint the *Friday* then following for the Tryal of the said Lord

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*Sommers*: Whereunto, as well as many other Messages and Proceedings of your Lordships, upon this Occasion, the House of Commons might have justly taken very great Exceptions; yet, as an Evidence of their Moderation, and to shew their Readiness to bring the impeached Lords to speedy Justice, the Commons insisted only on their Proposition for a Committee of both Houses, to settle and adjust the necessary Preliminaries to the Tryal; particularly, whether the impeached Lords should appear, on their Tryal, at your Lordships Bar, as Criminals; whether, being under Accusations of the same Crimes, they should sit as Judges on each other's Tryal for those Crimes; or should vote in their Cases, as, it is notorious, they have been permitted by your Lordships to do in many Instances which might be given: To which Particulars your Lordships have not yet given a direct Answer; though put in mind thereof by the Commons.

Your Lordships, at a Conference, having offered some Reasons why you could not agree to a Committee of both Houses, to adjust the necessary Preliminaries, the Commons thereupon desired a free Conference; and your Lordships agreed thereunto: At which, it is well known to many of your Lordships, who were then present, what most scandalous Reproaches, and false Expressions, highly reflecting upon the Honour and Justice of the House of Commons, were uttered by *John Lord Haversham*; whereby the Commons were under a Necessity of withdrawing from the said free Conference: For which Offence, the Commons have, with all due Regard to your Lordships, prayed your Lordships Justice against the Lord *Haversham*; but have, as yet, received no manner of Satisfaction.

The Commons restrain themselves from enumerating your Lordships very many irregular and unparliamentary Proceedings upon this Occasion; but think, it is what they owe to publick Justice, and all the Commons of *England*, whom they represent, to declare some few of those Reasons, why they peremptorily refuse to proceed to the Tryal of the Lord *Sommers* on the Seventeenth of June.

1st, Because your Lordships have not yet agreed, that a Committee of both Houses should be appointed, for settling the necessary Preliminaries; a Method never, until this time, denied by the House of Lords, whensoever the Commons have thought it necessary to desire the same.

2dly, Should the Commons, which they never will do, be contented to give up those Rights, which have been transmitted to them from their Ancestors, and are of absolute Necessity to their Proceedings on Impeachments; yet, whilst they have any Regard to publick Justice, they never can appear as Prosecutors before your Lordships, till your Lordships have first given them Satisfaction, that Lords impeached of the same Crimes, shall not sit as Judges on each other's Tryals for those Crimes.

3dly, Because the Commons have, as yet, received no Reparation for the great Indignity offered to them, at the free Conference, by the Lord *Haversham*. The Commons are far from any Inclination, and cannot be supposed to be under any Necessity, of delaying the Tryal of the Lord *Sommers*: There is not any Article exhibited by them, in Maintenance of their Impeachment against the Lord *Sommers*, for the Proof whereof they have not full and undeniable Evidence; which they will be ready to produce, as soon as your Lordships shall have done Justice upon the Lord *Haversham*, and the necessary Preliminaries, in order to the said Trial, shall be settled by a Committee of both Houses.

The Commons think it unnecessary to observe to your Lordships, that most of the Articles, whereof the Lord *Sommers* stands impeached, will appear to your Lordships to be undoubtedly true, from Matters of Record, as well as by the Confession of the said Lord *Sommers* in his Answer to the said Articles: To which the Commons doubt not but your Lordships will have a due Regard, when his Tryal shall regularly proceed.

*Resolved*, That the said Reasons be sent, by a Message, to the Lords.

*Ordered*,

Ordered, That the Earl of *Dysert* do carry the said Message.

Supply Bill;  
appropriat-  
ing Excise,  
&c.

An ingrossed Bill for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred . . . . . a Week, out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Use; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his necessary Occasions; was read the Third time.

And an ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That such *East India* Goods, as shall have been imported before the Twenty-ninth of September One thousand Seven hundred and One, and not made up in Apparel or Furniture, shall be brought into publick Warehouses upon or before the Tenth Day of October One thousand Seven hundred and One:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; which were filled up by the House:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds weekly, out of certain Branches of Excise, for public Uses; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his necessary Occasions.

Ordered, That Mr. *Conyers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Message  
carried to the  
Lords.

The Earl of *Dysert* reported to the House, That he had, according to Order, carried up their Message to the Lords.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

Mr. *Lawson* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to examine the Lists of the Persons Names delivered in to be Commissioners of Accounts; and report upon which Seven Persons the Majority fell; That they had examined the same accordingly; and that the Majority fell upon,

Sir <i>Godfrey Copley</i>	-	-	188.
<i>John How</i> Esquire	-	-	187.
<i>William Bromley</i> Esquire	-	-	168.
Sir <i>Humph. Mackworth</i>	-	-	155.
Sir <i>Bartholomew Shower</i>	-	-	149.
<i>Antony Hamond</i> Esquire	-	-	138.
<i>Charles D'Avenant</i> Doctor of Laws	-	-	126.

Insolvent  
Debtors.

The Lord *Cornbury* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Report be now read;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Cha. Bloys*, } 114.  
                                  { Mr. *Brotherton*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Sam. Gerrard*, } 51.  
                                  { Mr. *Mompesson*: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the said Amendments were read the First time throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, That the Gaoler or Keeper of Prisons shall swear the Prisoner was in Custody, or that it appears so by the Books:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up:

And, upon the Question put thereupon, the Clause was agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

And several Amendments were proposed to be made in the Bill:

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

And a Debate arising in the House upon the ingrossing the Bill;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until *Saturday* Morning next, in a full House.

An ingrossed Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom, was read the Third time.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

And a Clause being offered, according to Order, for obliging Mr. *Parkhurst* and Mr. *Paschall* to pass their Accounts of Prizes before the Commissioners of Accounts;

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

Mr. Secretary *Hedges* acquainted the House, That his Majesty is like to have Occasion to draw some more Troops out of *Ireland* for the Plantations; and it is thought to be best for the Service, as Occasion shall require, and Men be drawn off from thence, that they should be recruited here in *England*, rather than in *Scotland* or *Ireland*: That, he thought, there was no Occasion to trouble the House with it; but his Majesty had commanded him to communicate this Matter to the House; his Majesty being inclined to communicate all Matters of this Nature to them.

Communica-  
tion from his  
Majesty.

Ordered, That no Member of this House do presume to appear at the Place erected for the pretended Tryal of the Impeachment of the Lord *Sommers*, under the Penalty of incurring the utmost Displeasure of this House.

Members  
forbid to  
appear at the  
pretended  
Trial of Lord  
Sommers.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis*, 18° die Junii;

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

THE Lord *William Powlett* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Peter Bagneol*, *Daniel Senault*, and others, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Bagneol's,  
&c. Nat.

Press 1. L. 44. after "Countries," insert "*James Perot*, Son of *Philip Perot* by *Frances* his Wife, born at *Niort*, in the Province of *High Poitou*; *Henry Gardie*, Son of *Henry Gardie* by *Anne* his Wife, born at *Nimes*, in *Languedoc* in *France*; *Michael La Roche*, Son of *Andrew La Roche* by *Jeane* his Wife, born at *Chatele-rault* in the Province of *Poitou*; *John Dalmas*, Son of *William Dalmas* by *Anne* his Wife, born at *Mont-pellier*, in the Province of *Languedoc*; *Eloy de Moriamie*, Son of *Andrew De Moriamie* by *Martine* his Wife, born at *Daulhin*, in *Picardie*; *Peter Malie*, Son of *Peter Malie* by *Francoise* his Wife, born at *Bernis*, in *Languedoc*."

Press 2. L. 14. after "*Bruce*," insert "*James Perot*, *Henry Gardie*, *Michael La Roche*, *John Dalmas*, *Eloy De Moriamie*, *Peter Malie*."

Press 2. L. 32. after "*Bruce*," insert "*James Perot*, *Henry Gardie*, *Michael La Roche*, *John Dalmas*, *Eloy De Moriamie*, *Peter Malie*."

Press 3. L. 18. after "*Bruce*," insert "*James Perot*, *Henry Gardie*, *Michael La Roche*, *John Dalmas*, *Eloy De Moriamie*, *Peter Malie*."

The Bill was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered,

*Ordered*, That the Lord *William Powlet* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

**Parkhurst's, &c. Petition.** A Petition of *John Parkhurst* and *John Paschall* Esquires, was offered to the House, relating to the Clause concerning them:

And the Question being put, That the Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

**Proceedings of Lords on the Impeachments.** *Ordered*, That a Committee do inspect the Lords Journals, with relation to the Proceedings against the impeached Lords; and report what they find therein.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, who were appointed to draw up the Articles of Impeachment, be the said Committee.

**Commissioners of Accounts.** The House resumed the Debate of Yesterday, upon the Clause to the Bill for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts.

And the Clause was read a Second time, with Blanks; which were filled up, and the Clause amended, by the House.

Then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for the Accounts of the Colonels Cloathing to be settled:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, to oblige Mr. *Whitacre*, Solicitor to the Admiralty, to make up his Accounts:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That the Paymaster of the Army do issue the Sum of Five thousand Seventeen Pounds Nine Shillings and One Penny, remaining in his Hands, to discharge Off- reckonings of Cloathings:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, to oblige Accountants to the Crown to make up Accounts in a certain Time.

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for the Accounts of Colonel *Baldwyn Leighton* to be stated:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Then the Blanks, left in the Bill for the Commissioners Names, were filled up with their Names: And several Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and state, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Harcourt* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereto.

**Members not to be absent.** *Ordered*, That no Member of this House do presume to go out of Town.

*Ordered*, That all the Members of this House do attend the Service of the House upon *Friday Morning* next.

And then the House adjourned till *Friday Morning* next, Nine a Clock.

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*Veneris, 20° die Junii;*

13° Willielmi Tertii, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

**M**R. Speaker acquainted the House, That several Letters have been sent to the Post-house, with Hands counterfeited for the Franking of Letters, with Libels inclosed in them, Counterfeiting Members Franks.

*Ordered*, That the Post-masters General do take care for the Preventing and Discovery of the counterfeiting Members Hands to the Franking of Letters.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Franklyn* and Sir *Lacon William Child*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Richard Bigg* to charge Part of his Estate, in the County of *Hertford*, with the Payment of his Debts, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also, Biggs' Estate.

We are commanded by the Lords to acquaint this House, That the Lords have appointed *Monday* the Three-and-twentieth Day of this Instant *June*, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, for the Tryal of *Edward Earl of Orford*, in *Westminster-hall*. Also, Time appointed for Lord Orford's Tryal.

We are commanded by the Lords to deliver to this House a Copy of the Lord *Haversham's* Answer to the Charge exhibited against him. Also, Lord Haversham's Answer.

We are commanded by the Lords to acquaint this House, That the Lords, in Answer to the Message of the Commons of the Seventeenth Instant, say; The only true Way of determining which of the Two Houses has acted with the greatest Sincerity, in order to bring the impeached Lords to their Tryals, is, to look back upon the respective Proceedings. Message from Lords respecting the Impeachments.

The Lords do not well understand what the Commons mean by that Resentment, which they speak of in their Message: Their Lordships own the House of Commons have a Right of impeaching; and the Lords have the undoubted Power of doing Justice upon those Impeachments, by bringing them to Tryal, and condemning or acquitting the Parties, in a reasonable Time: This Power is derived to them from their Ancestors; which they will not suffer to be wrested from them by any Pretences whatsoever.

Their Lordships cannot but wonder, that the Commons should not have proposed a Committee of both Houses much sooner, if they thought it so necessary for the bringing on the Tryals, no Mention being made of such a Committee from the First of *April* to the Sixth of *June*; although, during that Interval, their Delays were frequently complained of by the House of Lords.

The Manner in which the Commons demand this Committee, the Lords look upon as a direct Invading of their Judicature; and therefore, as there never was a Committee of both Houses yielded to by the Lords, in case of any Impeachment for high Crimes and Misdemeanors, so their Lordships do insist, that they will make no new Precedent upon this Occasion: Many Impeachments for Misdemeanors have, in all Times, been determined without such a Committee; and if now the Commons think fit, by an unprecedented Demand, to form an Excuse for not prosecuting their Impeachments, it is demonstrable where the Obstruction lies.

As to the Preliminaries, which the Commons mention in particular, as proper to be settled at such a Committee; they have received the Resolutions of the House of Lords therein by their Message of the Twelfth Instant; from which, being Matters relating intirely to their Judicature, their Lordships cannot depart.

As to the last Pretence the Commons would make to shelter the delaying the Tryals, from some Expressions, which fell from the Lord *Haversham* at the free Conference, at which Offence was taken, their Lordships will only observe,

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1st, That they have omitted nothing which might give the Commons all reasonable Satisfaction, of the Purpose to do them Justice in that Matter, so far as is consistent with doing Justice to that Lord; and also to preserve all good Correspondence with them, as appears by the several Steps they have taken.

2dly, That this Business has no Relation to the Tryals of the impeached Lords; and therefore their Lordships cannot imagine, why the Commons should make Satisfaction and Reparation against the Lord *Haversham*, a necessary Condition for the going on with the Tryals; and, at the same time, find no Difficulty in proceeding on other Business.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Answer to  
Lords Mes-  
sage.

*Resolved*, In Answer to the Message of the Lords, appointing *Munday* next for the Tryal of the Earl of *Orford*, That the Lords have been acquainted, That the Commons would proceed, in the First Place, against the Lord *Sommers*: And they are ready to go to that Lord's Tryal as soon as ever the Commons have received Satisfaction for the Affront offered to the House of Commons, by the Lord *Haversham*, at the free Conference; and that the necessary Preliminaries are adjusted by a Committee of both Houses.

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Mordant* do carry the said Answer to the Lords.

New Sarum  
Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *New Sarum*, in the room of Sir *Thomas Mompesson* Knight, deceased.

Answer car-  
ried to Lords.

The Lord *Mordant* reported to the House, That he had, according to Order, carried their Answer to the Lords.

Proceedings  
of Lords on  
the Impeach-  
ments.

Mr. *Bruges* reported, from the Committee appointed to inspect the Lords Journals, with relation to the Proceedings against the impeached Lords; and report the same to the House; That they had inspected the same accordingly; and had directed him to report what they find therein; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

The House being moved to go into *Westminster-hall*, in order to the Tryal of the Lord *Sommers*;

After Debate;

The Question was put, Whether the House shall go this Day into *Westminster-hall*, in order to proceed upon the Tryal of the Lord *Sommers*, according to the Order of the Day:

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Dissentient*

The Reasons, by an Order of the next Day, are here expunged.

*Somerset, Scarsdale, Guildford, H. London, Nottingham, Godolphin, Normanby, Feversham, Cholmondley, Rochester, Plymouth, Howard, Carnarvon, Abingdon, Lexington, Marlborough, Denbigh, Peterborough, Oxford, Warrington, Thannet, La War, Tho. Roffen, Derby, Dartmouth, Hunsdon, Jermyn, Weymouth, Weston, Northumberland, Jonat. Exon, Jeffreys.*

The Lord Bishop of *Hereford* being sick, his Absence was excused in the Hall.

A Message was sent to the House of Commons, by Mr. Baron *Tracy* and Mr. Baron *Berry*, to acquaint them, That the Lords intend presently to proceed to the Tryal of *John Lord Sommers*, in *Westminster-hall*.

Then the Question was proposed, Whether the Earl of *Orford* and Lord *Hallifax* may withdraw at the Tryal of the Lord *Sommers*.

Then this previous Question was put; Whether this Question shall be now put:

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question was put, Whether the Earl of *Orford* and Lord *Hallifax* shall have leave to withdraw at the Tryal of the Lord *Sommers*.

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Lord Keeper desired, That some further Directions be given to him, in order to the Tryal in the Hall; and proposed, That this Proclamation be made in the Hall; viz.

WHEREAS a Charge of high Crimes and Misdemeanors has been exhibited by the House of Commons, in the Name of themselves, and all the Commons of *England*, against *John Lord Sommers*; all Persons concerned are to take Notice, That he now stands upon his Tryal; and they may now come forth, in order to make good the said Charge.

After Debate;

The Question was put, Whether this Proclamation should be made:

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the said Proclamation be made in the Hall, before the reading the Articles of Impeachment, and the Lord *Sommers*' Answer; and also after they are read.

*Ordered*, That the Court in *Westminster-hall* be cleared for the Lords.

The Earl of *Anglesey* being sick, his Absence was excused.

Then the House adjourned into *Westminster-hall*; and the Lords were called by the Herald; and went as ordered:

And, being seated in the Hall;

The House was resumed.

Then Proclamation was made for Silence, as follows: Our Sovereign Lord the King, &c.

Then the Lord Keeper asked Leave for the Judges to be covered:

Which was agreed to.

Then the Proclamation, as above ordered, was made.

After which the Articles against *John Lord Sommers* were read; and also his Lordship's Answer to them.

After which the same Proclamation was again made.

Then the Lord Keeper declared the House was ready to hear the Evidence against *John Lord Sommers*: And therefore desired the Lords to give Attention.

The Lord *Sommers* moved to have his Counsel heard.

Whereupon,

The House adjourned to the House Above.

The House was resumed.

The House being moved to acquit the Lord *Sommers*;

And, after long Debate, and hearing the Judges to several Questions asked them by the Lords;

This Question was proposed;

That *John Lord Sommers* be acquitted of the Articles of Impeachment, against him exhibited by the House of Commons; and all Things therein contained: And that the said Impeachment be dismissed.

Then the Question was put; Whether the Question, now stated, shall be put in the Court below:

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Dissentient*

Here the Reasons are again expunged.

*Denbigh, Tho. Roffen, Lindsey, Feversham, Carnarvon, Lexington, Hunsdon, Thannet, Rochester, Jonat. Exon, H. London, Peterborough, Plymouth, Somerset, Howard, Abingdon, Jersey, Derby, La Warr, Jeffreys, Guildford, Scarsdale, Dartmouth, Oxford, Marlborough, Warrington, Normanby, Jermyn, Weymouth, Nottingham, Godolphin.*

Then it was agreed, and ordered, That, in *Westminster-hall*, the Lord Keeper shall read the Question; and then call the junior Baron present first; and ask every Lord, Whether Content, or Not content: And that every Lord stand up, when called to, and give his Vote, Content, or Not content: And that the Lord Keeper, having taken their Votes, declare the Majority: And, if the Majority be for acquitting the Lord *Sommers*, the Lord Keeper is to declare it so; and after, particularly, to the Lord *Sommers*.

*Ordered*, That Candles be prepared for the House.

Then the House adjourned again to *Westminster-hall*:



And, being there, the House was resumed; and Proclamation made for Silence.

The Lord Keeper put the Question, as follows;

That *John Lord Sommers* be acquitted of the Articles of Impeachment, against him exhibited by the House of Commons, and all Things therein contained: And that the said Impeachment be dismissed.

Then the Lord Keeper asked every Lord, Whether Content, or Not content.

The Lord Keeper declared the Majority was for Acquitting: And then declared, That *John Lord Sommers* was acquitted of the Articles of Impeachment, against him exhibited by the House of Commons, and all Things therein contained: And the said Impeachment was dismissed: And then declared to the Lord *Sommers*, That he was acquitted.

Then the House adjourned to the House above:

And being come thither, the House was resumed; and the following Orders made:

It is considered, ordered, and adjudged, by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, That *John Lord Sommers* shall be, and he is hereby, acquitted of the Articles of Impeachment, against him exhibited by the House of Commons, and all Things therein contained: And that the said Impeachment shall be, and is hereby, dismissed.

It is ordered by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, That the Proceedings in the House, upon the Impeachments, be printed: And that the Lords Committees, appointed to consider of the Manner of Proceedings in Impeachments, do meet To-morrow at Ten of the Clock, and inspect the Journals, and draw up the Matter relating thereunto, in order to be printed; and report to the House.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant do go, with the Mace, into *Westminster-hall*, and Courts there, and Court of Requests, and Places adjacent, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House immediately.

And he went accordingly.

And, being returned;

*Resolved*, That the Lords have refused Justice to the Commons, upon the Impeachment against the Lord *Sommers*; by denying them a Committee of both Houses, which was desired of the Commons, as the proper and only Method of settling the necessary Preliminaries, in order to the proceeding to the Tryal of the said Lord *Sommers*, with Effect; and, afterwards, by proceeding to a pretended Tryal of the said Lord; which could tend only to protect him from Justice, by colour of an illegal Acquittal: Against which Proceedings of the Lords the Commons do solemnly protest, as being repugnant to the Rules of Justice; and therefore null and void.

*Resolved*, That the House of Lords, by the pretended Tryal of *John Lord Sommers*, have endeavoured to overturn the Right of Impeachments, lodged in the House of Commons by the ancient Constitution of this Kingdom, for the Safety and Protection of the Commons, against the Power of great Men; and have made an Invasion upon the Liberties of the Subject, by laying a Foundation of Impunity for the greatest Offenders.

Motion touching the ill Consequences attending the Delay of the Supplies.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That all the ill Consequences which may, at this time, attend the Delay of the Supplies, given by the Commons for the preserving the publick Peace, and maintaining the Balance of *Europe*, by supporting our Allies against the Power of *France*, are to be imputed to those, who, to procure an Indemnity for their own enormous Crimes, have used their utmost Endeavours to make a Breach between the Two Houses;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the } Colonel *Granville*, }  
Yeas, } Mr. *St. John*: } 145.

Tellers for the } Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, }  
Noes, } Sir *Richard Sandford*: } 88.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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*Ordered*, That the Message this Day from the Lords be referred to the Committee, who are appointed to draw up the Articles of Impeachment. Proceeding referred to a Committee.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee do consider of the Proceedings between the Two Houses, relating to the impeached Lords; and state, to this House, the Matter of Fact, in order to the Justification of this House, in their Proceedings.

A Message from the Lords, by Dr. *Newton* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by *Bagneol's*, this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *&c. Nat. Peter Bagneol, Daniel Senault*, and others: And also,

To a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Sir *Thomas Stanley* Baronet to charge certain Manors and Lands, in the County of *Lancaster*, with Three thousand Pounds, for Payment of his Sisters Portions, and his Debts, without any Amendments: And also,

To a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable his Majesty to make Leases and Copies of Offices, Lands, and Hereditaments, Parcel of his Duchy of *Cornwall*, or annexed to the same; and for Confirmation of Leases already made; without any Amendments. Duchy of Cornwall Leases.

In Answer to the Message of the House of Commons of this Day;

The Lords do acquaint the Commons, That they might have known, by the Records of the House of Lords, That the Lords have proceeded to the Tryal of the Lord *Sommers* on *Tuesday* last, being the Day appointed; and the Commons not appearing to maintain their Articles against the said Lord, the Lords have, by Judgment of their House, acquitted him of the Articles of Impeachment, against him exhibited by the House of Commons, and all Things therein contained; and have dismissed the said Impeachment: And, Lords Answer that Lord Sommers was acquitted for Default of Prosecution.

The Lords have appointed *Monday* next for the Tryal of the Earl of *Orford*; on which Day they will proceed on the said Tryal. Time appointed for Earl Orford's Trial.

The Commons still pressing for a Committee of both Houses, which the Lords never can consent to, for the Reasons already given, their Lordships can infer nothing from their persisting in that Demand, than that they never designed to bring any of their Impeachments to a Tryal.

As to the Lord *Haversham*, his Answer is now before the House of Commons: And the Lords resolve to do Justice in that Matter.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Ordered*, That no Member of this House do presume to appear, on *Monday* next, at the pretended Tryal of the Earl of *Orford*, upon pain of incurring the utmost Displeasure of this House. Members forbid to appear thereat.

And then the House adjourned till *Tuesday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 24<sup>a</sup> die Junii;*

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

#### PRAYERS.

THE House took into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Richard Bigg* to charge Part of his Estate, in the County of *Hertford*, with the Payment of his Debts: And the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

5 Pr. 39. L. after "Trusts," add "except the Trust for the said *Frances* his Wife, during her Life."

42 L. before "Saving," add the Clause marked A.

6 P. 7 L. after "*Bigg*," add "and *Frances* his Wife."

8. After "his," add "and her."

In

*Bigg's Estate.*



In the Title, after "*Hertford*," add "and *Bedford*." Clause A: "That, in case *Richard Bigg* shall neglect to pay the Interest of Fifteen hundred Pounds, to be borrowed, and the Mortgagee shall neglect to receive the Interest-money out of the Profits of the mortgaged Premises, for the Space of Six Months; that, then the Trustees shall satisfy such Interest out of the Profits of the Estate, together with their Charges: And that, in case the said *Richard Bigg* shall have a Son, the Trustees shall take out of the Premises, after the Interest paid, the yearly Sum of Twelve Pounds, towards the Maintenance of such Son, till he shall attain his Age of Fourteen Years, if *Matthew Lister*, and his Wife, or either of them, shall so long live; and, afterwards, to receive, out of the Premises, the annual Sum of Thirty Pounds, for the Maintenance of the said Son, until the Decease of the said *Matthew Lister*, and his Wife, or until the Decease of the said *Richard Bigg* and his Wife."

Ordered, That Sir *John Kay* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments.

Petition of Clerk Assistant for Re-muneration.

A Petition of the Clerk Assistant, and under Clerks, of the House, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they, having been bred up in the Practice of the Law, have, with all Faithfulness, performed their Duties in the Service of the House, ever since his Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown: That the Petitioner, the Clerk Assistant, hath been obliged to lay by most of his other Business; and the said Four Clerks have totally, for many Years, quitted their Employments, to apply themselves to their Attendance upon the House: That they have no other Consideration for publick Business than what his Majesty shall be pleased to bestow upon them; and the Profits, arising by private Business, is so small, that this present Session hath not afforded the said Four Under Clerks Thirty Pounds apiece: That the House was pleased the last Session, to recommend them to his Majesty, for competent Salaries, answerable to their Trusts and Services, to be settled upon them: That his Majesty, upon receiving such Recommendation, was graciously pleased to resolve to do something for the Petitioners, the Under Clerks; but they, not having, as yet, received the Effect of such his Majesty's Royal Intention, pray the further Consideration of the House of the Premises.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will be graciously pleased to take into Consideration the Services of the said Clerks, and other Servants of the House; and make them an Allowance for the same.

Ordered, That such of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do present the said Address to his Majesty.

Accounts to be returned to proper Officer.

Ordered, That such Accounts, as have been delivered in to this House from the Auditors of the Imprests, be delivered back to them.

A Paper to be produced by Clerk when required.

Ordered, That the Letter and Receipt, relating to Mr. *Edward Allen*, which lies in the Custody of the Clerk of this House, be by him produced, as Occasion shall require.

Privilege—A Person to be prosecuted for Bribery.

Ordered, That Mr. *William Adye*, who was ordered to be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, but afterwards absconded; by reason whereof, a Proclamation issued for Apprehending of him; upon which he did lately surrender himself into the Custody of the Serjeant; be prosecuted, by Mr. Attorney General, for Bribery and Corruption, in procuring an Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malmesbury*, in the County of *Wilts*.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for granting to his Majesty several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction; and continuing several additional Duties upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices, and Pictures; and certain Impositions upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen; and the Duty of Fifteen Pounds per Centum upon Muslins; and for improving the Duties upon japanned and lacquered Goods; and for continuing the Coinage Duty, for the several Terms and Purposes therein mentioned; without any Amendments. Also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for appointing Commissioners to take, state, and examine, the several and respective Accounts therein mentioned; with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of the House.

And then the Messengers withdrew:

The House proceeded to take the said Amendments into Consideration:

And the same were once read throughout; and are as follow; viz.

1 Skin, 22 L. leave out from "That," to "*Thomas*," in the 26 L. of the 3 Pr.

6 Skin, 31 L. leave out from "notwithstanding," to the Word "Parliament," in the 15th Line, and the 7th Skin inclusive; and read the Clause marked \*.

And leave out the Rider marked (B).

The Clause marked \*: "Whereas Colonel *Baldwyn Leighton* was employed by his Majesty as Colonel, and in several other Services; for which Services there is a Sum of Money due to him, as appears by an approved Account reported from the Lords of the Treasury to his Majesty; and which was delivered to the late Commissioners of Accounts, who thought the late Act did not empower them to certify the said Account: Be it therefore enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the Commissioners appointed by this Act, or any Three or more of them, do allow and certify the same."

The Rider marked (B): "And whereas there hath been great Sums of Money paid to Mr. *Edward Whitacre*, Solicitor for the Affairs of the Admiralty and Navy, during his being in the same Employment: whereby his Majesty hath suffered great Abuses and Deceits, in the exorbitant Expence of his Majesty's Treasure: Be it enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Seven Commissioners, or any Four of them, shall have full Power, and are hereby required, particularly to examine into the Accounts, by which the said Mr. *Whitaker* procured and received the said Sums of Money; and, at the Opening of the next Session of Parliament, to lay before the House of Commons their Report; representing such Matters as shall appear to the said Commissioners, upon Examination of the Accounts of the said Mr. *Whitaker*, in relation to the Nature of the Services, Vouchers, and Method of passing the same: with their Opinion, how much thereof they think extravagant and unreasonable."

The First Amendment being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Lords in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

The Second Amendment being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Lords in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

The Third Amendment being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, that the House do agree with the Lords in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

The Fourth Amendment being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Lords in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That a Committee do withdraw into the Speaker's Chamber, and draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords, at a Conference, for disagreeing to the said Amendments:

And

And it is referred to Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Tho. Meeres*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Anderton*, Sir *Jo. Bolls*, Mr. *Moncton*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Lawson*, Mr. *Harley*, Doctor *Davenant*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Onslow*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Sir *John Leveson Gower*, Sir *Bartho. Shower*, Sir *Hum. Mackworth* : And they are to withdraw, and draw up the same; and report the same to the House, with all convenient speed.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do, in the said Reasons, shew the Inconveniencies by not passing this Bill; and particularly, That, by the not passing this Bill, the Payment of the Arrears due to the Army must be delayed.

Adjournment for half an Hour.

And then the House adjourned for Half an Hour.

The House being met;

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

Supply Bill; appropriating Excise, &c.

The Lords have agreed to a Bill, intituled, An Act for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds weekly, out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Uses; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other his necessary Occasions; without any Amendments: And also,

Supply Bill; Land Tax.

To a Bill, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to his Majesty for defraying the Expences of his Navy, Guards, and Garisons, for one Year; and other necessary Occasions; without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Proceedings relating to the Impeachments, to be printed.

*Ordered*, That all the Proceedings, with relation to the Impeachments, and what happened between the House of Lords and House of Commons, be examined by the Journals, and printed.

Commissioners of Publick Accounts—Reasons for disagreeing to Lords Amendments.

Sir *Thomas Meers* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered to the Lords at a Conference for disagreeing to the Amendments, made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for appointing Commissioners to take, state, and examine, the several and respective Accounts therein mentioned, That they had drawn up the Reasons accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were twice read, and agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

The Commons do disagree to the First Amendment, made by the Lords:

Because it is notorious, That many Millions of Money have been given to his Majesty, by the Commons, for the Service of the Publick, which remain yet unaccounted for, to the great Dissatisfaction of the good People of *England*, who chearfully contributed to those Supplies; and their Lordships First Amendment prevents any Account being taken of those Monies by the Commissioners appointed by the Commons for that Purpose.

The Commons do disagree to the said Amendment, made by the Lords:

Because *John Parkhurst* and *John Paschall* Esquires have, for several Years, been Commissioners of the Prizes taken during the late War, and are accountable for great Sums of Money arising thereby, which ought to be applied to the Use of the Publick: That the said *John Parkhurst* and *John Paschall* were frequently pressed to account for the same by the late Commissioners, appointed by Act of Parliament; but by many Artifices and Evasions, delayed and avoided giving any such Account as was required by the said Commissioners: That the Clause, to which their Lordships have disagreed, by their Second Amendment, requires them to account before the First of September next; but by their Lordships Amendment, the said *John Parkhurst* and *John Paschall* are exempted from giving any such Account; which is highly unreasonable.

The Commons do disagree to the Third Amendment, made by the Lords:

The Commons cannot agree to the Clause sent down by the Lords, marked with a X; because their Lordships have therein directed the Commissioners to allow and certify a pretended Debt to Colonel *Baldwin Leighton*; whereas the Disposition, as well as granting Money by Act of Parliament, hath ever been in the House of Commons: And this Amendment, relating to the Disposal of Money, does intrench upon that Right.

The Commons do disagree to the Fourth Amendment, made by the Lords:

Because it is notorious, that *Edward Whitacre*, mentioned in the Rider left out by their Lordships, hath, by colour of his Employment, as Solicitor to the Admiralty, received the Sum of Five-and-twenty thousand Pounds, and upwards, of publick Monies, without producing any just or reasonable Vouchers for the Expence thereof; and therefore ought to be accountable for the same:

And that, by reason of their Lordships disagreeing to the several Parts of this Bill, the Supplies provided by the Commons for paying the Arrears due to the Army, must, of Necessity, be ineffectual till another Session of Parliament.

*Ordered*, That the said Reasons be inserted in the Votes of this Day.

Reasons to be inserted in Votes.

A Message from his Majesty, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Message to attend the King.

Mr. Speaker,

The King commands this Honourable House to attend him, in the House of Peers, immediately.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend his Majesty: Where his Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to several publick and private Bills; and to make a most gracious Speech to both Houses:

Royal Assent to Bills.

And, afterwards, the Lord Keeper of the Great Seal, by his Majesty's Command, prorogued the Parliament until *Thursday* the Seventh Day of August next.

Parliament prorogued.

*Jovis, 7<sup>o</sup> die Augusti;*

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi, Anno 1701.

Parliament further prorogued.

THE House being met; A Message was brought from the Lords, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of his Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate Attendance of this

Honourable House, in the House of Peers, to hear the said Commission read.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, to hear the said Commission read, for the proroguing the Parliament until the Eighteenth Day of September next: And the same was prorogued accordingly until the Eighteenth Day of September next.

*Jovis, 18° die Septembris;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

Parliament  
further  
prorogued.

THE House being met;  
A Message was brought from the Lords, by  
Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:  
Mr. Speaker,  
The Lords, authorized by virtue of his Majesty's

Commission, desire the immediate Attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the said Commission read.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers: Where the said Commission was read, for the proroguing the Parliament until the Thirtieth Day of October next: And the same was prorogued accordingly until the Thirtieth Day of October next.

*Jovis, 30° die Octobris;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

Parliament  
further  
prorogued.

THE House being met;  
A Message was brought from the Lords, by  
Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:  
Mr. Speaker,  
The Lords, authorized by virtue of his Majesty's

Commission, desire the immediate Attendance of this Honourable House, in the House of Peers, to hear the said Commission read.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers: Where the Commission was read, for the proroguing the Parliament until the Sixth Day of November next: And the same was prorogued accordingly until the Sixth Day of November next:

*Jovis, 6° die Novembris;*

13° Willielmi, Anno 1701.

Parliament  
further  
prorogued.

THE House being met;  
A Message was brought from the Lords, by  
Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:  
Mr. Speaker,  
The Lords, authorized by virtue of his Majesty's

Commission, desire the immediate Attendance of this Honourable House, in the House of Peers, to hear the said Commission read.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers: Where the Commission was read, for the proroguing the Parliament until the Thirteenth Day of November instant: And the same was prorogued accordingly until the Thirteenth Day of November instant.

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By the King ; A Proclamation, for dissolving this present Parliament, and declaring the speedy calling another.

WILLIAM R.

Proclamation  
for dissolving  
Parliament.

WHEREAS our loving Subjects have universally, by their loyal Addresses, expressed their Resentment of the Injustice and Indignity offered to Us, and our People, by the late Proceedings of the *French King*, in taking upon him to own and declare the pretended Prince of *Wales*, to be King of *England, Scotland, and Ireland*; and have thereby also, in the most dutiful Manner, expressed their Affection to Our Person and Government, and their steady Resolution at this time, to do all things which can be desired from good *Englishmen*, and Protestants :

We have received the same with great Satisfaction; and have thought it reasonable, in this extraordinary Juncture, to give Our Subjects the Opportunity of choosing such Persons to represent them in Parliament, as they may judge most likely to bring to Effect their just and pious Purposes; and, in order thereto, to dissolve this present Parliament, which now stands prorogued to *Thursday* the Thirteenth Day of this instant November : We do therefore, with the Advice of Our Privy Council, publish this Our Royal Proclamation; and do hereby dissolve the said Parliament accordingly : And the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, of the said Parliament, are hereby discharged from their Meeting on *Thursday* the said Thirteenth Day of this instant November : And We do hereby make known to Our said Subjects, That We do intend to give Directions to the Keeper of Our Great Seal, for the Issuing out of Writs, in due Form of Law, for the calling of a new Parliament, which shall begin, and be holden, at *Westminster*, on *Tuesday* the Thirtieth Day of December next.

Given at Our Court at *Hampton Court*, the Eleventh Day of November 1701, in the Thirteenth Year of Our Reign.

G O D save the King.

Lord  
Steward's  
Deputation.

WILLIAM Duke of *Devonshire*, Great Steward of his Majesty's Houshold, One of his Majesty's most

Honourable Privy Council, and Knight of the most Noble Order of the Garter, To all, to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting. Know ye, That I the said Lord Steward, by virtue of my said Office of Lord Steward have constituted, named, and appointed, and by these Presents do constitute, name, and appoint, *Wm. Lord Pawlet, Lord Edw. Russell, Sir Hen. Dutt. Colt, Sir Wm. Forrester, Sir Wa. Young, Rob. Yard, John Lord Fitzharding, Sir Jero. Elves, Simon Harcourt, Wm. Cecil, Alg. Grevill, John Granvill, Edw. Clarke, Sir Fr. Child, Sir Cha. Hedges, Sir John Hawles, Tho. Mansell, Sir John Holland, John Harvey, Geo. Rodney Bridges, Sir Cha. Barrington, Sir Jo. Packington, Cha. Lord Spencer, Sir Hen. Pickering, Tho. Strangways, Alex. Lutterell, Edw. Harley, Hen. Pelham*, or any Six, Five, Four, Three, Two, or One, of them, my Deputies and Deputy, in my Place and Stead, to tender and minister the Oaths mentioned in the Statute, made in the First Year of his now Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for removing and preventing all Questions and Disputes concerning the Assembling and Sitting of this present Parliament," according to the Direction of the said Statute, and of all and every other Statute and Statutes, directing the taking the said Oaths before me, to all and every Person, which is, or shall be, elected or appointed a Knight, Citizen, or Burgess, or Baron of any of the Five Ports, for the Parliament, summoned to begin, and to be holden, this Thirtieth Day of December instant; and to take and receive the Oaths of every of the said Person and Persons, which is, or shall be, elected or appointed Knight, Citizen, Burgess, or Baron of any of the said Five Ports, as aforesaid, for the said Parliament, begun and holden on the said Thirtieth Day of December aforesaid; giving them, Six, Five, Four, Three, Two, and One of them, full Power and Authority, to execute and perform the same; ratifying and confirming all, and whatsoever, my said Deputies or Deputy, or any Six, Five, Four, Three, Two or One, of them, shall do and perform in this behalf, in as ample, perfect, and full Manner, as if I myself had personally been present and done the same : In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal. Given this Thirtieth Day of December, in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord *William* the Third, by the Grace of God, of *England, Scotland, France, and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. *Anno Domini* 1701.

DEVONSHIRE.



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## OF THE

### HOUSE *of* COMMONS.

Parliamentum inceptu' et tent' apud civitat' Westmonast. die Martis, 30<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, Anno regni GULIELMI Tertii, Dei gratiâ Angl', Scotiæ, Franciæ, et Hiberniæ, Regis, fidei defensoris, &c. 13<sup>o</sup>, annoque Domini 1701.

Parliament  
meets.

ON which Day, being the First Day of the Meeting of this Parliament, pursuant to a Proclamation hereunto annexed, and to the Writs which had issued for that Purpose, the most Noble *William Duke of Devonshire*, Lord Steward of his Majesty's Household, came about Eleven a Clock, into the Rooms belonging to the Clerk of the House of Commons, called the Inner Court of Wards, the usual Place, to administer the Oaths appointed to be taken by the Members returned to serve in Parliament: And *George Wright* Esquire, the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, having delivered in a Book of the Names of the Members who had been returned; and *Paul Jodrell* Esquire, the Clerk of the House of Commons, and Mr. *Needler*, his Clerk Assistant, and other his Clerks, attending according to their Duty; the said Lord Steward did himself, in Person, administer the Oaths appointed, to several of the Members who appeared; and afterwards made a Commission, or Deputation, under his Hand and Seal, hereunto annexed, to several of the Members, who had been sworn, to administer the said Oaths to the rest of the Members returned; who administered the same accordingly, to such others as appeared: Which being done, the Members repaired to their Seats in the House of Commons.

After which,

Message to  
attend the  
King.

A Message was delivered from the King, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Gentlemen,

The King commands this Honourable House to attend him, immediately, in the House of Peers.

And accordingly the House went up to attend his Majesty:

Who was pleased, by the Right Honourable Sir *Nathan Wright*, Lord Keeper of the Great Seal, to command the Commons to return to their House, and choose their Speaker, and present him to his Majesty To-morrow at Eleven a Clock.

Mr. Harley  
chosen  
Speaker.

And, the House being returned;

The Lord *Spencer* acquainted the House, That, their First Business being to choose their Speaker, they ought to make choice of a Person of Experience in Parliamentary Affairs, and of Zeal for his Country: And, as such, proposed, That Sir *Thomas Littleton*, who had been formerly Speaker, might be Speaker again.

Whereupon the Earl of *Disert* recommended *Robert Harley* Esquire, who was Speaker the last Parliament, as being a Person, of whose great Understanding and Per-

formances in Parliamentary Affairs the House had had Experience.

And the Lord *Spencer* being seconded by *John Smith* Esquire;

And the Earl of *Disert* being seconded by *Henry St. John* Esquire, and several others;

After some Debate upon both the Persons proposed, the Members, who spoke therein, addressing themselves to the Clerk at the Table;

The Clerk proposed the Question, That Sir *Thomas Littleton* Baronet do take the Chair as Speaker.

And that Question being put;

The House divided:

The Yeas on the Right Hand;

And the Noes on the Left:

Teller for the Yeas,

The Lord *William Powlet*: 212.

Teller for the Noes,

Mr. *Gwyn*: 216.

The Report of which Numbers being made to the Clerk at the Table;

The Clerk declared the Numbers.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then a Motion being made, That *Robert Harley* Esquire might take the Chair as Speaker;

He stood up in his Place; and desired to be excused; and that the House would please to think of some other Person more able to serve them.

But the House not admitting of his Excuse;

The Clerk put the Question; That *Robert Harley* Esquire do take the Chair as Speaker.

Resolved, That *Robert Harley* Esquire do take the Chair as Speaker.

Whereupon he was conducted to the Chair by the Earl of *Disert*, and *Henry St. John* Esquire; and, upon the lower Step, after he had given the House his Thanks for the Honour they had done him, he again desired they would yet be pleased to excuse him, and make choice of another Person to serve them.

But the House crying, "No, No;"

He took the Chair.

And the House being put in mind, That his Majesty had appointed them to present their Speaker To-morrow at Eleven a Clock:

Mr. Speaker Elect adjourned the House till To-morrow Morning, Ten a Clock.

Mercurii, 31<sup>o</sup> die Decembris;13<sup>o</sup> Gulielmi Tertii, Anno 1701.Message to  
attend the  
King.

THE House being met; and Mr. Speaker Elect having taken the Chair;

A Message was brought from his Majesty, by Mr. Aston, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Gentlemen,

The King commands this Honourable House to attend him in the House of Peers, immediately.

And accordingly Mr. Speaker Elect, with the House, went up to attend his Majesty; and to present their Speaker: Who spake thus; viz.

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Jovis, 1<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;Anno 13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.Members  
take Oaths.

SEVERAL other Members present took the Oaths, and made and subscribed the Declaration, and signed the Association, by Law appointed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 2<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;Anno 13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.Members  
take Oaths.

SEVERAL other Members took the Oaths, and made and subscribed the Declaration, and signed the Association. Afterwards,

Fraudulent  
Assurances.

A Bill to prevent Frauds in the Assurance of Ships and Merchandize, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Grand  
Committees.

*Ordered*, That the Grand Committee for Religion do sit every *Tuesday* in the Afternoon, in the House.

*Ordered*, That the Grand Committee for Grievances do sit every *Thursday* in the Afternoon, in the House.

*Ordered*, That the Grand Committee for Courts of Justice do sit every *Saturday* in the Afternoon, in the House.

*Ordered*, That the Grand Committee for Trade do sit every *Friday* in the Afternoon, in the House.

Committee  
of Privileges.

*Ordered*, That a Committee of Privileges and Elections be appointed of Sir Rowland Gwyn, Sir Justinian Isham, Mr. Bromley, Lord Sherrard, Sir Chr. Musgrave, Sir Cha. Hotham, Mr. Cecill, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Stonehouse, Mr. Hambden, Sir Richard Onslow, Mr. Pagitt, Mr. Harvey, Colonel Bierley, Mr. Hele, Mr. Bold, Sir Robert Masham, Mr. Smith, Mr. Vaughan, Lord Spencer, Mr. Lowther, Colonel Stringer, Sir Jos. Jekill, Mr. Pudsey, Sir Cha. Bloys, Mr. Crowe, Mr. St. John, Mr. Bagott, Mr. Fagg, Mr. Hysham, Mr. Johnson, Sir Rich. Cocks, Sir Robert Cotton, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Drake, Mr. Harley, Lord Rosse, Mr. Bere, Mr. Topham, Mr. Thynn, Mr. Dowdswell, Earl of Dysert, Sir Hen. Lyddall, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Mitford, Mr. Yard, Mr. Wm. Bridges, Colonel Wharton, Sir John Poole, Sir Tho. Littleton, Sir Fran. Masham, Mr. Cooper, Sir John Hawkes, Mr. Harcourt, Sir Robert Clayton, Mr. Hayes, Sir Edward Turnor, Sir Jo. Williams, Mr. Jacob, Mr. Bertie, Sir Jos. Tredenham, Mr. Pabnes, Sir Bryan Stapleton, Sir Tho. Hammore, Mr. Mansell, Mr. Cummins, Mr. Price, Mr. Herbert, Mr. Carter, Mr. Etterick, Sir Hen. Bunbury, Mr. Ashley, Mr. Fleming, Mr. Scobell, Mr. Farrer, Sir John Hol-

land, Mr. Serjeant Hooper, Mr. Moncton, Mr. Herbert, Colonel Granville, Mr. Edgcombe, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Fox. Mr. Weld, Mr. Harris, Mr. Proby, Mr. Kendall, Sir Mich. Wharton, Mr. Hopkins, Sir Rushout Cullen, Sir Rich. Vivian, Mr. St. Loo, Mr. Cox, Mr. Dormer, Mr. Winton, Sir Cha. Hedges, Sir Ja. Rushout, Sir Rich. Temple, Sir Isaac Rebow, Sir Wm. Scawen, Sir Walter Yonge, Sir Godfrey Copley, Mr. Clark, Sir Robert Jenkinson, Sir Wm. St. Quintin, Mr. Birch, Mr. Neale, Mr. Aislaby, Mr. Rowney, Lord Chenie, Mr. Austen, Mr. Halsey, Sir Cha. Barrington, Sir Wm. Hustler, Sir Wm. Ashurst, Sir Hen. Colt. Mr. Onslow, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. Renda, Mr. Pendarvis, Mr. Spencer, Mr. Trenchard, Mr. Nicholas, Mr. Wild, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Gee, Mr. Cocks, Colonel Lee, Sir John Molesworth, Sir John Stonehouse, Mr. Curson, Mr. Mountague, Mr. Buller, Serjeant Whitaker, Mr. Cotton, Sir Tho. Mackworth, Mr. Burnaby, Sir John Bolles, Mr. Masters, Mr. Ashurst, Mr. Norris, Mr. Hoblyn, Mr. Boyle, Colonel Colchester, Sir Alex. Rigby, Mr. Pitt, Sir Geo. Rook, Sir Tho. Hales, Mr. Dunch, Mr. Heathcott, Sir Wm. Robinson, Colonel King, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Halford, Mr. Nappier, Mr. Foley, Sir Jo. Phillips, Sir Phil. Boteler, Mr. Pelham, Mr. Campion, Lord Wm. Powlet, Mr. Dolben, Mr. Brewer, Mr. Manly, Sir Robert Hilliard, Mr. Bertie, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Cook, Mr. Tho. Foley, Mr. Roberts, Sir Tho. Abney, Mr. Dryden, Mr. Yates, Mr. Cholmley, Colonel Thompson, Mr. Brereton, Mr. Foley, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Ekins, Mr. Norris, Mr. Tredenham, Sir Edward Acton, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Paice, Mr. Trelawney, Lord Mordaunt, Colonel Shrimpton, Mr. Boyle, Sir Wm. Drake: And that they do meet on *Monday* next, at Five a Clock in the Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chambers; and sit every *Wednesday*, *Friday*, and *Monday*, in the Afternoon: And all that come, are to have Voices: And they are to take into Consideration all such Matters as shall be referred to them, touching Returns, Elections, and Privileges; and to proceed upon Double Returns, in the First place; and to report their Proceedings, with their Opinions therein, to the House, from time to time: And all Persons, that will question Returns, are to do it in Fourteen Days next, and so within Fourteen Days next after any new Return shall be brought in: And the Committee to have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records, for their Information: And all Members who are returned for Two or more Places, are to make their Elections by this Day Three Weeks, for which of the Places they will serve, provided there be no Question upon the Return for that Place: And if any thing shall come in question, touching the Return, Election, or Matter of Privilege of any Member he is to withdraw during the time the Matter is in Debate: And that all Members returned upon Double Returns do withdraw until their Returns are determined.

The House being moved, That the Speech, made by his Majesty to both Houses, might be reported;

Mr. Speaker reported, That his Majesty was pleased, upon *Wednesday* last, to make a most gracious Speech to both Houses: Which consisting of many Particulars, and being of great Weight, he had desired, and obtained, a Copy thereof, to prevent any Mistake in reporting the same: And he read the same to the House; which is as follows; viz.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I PROMISE Myself you are met together full of that just Sense of the common Danger of Europe, and that Respectment of the late Proceedings of the French King, which has been so fully and universally expressed in the loyal and seasonable Addresses of My People.

The owning and setting up the pretended Prince of Wales for King of England is not only the highest Indignity offered to Me, and the Nation, but does so nearly concern every Man, who has a Regard for the Protestant Religion, or the present and future Quiet and Happiness of his Country, that I need not press you to lay it seriously to Heart, and to consider, what further effectual Means may be used for securing the Succession of the Crown

The King's  
Speech  
reported.

Crown in the Protestant Line, and extinguishing the Hopes of all Pretenders, and their open or secret Abettors.

By the *French* King's placing his Grandson on the Throne of *Spain*, he is in a Condition to oppress the rest of *Europe*, unless speedy and effectual Measures be taken: Under this Pretence, he is become the real Master of the whole *Spanish* Monarchy; he has made it to be entirely depending on *France*, and disposes of it as of his own Dominions: and by that means, he has surrounded his Neighbours in such a manner, that though the Name of Peace may be said to continue, yet they are put to the Expence and Inconveniencies of a War.

This must affect *England* in the nearest and most sensible Manner in respect to our Trade, which will soon become precarious in all the valuable Branches of it; in respect to our Peace and Safety at home, which we cannot hope should long continue; and in respect to that Part which *England* ought to take in the Preservation of the Liberty of *Europe*.

In order to obviate the general Calamity with which the rest of Christendom is threatened by this exorbitant Power of *France*, I have concluded several Alliances, according to the Encouragement given Me by both Houses of Parliament; which, I will direct, shall be laid before you; and which, I doubt not, you will enable me to make good.

There are some other Treaties still depending, that shall be likewise communicated to you as soon as they are perfected.

It is fit I should tell you, the Eyes of all *Europe* are upon this Parliament; all Matters are at a stand till your Resolutions are known; and therefore no Time ought to be lost.

You have yet an Opportunity, by God's Blessing, to secure to you, and your Posterity, the quiet Enjoyment of your Religion and Liberties, if you are not wanting to yourselves, but will exert the antient Vigour of the *English* Nation: But I tell you plainly, My Opinion is, If you do not lay hold on this Occasion, you have no Reason to hope for another.

In order to do your Part, it will be necessary to have a great Strength at Sea, and to provide for the Security of our Ships in Harbour, and also, that there be such a Force at Land, as is expected in proportion to the Forces of our Allies.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I do recommend these Matters to you with that Concern and Earnestness which their Importance requires: At the same time I cannot but press you to take care of the publick Credit; which cannot be preserved but by keeping sacred that Maxim, That they shall never be Losers, who trust to a Parliamentary Security.

It is always with Regret, when I do ask Aids of My People; but you will observe, That I desire nothing which relates to any personal Expence of mine: I am only pressing you to do all you can for your own Safety and Honour, at so critical and dangerous a Time; and am willing, that what is given should be wholly appropriated to the Purposes for which it is intended.

And, since I am speaking on this Head, I think it proper to put you in mind, That, during the late War, I ordered the Accounts to be laid yearly before the Parliament; and also gave my Assent to several Bills for taking the publick Accounts, that My Subjects may have Satisfaction, how the Money given for the War was applied: And I am willing that Matter may be put in any further Way of Examination, that it may appear, whether there were any Misapplications and Mismanagements; or whether the Debt, that remains upon us, has really arisen from the Shortness of the Supplies, or the Deficiency of the Funds.

I have already told you, how necessary Dispatch will be, for carrying on that great publick Business, whereon our Safety, and all that is valuable to us, depends: I hope, what Time can be spared will be employed about those other very desirable Things which I have so often

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recommended from the Throne; I mean, the forming some good Bills for employing the Poor, for encouraging Trade, and the further Suppressing of Vice.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I hope you are come together determined to avoid all manner of Disputes and Differences; and resolved to act with a general and hearty Concurrence for promoting the common Cause, which alone can make this a happy Session.

I should think it as great a Blessing as could befall *England*, if I could observe you as much inclined to lay aside those unhappy fatal Animositities which divide and weaken you, as I am disposed to make all My Subjects safe and easy as to any even the highest Offences committed against Me.

Let Me conjure you to disappoint the only Hopes of our Enemies, by your Unanimity: I have shewn, and always will shew, how desirous I am to be the common Father of all My People: Do you, in like manner, lay aside Parties and Divisions: Let there be no other Distinction heard of among us, for the future, but of those who are for the Protestant Religion, and the present Establishment; and of those who mean a Popish Prince, and a *French* Government.

I will only add this: If you do in good earnest desire to see *England* hold the Balance of *Europe*, and to be indeed at the Head of the Protestant Interest, it will appear by your right improving the present Opportunity.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That the humble Thanks of this House be returned to his Majesty, for his most gracious Speech from the Throne; and to assure his Majesty, That this House will support and defend his Majesty's lawful and rightful Title to the Crown of these Realms, against the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all his open and secret Abettors and Adherents, and all other his Majesty's Enemies whatsoever: And will enable his Majesty to shew his just Resentment of the Affront and Indignity offered by the *French* King, in taking upon him to declare the pretended Prince of *Wales* King of *England*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*: And, further, will maintain and support the Succession to the Imperial Crown of this Realm, and the Dominions and Territories thereunto belonging, in the Protestant Line, according to the several Acts of Parliament, made for the Settlement thereof, since his Majesty's happy Accession to the Throne.

Address on the King's Speech.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That this House will, to the utmost of their Power, enable his Majesty to make good all those Alliances his Majesty has made, or shall make, pursuant to the Addresses of the late House of Commons, for the Preservation of the Liberties of *Europe*, and reducing the exorbitant Power of *France*.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be drawn up, to be presented to his Majesty, pursuant to the said Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to draw up the said Address:

And it is referred to Sir Charles Hedges, Sir Wm. St. Quintin, Mr. Smith, Mr. Lowndes, Sir Tho. Littleton, Mr. Austen, Lord Spencer, Mr. St. John, Sir Tho. Powis, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Harvey, Lord Rosse, Mr. Cooke, Sir Rich. Onslow, Colonel Granville, Mr. Finch, Mr. Palmes, Mr. Pelham, Mr. Dormer, Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Bridges, Sir Chr. Musgrove, Mr. Boyle, Sir Edw. Seymour, Mr. Gwyn, Lord Sherrard, Sir Wm. Yong, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Curson, Mr. Secretary Vernon, Mr. Freeman, Sir Jos. Jekill, Mr. Brewer, Colonel Wharton, Earl of Dysert, Sir John Leveson Gower, Lord Chenie, Earl of Ranelagh, Sir Rich. Cocks, Sir Geo. Rook, Sir Rowland Gwyn, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Pagit, Sir Godfrey Copley, Mr. Clark, Lord Coningsby, Colonel Byerly, Lord Wm. Powlett: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That a Bill be brought in for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales*.

Attaining the Pretender.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That Sir Rowland Gwyn, and the Lord William Powlet, do prepare, and bring in the said Bill.

The King's  
Speech to be  
considered.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Thursday Morning next, take his Majesty's most gracious Speech into Consideration.

Printing the  
Votes.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to make a Motion (it being after Two a Clock) for printing the Votes.

And a Motion being made accordingly;

*Ordered*, That the Votes of this House be printed: And that Mr. Speaker do peruse the same; and appoint the Printing thereof: And that no other do presume to print the same, but such as he shall appoint.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 3<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;*

Anno 13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Usual Orders.

*ORDERED*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Privileges and Elections, That they do admit only Two Counsel of a Side in any Cause before them: And that the same be a standing Order of the House.

*Resolved*, That no Person be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, upon any Complaint of a Breach of Privilege, until the Matter of such Complaint shall have been examined by the Committee of Privileges, and reported to the House: And that the same be a standing Order of the House.

*Resolved*, That no Member have Privilege in Case where he is only a Trustee.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That no Peer of this Realm hath any Right to give his Vote in the Election for any Member to serve in Parliament.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That where the House shall judge any Petition touching Elections to be frivolous and vexatious, the House will order Satisfaction to be made to the Person petitioned against.

*Resolved*, That in case it shall appear any Person hath procured himself to be elected or returned as a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by Bribery, or any other corrupt Practices, this House will proceed with the utmost Severity against such Person.

*Ordered*, That no Letters be delivered out, by the Postman attending this House, until the Rising of the House.

*Resolved*, That if it shall appear that any Person hath been tampering with any Witnesses, in respect of their Evidence to be given to this House, or any Committee thereof, or directly or indirectly endeavoured to deter or hinder any Person from appearing, or giving Evidence; the same is declared to be a high Crime and Misdemeanor, and this House will proceed with the utmost Severity against such Offenders.

*Resolved*, That, if it shall appear any Person hath given false Evidence, in any Cause before the House, or any Committee thereof, this House will proceed with the utmost Severity against such Offenders.

*Ordered*, That the Back-doors of the Speakers Chamber be locked up every Day, at the Sitting of the House; and the Keys brought, and laid upon the Table, till the Rising of the House.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That for any Lord of Parliament, or any Lord Lieutenant of any County, to concern themselves in the Elections of Members to serve for the Commons in Parliament, the same is a high Infringement of the Liberties and Privileges of the Commons of England.

*Ordered*, That a Table of Fees, claimed by the Officers of the House, be laid before the House.

Fees of  
Officers of  
the House.

Sir Charles Hedges reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to draw up an humble Address, to be presented to his Majesty, pursuant to the Resolutions Yesterday, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and is as followeth; viz.

Address on  
the King's  
Speech.

Most gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of England, in Parliament assembled, do return our most humble and hearty Thanks to your Majesty, for your most gracious Speech from the Throne; and humbly crave Leave to assure Your Majesty, That this House will support and defend Your Majesty's lawful and rightful Title to the Crown of these Realms, against the pretended Prince of Wales, and all his open and secret Abettors and Adherents, and all other Your Majesty's Enemies whatsoever; and we will enable Your Majesty to shew your just Resentment of the Affront and Indignity offered to Your Majesty, and this Nation, by the French King, in taking upon him to declare the pretended Prince of Wales King of England, Scotland, and Ireland: And we are firmly and unanimously resolved to maintain and support the Succession to the Imperial Crown of this Realm, and the Dominions and Territories thereunto belonging, in the Protestant Line, as the same is settled by an Act declaring the Rights and Liberties of the Subject, and settling the Succession of the Crown; and further provided for by an Act of the last Parliament, intituled, An Act for the further Limitation of the Crown; and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject: And for the better effecting the same, we will, to the utmost of our Power, enable Your Majesty to make good all those Alliances Your Majesty has made, or shall make, pursuant to the Addresses and Advice of Your most dutiful and loyal Commons of the last Parliament, for preserving the Liberties of Europe, and reducing the exorbitant Power of France.

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That this House doth agree to the said Address.

*Resolved*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do humbly know his Majesty's Pleasure, when he will be attended by this House.

A Petition of Henry Silly, of Trevelver, in the County of Cornwall, Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly elected to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Tregoney, in the said County, but by the unlawful Practices of the Agents of Hugh Fortescue and Hugh Woolridge, the Mayor of the said Borough (who allowed Minors, and other unqualified Voters for the said Mr. Fortescue, and rejected several lawful Voters for the Petitioner) hath unduly returned Mr. Fortescue as one of the Representatives of the said Borough; refusing to seal the Petitioner's Indenture, to his manifest Wrong and Injury: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Tregoney  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition



East Retford  
Election.

A Petition of Sir *Willoughby Hickman* Baronet, and *Wm. Levenez* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for *East Retford*, in the County of *Nottingham*, the Petitioners, and *John Thornhagh* and *Thomas White* Esquires, stood Candidates: That *William Bellamy* and *John Reynolds*, Bailiffs of the said Borough, refused to poll several Persons who had a Right, and demanded to be polled for the Petitioners; several of which were adjudged, by the last Parliament, to have a Right to vote; upon which the Petitioner Sir *Willoughby Hickman*, then a Petitioner, was, by that Parliament, declared duly elected: And the Petitioners had a Majority, not only by those Votes, but also by others, who had the same Right, and ought to have been returned; but the said Bailiffs, with Mr. *Thornhagh* and Mr. *White*, used many other illegal and unfair Practices; by which means the said Mr. *Thornhagh* and Mr. *White* have unjustly procured the said Bailiffs to return them, in Wrong to the Petitioners, and the legal Electors of the said Borough: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and Relief therein.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Derby  
County  
Election.

A Petition of *William Marquis of Hartington*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Knights of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Derby*, the Petitioner, *John Lord Roos*, *Tho. Coke* Esquire, and *John Curson* Esquire, stood Candidates; and the Petitioner was duly chosen, and ought to have been returned, One of the Knights for the said County, he having the Majority of legal Votes; but divers unqualified Persons were admitted to poll for Mr. *Coke* and Mr. *Curson*; and many, who were duly qualified, were not permitted to poll for the Petitioner, or were kept from polling by Force, Threats, Bribes, and other indirect Practices; by which means the said Mr. *Coke* and Mr. *Curson* are unduly returned, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying the speedy Relief of the House in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Derby  
Borough  
Election.

A Petition of *Thomas Stanhope* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Derby*, the Lord *James Cavendish*, Sir *Cha. Pye* Baronet, *John Harpur* Esquire, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates: That *Thomas Carter* Gentleman, Mayor of the said Borough, did use several illegal Practices on behalf of the said Lord *Cavendish*, and polled for him several unqualified Persons; and refused to poll several who had a Right, and demanded to poll for the Petitioner; notwithstanding which, the Petitioner had the Majority of legal Votes, was duly elected, and ought to have been returned, One of the Burgesses for the said Borough; but the said Mayor hath returned the said Lord *Cavendish*, though not duly elected, in Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Ditto.

A Petition of Sir *Charles Pye* Baronet, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Derby*, the Lord *James Cavendish*, the Petitioner, *John Harpur* and *Tho. Stanhope* Esquires, stood Candidates; and the Petitioner had the Majority of legal Votes, was duly elected, and ought to have been returned, with the Lord *Cavendish*; but many indirect and illegal Prac-

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tices, were used to defeat the Petitioner's Election, and gain Votes for the said Mr. *Harpur* and Mr. *Stanhope*, who joined their Interests together, and had many undue Persons admitted to poll for them; and Mr. *Harpur* is unduly returned, with the said Lord *Cavendish*, in Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Bishop's  
Castle  
Election.

A Petition of *George Walcott* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*, in the County of *Salop*, *Charles Mason* Esquire, by himself, and by *Thomas Mason* Esquire, his Father, *Cha. Hammer*, his Brother-in-law, and other his Agents, hath procured several Persons, by Bribery, and other illegal Practices, to vote for him; notwithstanding which, the Petitioner had the Majority of Votes, and, in Justice, ought to have been returned a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough; but one *Richard Betton*, Shoemaker, and Uncle to the said Mr. *Cha. Mason*, being then Bailiff, of the said Borough, did arbitrarily refuse to poll several Burgesses, who offered to vote for the Petitioner, and unduly returned the said *Charles Mason*; all which Proceedings the Petitioner is ready to make appear: And praying Relief therein.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Aylesbury  
Election.

A Petition of *Simon Mayne* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was one of the Candidates at the last Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Aylesbury*, in the County of *Bucks*; where a much greater Number of qualified Electors offered to vote for the Petitioner, but were arbitrarily rejected by the Constables, who are the proper Officers for taking the Poll within the said Borough, whereby, as by other illegal Practices, *James Herbert* Esquire, one other of the Candidates, was returned, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying the House to examine the Premises, and relieve him therein.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Hertford  
Election.

A Petition of *William Munson* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election for Members to serve in this present Parliament for the Town of *Hertford*, the Petitioner, *Cha. Caesar*, and *Richard Gulston*, Esquires, stood Candidates; at which Election a Poll was had; but *Benj. Jones*, the Mayor of *Hertford*, refused to poll several legal Voters for the Petitioner; and admitted great Numbers to poll, who had no Right, against the Petitioner, they not being Inhabitants, in whom only the ancient prescriptive Right of electing was, before the Charters of Incorporations were granted; nor having been Inhabitants of the said Borough, or the Parishes thereof, at the time when sworn Burgesses; without which Qualification the Mayor and Aldermen had no Power to make any Burgesses; by which means, and other undue Practices, the Mayor declared Mr. *Gulston* to have the Majority of legal Votes, though the Petitioner had; and accordingly returned him, in Breach of his Trust and Duty, and in manifest Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

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A Petition



Horsham  
Election.

A Petition of *Henry Cowper* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Henry Yates* Esquire, the Petitioner, and *John Wicker* Esquire, stood Candidates at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for *Horsham*, in the County of *Sussex*; where Mr. *Wicker*, and his Agents, by Bribes, Threats, Menaces, and other illegal Practices, procured divers Electors to vote for him; and *John Rolf*, his Brother-in-law, took upon him to act as One of the Bailiffs of the said Borough, and voted, though he was not qualified to act in either of those Capacities; and other unqualified Persons were admitted to vote for Mr. *Wicker*: Notwithstanding which Practices, the Petitioner had the Majority of legal Votes, and ought to have been returned; but the said *John Rolf*, and *Nath. Tredcroft*, who acted as Bailiffs, have returned the said Mr. *Wicker*, to the great Wrong of the Petitioner: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Coventry  
Election.

A Petition of Sir *Christopher Hales* Baronet, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Citizens to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Coventry*, the Petitioner, *Tho. Gery*, *Hen. Neale* and *Edward Hopkins* Esquires, stood Candidates: That the Sheriffs for the said City, and others in favour of Mr. *Neale* and Mr. *Hopkins*, did use several corrupt and illegal Practices against the Petitioner; who, nevertheless, had a Majority of all the Candidates: Yet the Sheriffs, in Violation of the Rights of the said City, and manifest Partiality, have made a double Return: And praying, That the Merits of the Return and Election may be forthwith heard.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Malden  
Election.

A Petition of *Irby Mountague* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner stood a Candidate at the Election for Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malden*, in the County of *Essex*; and the major Part of the Freeman, in whom only the Right of Election is, voted for the Petitioner: Yet the Bailiffs, Town Clerk, and others, did, by Promises, Threats, and other arbitrary and illegal Practices, influence and affright several of the Electors from giving their free Votes; and the Bailiffs and Town Clerk refused to poll Thirty Persons for the Petitioner, who had a Right, and, as such, were called over by the said Magistrates to give their Votes; and arbitrarily have returned *John Comyns* Esquire, their Recorder, as One of their Burgesses, to the great Injury of the Petitioner: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Orford  
Election.

A Petition of *Charles Killegrew* Esquire, and *Charles May* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Sheriff of *Suffolk* having directed a Precept to the Mayor of the Borough of *Orford*, for electing Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament; one *John Hook*, pretending himself to be the Mayor, although, upon a solemn Tryal at Bar in *Westminster-hall*, his pretended Title was found illegal, got the said Precept; and, on the Second of December last, divers Persons proceeded to an Election before him; and he has taken upon him to return Sir *Edmund Bacon* and Sir *Edward Turner*: That the same Day, before *Daniel Whitby* Esquire, the rightful Mayor of the said Borough, several other Persons, being a great Majority of the qualified Electors, elected the Petitioners, and executed an Indenture of Return under their Common Seal; which *Whitby* tendered to the said Sheriff, who

refused to accept it; and that he refused to deliver the Precept to *Whitby*, who asked him for it before the Election; but the Sheriff hath accepted of the Return of the said *Hook*: Which partial Proceedings of the Sheriff and *Hook* are to the great Prejudice of the Petitioners: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Carlisle  
Election.

A Petition of *Thomas Starmer* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, upon the Dissolution of the last Parliament, *William Nicholson* Esquire, then and yet Mayor of the City of *Carlisle*, in the County of *Cumberland*, and other Agents for *James Lowther* Esquire, constantly, to the very Time of Election, endeavoured, by Bribery, Promises, Threats, and other undue Practices, to influence the then approaching Election in favour of the said Mr. *Lowther*; and, for that Purpose, the Mayor, after the Teste of the Writ, restored several Persons, formerly disfranchised, to their Freedoms; though he refused to restore others in the same Circumstances, because, he suspected, they would vote for the Petitioner: And, at the last Election of Citizens to serve in Parliament for the said City, the Petitioner stood a Candidate; the said Mayor declared, He would return Mr. *Lowther*, right or wrong; and refused to poll several legal Voters for the Petitioner; and polled several for Mr. *Lowther*, who had no Right; pretending to govern himself by some Book, or List, of the Freeman's Names in his Custody, which he, or some other Person, has altered, he refusing to let the Petitioner have a Copy or Sight thereof: That, after the Poll was closed, and Objections made to several Votes on both Sides, it appeared, the Petitioner had a great Majority; who insisted to be returned; which the said Mayor refused; and adjourned the Poll; and altered it as he pleased; and never came to the Place of Adjournment, to examine, or proceed upon, the Poll; but privately, in a Tavern, he, and some of the Aldermen and Freeman, executed, as it is pretended, an Indenture: wherein it is alleged, that the said Mr. *Lowther* was duly elected; and have caused him to be returned accordingly, though unjustly; and many other undue Practices were used, both before and at the said Election: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration, and relieve the Petitioner therein.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Tavistock  
Election.

A Petition of *James Bulteel* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Town of *Tavistock*, in the County of *Devon*; and an Indenture was executed by the Electors, and tendered to *William Spry* the Portreeve; but he absolutely refused to receive the same, or to return the Petitioner, as he ought to have done; but he hath returned the Lord *Edward Russell*, in whose behalf several undue Practices were made use of to obtain Votes, to the Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying the House to put the Matters aforesaid, into Examination, and do therein as the House shall think fit.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Worcester  
Election.

A Petition of *William Walsh* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was One of the Candidates for Knights of the Shire for the County of *Worcester*, at the late Election; where he had a Majority of legal Voters: But Sir *John Packington*, by giving Money and Entertainment to Voters, and other undue Practices, procured himself to be returned, in prejudice

prejudice to the Petitioner: And that the Sheriff was guilty of several irregular Practices; for that, on casting up the Poll, the said Sir *John* appeared to have but a small Majority of the Petitioner; yet the Sheriff denied a Scrutiny: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Ludlow  
Election.

A Petition of *William Gower* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this Parliament for the Borough of *Ludlow*, in the County of *Salop*, Sir *Tho. Powis*, *Francis Herbert* Esquire, and the Petitioner stood Candidates: But Mr. *Herbert*, and his Agents, by illegal Practices, and by corrupting and bribing the qualified Voters, did thereby procure himself to be returned, with Sir *Thomas Powys*, in Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Newark  
upon Trent  
Election.

A Petition of *John Rayner* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Newark upon Trent*, in the County of *Nottingham*, the Honourable *James Saunderson* Esquire, Sir *Matth. Jennison*, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates: That Sir *Matthew Jennison*, after the Teste of the Writ, by himself and Agents, in a publick Manner, did give and send Money to all the Publick-houses in the said Borough, and caused all the Voters to be publickly entertained there, in order to procure himself, and Sir *Geo. Markham*, to be elected: By which, and many other undue Practices, the said Sir *Matthew Jennison* procured himself to be returned; though the Petitioner, setting aside the Votes unduly obtained by Sir *Matthew*, had the Majority of legal Electors: And praying Relief in the Premises, upon a notorious Breach of an Act of Parliament.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Leominster  
Election.

A Petition of *John Dutton Colt* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Leominster*, in the County of *Hereford*, *Edward Harley* Esquire, with divers other his Agents, did, by Menaces, and other unlawful Practices, procure divers of the Electors to vote for him; and, by the like Means, prevailed with others not to vote for the Petitioner: Notwithstanding which, the Petitioner had the Majority of legal Votes: Yet the Bailiff hath returned the said Mr. *Harley*, in Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying a short Day may be appointed to make out his said Allegations; and that he may be relieved in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

St. Mawes  
Election.

A Petition of *James Vernon senior*, Esquire, and *James Vernon junior*, Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners, and Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, and *John Tredenham* Esquire, stood Candidates at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *St. Mawes*, in the County of *Cornwall*: That several qualified Voters did actually vote for the Petitioners, and others tendered their Votes; but were disallowed by the Portreeve of the said Borough; and unqualified Persons were admitted to vote for Sir *Jos.* and Mr. *Tredenham*; and several illegal Practices were used by the Portreeve, and others, who have

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returned the said Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, and Mr. *Tredenham*, in Violation of the Rights and Privileges of the said Borough, and in Wrong to the Petitioners, who had the Majority of legal Votes, and ought to have been returned: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Appleby  
Election.

A Petition of *James Graham* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner stood a Candidate at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Appleby*, in the County of *Westmorland*; and, upon a Poll, several legal Voters for the Petitioner were rejected; and several Persons, who had no Right to vote, were admitted, in the Poll, for *Wharton Dunch* Esquire, though objected against by the Petitioner; and, upon a just Scrutiny, the Petitioner had a great Majority of Mr. *Dunch*; and yet the Mayor of the said Borough hath returned Mr. *Dunch* as duly elected: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Hastings  
Election.

A Petition of *William Ashburnham* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner stood a Candidate for a Burgess for the Port of *Hastings* to serve in this Parliament; and had the Majority of qualified Voters: But *John Moushner* Esquire, by Bribes, Threats, and Promises, hath procured himself to be returned for the said Port, in Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Agmondesham  
Election.

A Petition of Sir *Roger Hill* Knight, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Agmondesham*, in the County of *Bucks*, the Petitioner was duly chosen: But the Constables of the said Borough, who are the proper Officers there to take the Poll, have wrongfully returned *John Drake* Esquire, with the Lord *Cheine*: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein to the House.

Wallingford  
Election.

A Petition of *William Dunch* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Wallingford*, in the County of *Berks*, the Petitioner, *William Jennens*, *Richard Hide*, and *Tho. Renda*, Esquires, stood Candidates; where the Petitioner was chosen by the Majority of legal Electors: But the Mayor of *Wallingford* hath falsely returned the said Mr. *Jennens* and Mr. *Renda*; and the Mayor, and others, did use several illegal Practices, in Violation of the Rights of the said Borough: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Shoreham  
Election.

A Petition of *John Pery* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner having served as One of the Burgesses for *Shoreham*, in *Sussex*, in all the Parliaments since the late Convention, except the last Parliament, he was sent for by the Inhabitants, and went down, and stood a Candidate at the last Election there;

there; and had a Majority of true Votes: But *Tho. Edwards*, Constable of the said Borough, by the corrupt Practices of *Nathaniel Gould* Esquire, hath unduly returned the said Mr. *Gould*, in Wrong to the Petitioner, and the said Inhabitants: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Andover  
Election.

A Petition of Sir *John Cope* Knight, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Andover*, in the County of *Southampton*, *John Smith* Esquire, the Petitioner, and *Francis Shepherd* Esquire, stood Candidates; and Mr. *Smith*, and the Petitioner, had the Majority of the Burgesses, Freeholders, and other Inhabitants, of the said Borough, who have an undoubted Right to vote, and ought to have been returned: But *Gabriel Goldney*, the Bailiff of the said Borough, perceiving the Petitioner had a Majority from Mr. *Shepherd* of the Freeholders and Inhabitants, declared the Right of Election was in the Bailiff and Burgesses only; and that Mr. *Sheppard* had the Majority of such; and hath returned him, with Mr. *Smith*, in Prejudice of the Petitioner: That several of the Burgesses were disfranchised, without any Cause shewn; and thereby, and by many other illegal and undue Practices, Mr. *Shepherd* obtained a Majority of such select Number: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration, and to relieve the Petitioner therein, as the House shall think meet.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Mitchell  
Election.

A Petition of the Honourable *Philip Bertie* and *Francis Painter* Esquires, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Cornwall*, the Petitioners, Sir *Richard Vivian*, and *Wm. Courtney*, stood Candidates; and the Majority of the qualified Voters were for the Petitioners: That Sir *Richard Vivian* being Portreeve of the said Borough, was not capable of standing a Candidate there; but he made *Frederick Vincent* his Deputy; who refused to poll several Persons that had a Right; and hath returned Sir *Richard Vivian* and Mr. *Courtney*, in Wrong to the Petitioners: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

St. Ives  
Election.

A Petition of *John Pitt* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *St. Ives*, in the County of *Cornwall*, Sir *John Hawles*, *James Praed* Esquire, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates; and above Two hundred of the Inhabitants not receiving Alms, in whom the Right of Election hath been Time out of Mind, appeared for the Petitioner and Mr. *Praed*, and demanded of *John Hicks* the Mayor to poll for them: But he, contrary to the Determinations of the House of Commons in 1660, and 1661, of which he was acquainted, refused them; declaring the Right of Election was, by the late King *James* the Second's Charter, in the Mayor, capital Burgesses, and Assistants, only, who are not above Sixteen Persons; and thereupon the said *Hicks* hath returned Sir *John Hawles* as duly elected, in Prejudice of the Petitioner, and in Violation of the Rights of the said Borough: And praying, That the House will take the Premises into Consideration, and do Justice therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections:

And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *John Henley* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner stood a Candidate at the Election of Members to serve in this Parliament for the Borough of *Milburn Port*, in the County of *Somerset*; for which Place Sir *Tho. Travell* was, and is, One of the capital Bailiffs, to whom the Precept for electing Members was, and ought to be directed; who, to give Colour, that himself might be elected, pretended to swear, and admit *Guy White*, and *Snook*, as his Deputy Bailiffs; though the sole Power of the said Office remained in Sir *Tho. Travell*: That a great Number of qualified Persons voted for the Petitioner; but Sir *Tho. Travell* procured his Deputies to return himself, though incapable of being elected, by reason of his said Office, as advised: And praying Relief therein.

Milburn Port  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday Morning* next, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 5<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;*

13<sup>o</sup> *Willielmi Tertii.*

A PETITION of *Thomas Viner* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was elected a Burgess to serve in the Two last Parliaments for the Borough of *Great Grimsby*, in the County of *Lincoln*; and, being invited by the Mayor, and others, he stood a Candidate at the Election there for this Parliament; but, by Expences, Bribery, and other illegal Practices, of *Arthur Moor* Esquire, a Committeeman of the old *East India* Company, and *William Coatsworth* Esquire, a Member of the new, they procured to themselves, by a joint Interest, a Majority of Votes, and are returned; to the manifest Injury of the Petitioner; and the endangering the Constitution of *England*, by exposing to Sale, in like manner, many of the Boroughs of this Kingdom to publick Companies, and joint Stocks: And praying, That the House will take the Premises into Consideration, and appoint a short Day for hearing the Matter of the said Election.

Great  
Grimsby  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Henry Ireton* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner stood Candidate to serve as a Burgess in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Cirencester*, in the County of *Gloucester*; and a Majority of rightful Voters did declare for the Petitioner; but, by Treating, and other illegal Practices of *Wm. Master* and *Cha. Cox* Esquires, who also stood Candidates, or their Agents, and the Delay of the Bailiff of *Cirencester* in the Execution of the Precept, the said Mr. *Master* and Mr. *Cox* obtained a Return; although a Majority of rightful Voters declared for the Petitioner: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Cirencester  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had been pleased to appoint to be attended by this House, this Afternoon at Four of the Clock, at *Kensington*.

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points to be  
attended.

A Petition of the Merchants trading to the *English* Plantations in *America*, was presented to the House, and read; setting

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Servants to  
Plantations.

setting forth, That many Abuses have been practised by Societies of ill Men, who, by Delusions and fair Promises, betray many of his Majesty's Subjects to go as Servants to the Plantations, that are not qualified to go as such; and others offer themselves to go thither, with Design to embroil, and get Money out of, the Persons concerned; whereby great Trouble and Charge often happens to Merchants, and Commanders of Ships: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to prevent all evil Practices, in sending Persons to the *English* Plantations.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Sir Robert Clayton, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Yates, Mr. Johnson, Sir Hen. Peachy, Lord Ranelagh, Lord Chiene, Sir Hen. Colt, Mr. Burridge, Lord Dysert, Sir Wm. Phippard, Mr. St. Loo, Mr. Dormer, Mr. Owen, Mr. Lowther, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Stonehouse, Mr. Wyld, Sir Hen. Pickering, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Colchester, Sir John Phillips, Mr. Woodroffe; and all that are Merchants of the House, or that serve for Sea-port Towns: And they are to meet To-morrow in the Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Maidstone  
Election.

A Petition of *Thomas Colepepper* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for *Maidstone*, in the County of *Kent*, Sir Rob. Marsham, *Thomas Blisse* Esquire, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates; and, upon casting up the Poll, Sir Rob. Marsham had 506 Votes, Mr. Blisse 339, and the Petitioner 337; but Mr. Blisse, and his Friends and Agents, did, after the Teste of the Writ, several times treat and bribe the Electors, and, in a tumultuous Manner, with Trumpets and Horsemen, rode about the Town, and broke open the Doors and Windows of some, and threatened and attempted to fire the Houses of others, of the Electors, who had declared in favour of the Petitioner; whereby they were terrified from voting for him; and divers that voted for Mr. Blisse, received Alms, or lived in Alms-houses, and were unqualified to vote; so that the Petitioner had the Majority of legal Votes, and ought to have been returned, instead of Mr. Blisse: And praying that the House will make such Order in the Matter, as, upon hearing the Merits of the Election, shall be just.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Matter of the said Petition be heard at the Bar of the House;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Mr. Freeman,	} 120.
	{ Mr. Foley:	

Tellers for the Noes,	{ Sir Cha. Hotham,	} 134.
	{ Mr. Hen. Pelham:	

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do hear the Matter of the said Petition, upon To-morrow Fortnight.

Lestwithiell  
Election.

A Petition of *Warwick Hawkey* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Lestwithiell*, in the County of *Cornwall*, and ought to have been returned with *Geo. Booth* Esquire; but the Mayor, upon pretence that Sir John Molesworth had an Equality with the Petitioner, hath returned Sir John Molesworth, in Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying, That the House will appoint a short Day for hearing the Merits of the said Election.

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*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Thomas Havers* Esquire, One of the Sheriffs of the City of *Norwich*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Citizens to serve in this Parliament, a great Majority upon the Poll fell on *Edward Clark* Esquire, and *Rob. Davy* Esquire, had but one Vote more than *Peter Thacker* Esquire; which happened by *Matthew Nall* Esquire the other Sheriff's polling, contrary to Agreement; and by others, who had no Right to poll, and were excepted against; but Mr. Nall would not allow any to be struck out; whereupon a Scrutiny was demanded, the Books sealed up by Mr. Nall, the Petitioner and Mr. Thacker, and Persons appointed on either Side, to examine them: That Nall, without the Consent of the Petitioner, or Mr. Thacker, broke open the Books; and, the next Day, the Scrutineers met, and Mr. Davy's would not proceed on the Scrutiny; but desired Mr. Nall to declare Mr. Clark and Mr. Davy duly elected; which he did, and sealed an Indenture, and annexed it to the Writ for Election, and put the Petitioner's Name to the Indenture, without his Consent: Against which Proceedings the Petitioner, Mr. Thacker and others protested; and then they examined the Poll Books; by which it appeared to the Petitioner, That Mr. Thacker had the legal Majority of Mr. Davy; and the Petitioner declared him and Mr. Clark duly elected; and sealed an Indenture for that Purpose, which he soon after tendered to Mr. Nall, to sign and seal, and annex to the Writ; which he refused to do; but privately sent the Writ, with his own Return only, to the Crown Office; which came there the Day before the Petitioner could get thither: That the Petitioner tendered his said Indenture to the Clerk of the Crown; telling him, That the Writ was not, nor could be, duly returned, without his Concurrence; and desired to annex his said Indenture to the Writ, and left it with him; yet he hath certified only the Names of *Edward Clark* and *Robert Davy* to be returned, to the manifest Injury of the Petitioner, Mr. Thacker, and others, concerned in the Right of Election: And praying, That the Matter may be examined, and the Petitioner relieved therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the House do appoint a Day for the Committee of Privileges and Elections to hear the Matter of the said Petition;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Colonel Trenchard,	} 187.
	{ Sir Hen. Dutton Colt:	

Tellers for the Noes,	{ Mr. Bromley,	} 176.
	{ Mr. Bridges:	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Matter of the said Petition be heard before the said Committee, upon this Day Three Weeks.

A Petition of *Peter Thacker* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Norwich*, and ought to have been returned with *Edward Clark*, Esquire; but *Matthew Nall* Esquire, One of the Sheriffs of the said City, hath returned *Robert Davy* Esquire, and annexed an Indenture to the Writ of Election: Against which Proceedings Mr. Havers, the other Sheriff protested, and signed another Indenture of Return for the Petitioner; but Nall refused to execute it, or annex it to the Writ; and sent the Writ, with his Return only, to the Clerk of the Crown; and Mr. Havers went to *London*, on purpose to set the Matter right in the Crown Office;

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Office;



Office: But the Clerk of the Crown at first did refuse to accept of Mr. *Havers*' Indenture; and though he did afterwards receive it, yet he would not let *Havers* annex it to the Writ; nor has he taken Notice of it in his Certificate to the Clerk of this House, to the manifest Injury of the Petitioner, and the Citizens of *Norwich*, who now have no Representative duly returned to this Parliament: And praying, That the House will take the Matter into Consideration, and relieve the Petitioner therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House: And that they do hear the same upon this Day Three Weeks.

Supply. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration his Majesty's most gracious Speech.

And the same was read:

And a Motion being made for a Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of that Motion.

Committees. *Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 6<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;*

Anno 13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

Lime-Regis Election.

A PETITION of *Richard Hallett* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Lime-Regis*, in the County of *Dorset*, *John Burridge*, *Joseph Paice*, Esquires, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates; and that the Right of Election is in the Mayor, Capital Burgesses, Freemen, and Freeholders, inhabiting within the said Borough: That, a few Days before the Election, *Nath. Gundry* Esquire, the Mayor of the said Borough, declared he would admit the Freeholders to vote; but finding several to come intending to vote for the Petitioner, he refused to let them vote, and declared *Mr. Burridge* and *Mr. Paice* duly elected; although the Petitioner would have had a Majority of legal Electors, from *Mr. Paice*, if the Mayor would have suffered them to poll; and he ought to have returned the Petitioner instead of *Mr. Paice*: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Rochester Election.

A Petition of *William Cage* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Members to serve in this Parliament for the City of *Rochester*, the Petitioner, *Francis Barwell* Esquire, and Captain *Bockenham*, stood Candidates; whereat Captain *Bockenham*, by Treating, Threatening, and Promises, obtained several, and deterred many from voting for the Petitioner; by which illegal Practices, *James Hales* Esquire was prevailed upon to return Captain *Bockenham*, in Prejudice to the Petitioner: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Corf-Castle Election.

A Petition of divers Electors of the Borough of *Corf-Castle*, in the County of *Dorset*, on behalf of themselves, and others, Electors of the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, contrary to the Act of Parliament for regulating Elections, the Mayor

of the said Borough gave Notice, on *Wednesday* the Nineteenth of November last, to proceed to the Election of Members to serve in this Parliament, on *Saturday* the 22d following; and did accordingly proceed to the Election; and hath returned *Richard Founds* and *John Banks* Esquires; whereby the Petitioners are defeated of choosing their due Representatives, . . . if due Notice had been given pursuant to the Directions of the said Act: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Richard Cockman*, and others, Inhabitants of the Borough of *Aylesbury*, in the County of *Bucks*, in behalf of themselves and other Householdors in the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough, the Majority of legal Voters appeared, and would have polled for *Simon Mayne* Esquire; but the Constables of the said Borough refused to poll them; and hath returned *James Herbert* Esquire, as One of their Representatives, in Wrong to *Mr. Maine*, and the Electors of the said Borough: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for taking the Accounts of the Kingdom: And that a Committee be appointed to prepare, and bring in, the same:

And it is referred to Sir *Chr. Musgrove*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Sir *Roe. Gwyn*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Mr. *Comins*, Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Mr. *King*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Wollaston*, Mr. *Paice*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Harpur*, Mr. *Marks*, Mr. *Joliffe*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Shrimpton*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Foley*, Colonel *Granville*, Sir *John Bland*, Mr. *Winnington*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Colonel *Colchester*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Coke*, Mr. *Harvey*; or any Three of them.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had been pleased to command him to lay the Copies of several Treaties before the House: And he presented the same to the House accordingly; and the Titles thereof were read; which are as follow; viz.

A Copy of the Treaty between the King of *Denmark* and the States General, the 15th of June, 1701:

A Copy of the secret Articles of the Treaty with *Denmark*, the 15th of June 1701:

A Copy of the Treaty between the Emperor, his Majesty, and the States General, the 7th of September 1701:

A Copy of a Convention between the King, the King of *Sweden*, and the States General <sup>26 Sept.</sup> <sub>Oct.</sub> 1701:

A Copy of the Treaty between the King and the States General, the 11th of November 1701:

And Translations of the same.

Which Copies and Translations are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That the said Copies do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he, with the House, did Yesterday present their humble Address to his Majesty; and that his Majesty was pleased thereupon, to give a gracious Answer, as followeth;

Gentlemen,

I give you my hearty Thanks for this Address; which I look upon as a good Omen for this Session: The Unanimity with which it passed, adds greatly to the Satisfaction I receive

Aylesbury Election.

Public Accounts.

Treaties with Denmark, Holland, the Emperor, &c.

Answer to Address.



I receive from it. So good a Step, at your First Entrance upon Business, cannot but raise the Hopes of all who wish well to *England*, and to the Common Cause. I can desire no more of you than to proceed as you have begun; and I depend upon it: For, when I consider how chearfully and universally you concurred in this Address, I cannot doubt but every one of you will sincerely endeavour to make it effectual in all the Parts of it.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Motion Yesterday for a Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House being informed, That there was a Difference in the Committee, who should take the Chair of the Committee of the whole House;

And it being moved, That Mr. *Conyers* might take the Chair of the said Committee;

*Resolved*, That Mr. *Conyers* do take the Chair of the said Committee.

And then the House resolved itself again into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*: And that Mr. *Hoblyn*, Mr. *Dormer*, and Mr. *Byrch*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Poor.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to prepare, and bring in, a Bill, or Bills, for the better providing for, and employing, the Poor of this Kingdom:

And it is referred to Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. Solicitor General, Sir *Jos. Jehill*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Loundes*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Rob. Clayton*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Offley*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Sir *Tho. Abney*, Mr. *Colchester*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Lowther*, Colonel *Byerly*, Sir *Fra. Molyneux*, Sir *Robert Jenkinson*, Mr. *Boyle*, Mr. *Coke*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Moore*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Neville*, Mr. *Harpur*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Mr. *Topham*, Mr. *Masters*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Sir *Tho. Cook*, Sir *Fra. Blake*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Curson*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Gee*, Sir *Rush. Cullen*, Lord *Wm. Powlet*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Palmes*, Mr. *Yard*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Ward*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Mr. *Proby*, Sir *Fra. Windham*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Mr. *Blagrove*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Drake*, Colonel *Roll*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Wm. York*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Yates*, Serjeant *Whitaker*, Sir *Fra. Child*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe; and all that are Merchants: And they are to meet To-morrow in the Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber; and to sit *de die in diem*.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do consider of all the Laws in Being, relating to the Poor; and reduce the same into One Law.

Commissioners of Prizes.

The House being acquainted, That Mr. *Parkhurst* and Mr. *Paschall*, the Commissioners of Prizes, had perfected their Accounts of Prizes, according to the Scheme given them by the late Commissioners of Accounts, unless it be in some few Particulars; touching which, they would give their Reasons why they could not do the same: And

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that they desired to lay their Accounts before the House, or otherwise to dispose them as the House shall think fit;

*Ordered*, That the Accounts of the Commissioners of Prizes be laid before this House.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for reviving the Act, made in the Eleventh and Twelfth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also, an Account of the Prizes during the late War; and for making out Certificates for Debentures, touching the *Irish* Forfeitures: And that Mr. *Harcourt*, and Mr. *Farrer* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Commissioners of Accounts.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii 7° die Januarii;*

Anno 13° Willielmi Tertii.

## PRAYERS.

A PETITION of divers Inhabitants of the Borough of *Hertford*, in behalf of themselves, and several other Inhabitants of the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Borough hath, Time out of Mind, sent Burgesses to Parliament, by Right of Prescription, long before any Charter was granted; and that, by all their Charters, the Mayor and Aldermen are only impowered to make as many, as they shall think fitting, of the Inhabitants of the said Borough or Parishes thereof, Burgesses or Freemen, and not above Three, in Being at a time, of the Inhabitants of the Parishes: Yet the Mayor and Aldermen, a little before the Parliament, holden 1° *Jac. 2di*, did arbitrarily make great Numbers of Persons, who were neither Inhabitants of the said Borough, or Parishes, Freemen, or free Burgesses; who being admitted to poll at that Election, and for the Parliament held 1° *Willielmi & Mariæ*, several of the now Petitioners petitioned the then House of Commons; complaining of the said Practices: Upon which, the then Mayor and Aldermen promising to forbear the like Practices for the future, if the Petitioners would . . . prosecute the said Petition, they desisted: But the late Mayor, and Majority of Aldermen, have made more such Freemen; and the now Mayor, at the last Election of Members for this present Parliament, did admit as many of such pretended Burgesses to poll, as offered themselves; by means whereof, though a greater Number of rightful Electors voted for *William Munson* Esquire, yet the Mayor hath unduly returned *Richard Gulston* Esquire: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Hertford Election.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of several of the Freemen of the City of *Coventry*, on behalf of themselves, and the major Part of the Freemen of the said City, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Freemen of the said City only have a Right to choose Members to Parliament; many of which, . . . denied and hindered from polling, at the last Election, for *Edward Hopkins* and *Henry Neal*, Esquires; and great Numbers, that were not Freemen, were admitted to poll for Sir *Chr. Hales* and Mr. *Gery*; and divers Mistakes were made in taking the Poll, which was occasioned by the Violence and unlawful Practices of Sir *Chr. Hales* and Mr. *Gery's* Party: Notwithstanding which, Mr. *Hopkins* and Mr. *Neale* were duly chosen, and ought to have been returned; but the Sheriffs of the said City have made a double Return of Mr. *Neal* and Sir *Chr. Hales*, with Mr. *Hopkins*: And praying, That a short Day may be appointed for hearing the Matters aforesaid;

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aforesaid; and that the Petitioners may be relieved therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Northumberland  
Election.

A Petition of *Bartram Stote* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Members to serve in this Parliament for the County of *Northumberland*, Sir *Francis Blake*, the Petitioner, and *William Lorrain* Esquire, stood Candidates; and the Petitioner was duly elected, and ought to have been returned, One of the Knights of the Shire for the said County; but many unqualified Persons were permitted to poll against the Petitioner; and, by the illegal Practices of Mr. *Lorraine* and his Agents, and also by the High Sheriff, Mr. *Lorraine* is unduly returned, in Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Coventry  
Election.

A Petition of *Henry Neale* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was, together with *Edward Hopkins* Esquire, duly elected to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Coventry*, by a great Majority of the Freemen, who are the only Electors there; though he was opposed by Sir *Chr. Hales* and *Thomas Gery* Esquire, and their Party; who used many violent and illegal Practices; yet Mr. *Abraham Owen* and Mr. *John Collins*, the Sheriffs of the said City, have made a double Return of the Petitioner and Sir *Chr. Hales*, with Mr. *Hopkins*, in Wrong to the Petitioner: And praying, That the House will appoint a speedy Day for hearing the Petitioner's Case.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Commissioners of  
Prizes.

The House being informed, That the Commissioners of Prizes attended;

They were called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House their Accounts:

And then they withdrew.

And the Titles of the said Accounts were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

Schemes, N<sup>o</sup> 1. 2. 3.

An Account of the Disposal of the Money raised from the Sales of Prize Ships, in the Scheme Book, N<sup>o</sup> 2.

An Account of the Disposal of the Money raised from the Sale of Prize Goods, in the Scheme Book, N<sup>o</sup> 3.

N<sup>o</sup> 4.

Amendments to the Two Books of the Prizes delivered to the Parliament, N<sup>o</sup> 2. and 3.; with an intire Account of all the Effects which have come under the Cognizance of the Prize Office.

Abstracts of the Prize Accounts.

An Account how those Ships have been disposed of, which are not inserted in the Prize Accounts, and yet were condemned in the Admiralty Court.

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of the Motion made upon *Monday* last, for a Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the House doth

agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Supply be granted to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That whosoever shall advance, or lend into his Majesty's Exchequer, the Sum of Six hundred thousand Pounds, for the Service of the Fleet, shall be repaid the same, with Interest at Six Pounds per Centum per Annum, out of the First Aids to be granted this Session.

*Resolved*, That whosoever shall advance, or lend into his Majesty's Exchequer, the further Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds, for the Subsistence of Guards and Garisons, shall be repaid the same, with Interest at Six Pounds per Centum per Annum, out of the First Aids to be granted this Session.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning, next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England* do lay before this House a State of the Fleet, and Condition of each respective Ship, and Place where they are. State of the Fleet.

*Ordered*, That the said Commissioners do lay before this House a State of the Debt of the Navy, in all the respective Offices. Naval Debt.

*Ordered*, That the said Commissioners do lay before this House an Estimate of what is necessary for the extra Repairs of the Navy. Navy Repairs.

*Ordered*, That an Account of the Debts of the Nation, unprovided for, both Principal and Interest, be laid before this House. Public Debts.

*Ordered*, That Two of the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland* do attend this House: And that Mr. Speaker do write to the Trustees accordingly. Irish Forfeitures.

And the Letter is as followeth; *viz.*

Gentlemen,

THE House of Commons have ordered Two of your Number to attend them with all convenient Speed; and that they lay before the House several Particulars, which you will find expressed in their several Orders; which I have sent you herewith inclosed. This is all I have in Command from the House to acquaint you with. I desire you will please to let me hear of your receiving this Letter. I am,

Gentlemen,

House of Commons,  
7 January 1701.

Your most humble Servant,  
*Ro. Harley*, Speaker.

For the Honourable the Trustees for the forfeited Estates, in *Dublin*.

*Ordered*, That the said Trustees do lay before this House a Copy of the Rent Roll of all the forfeited Estates, vested in them.

*Ordered*, That the said Trustees do also lay before this House a particular Account of the Value of all the Claims allowed by the Trustees.

*Ordered*, That the said Trustees do also lay before this House a particular Account of the Value of all Claims, which are entered, and not yet determined.

*Ordered*, That the said Trustees do also lay before this House an Account of all Monies which have been received by their Order; distinguishing what is of personal Estate, and what was for Rents.

*Ordered*, That the said Trustees do also lay before this House a particular Account of the Monies which have been received by their Order, and what remains unreceived; distinguishing what is for Arrears of Rent in the Hands of Tenants.

*Ordered*, That the said Trustees do also lay before this House an Account of the Charge, ordinary and extraordinary, of the Execution of the Act of Parliament by the said Trustees.

*Ordered*, That the said Trustees do also lay before this House a Table of the Fees which they have allowed their Officers to take.

And

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Jovis, 8° die Januarii;

Anno 13° Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Woollen  
Manufac-  
tures.

A PETITION of the Serge and Worsted Weavers, and other Woollen-weavers, living in or near the Town of *Taunton*, in the County of *Somerset*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Making of the said Manufactures is the chief Trade of the said Town, and Places adjacent; employing many Thousand Persons; which Trade, of late Years, has suffered very much by Persons taking up the same, who never served Apprenticeships thereto, and made slight Commodities, and then are forced to sell them at an Under-rate, to the Disparagement of the said Manufactures, and the Impoverishing of those who have served their Times to the Trade: And praying, That the House will take some Measures for the Support of the Weaving Trade, as may prevent the like Inconveniences.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture; and consider of the best Methods for regulating and improving the same:

And it is referred to Mr. Clark, Mr. Hysham, Mr. Harley, Mr. Ash, Sir Edw. Seymour, Mr. Crow, Mr. Carter, Mr. Pitfield, Sir Walter Yonge, Sir John Bland, Mr. Mitford, Mr. Bold, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Stonehouse, Lord Irwyn, Mr. Chaundler, Lord Sherrard, Mr. Gee, Mr. Woollaston, Sir Rich. Onslow, Mr. Stringer, Mr. Newton, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Onslow, Mr. Gauntlet, Colonel Lee, Sir Edm. Bacon, Mr. Foley, Mr. Yates, Mr. Blake, Mr. Nicholas, Mr. Colchester, Mr. Burrard, Sir Phil. Boteler, Sir Wm. Ashurst, Sir Fra. Blake, Mr. Marks, Sir Hen. Dutton Colt; and all for the Counties of *Somerset*, *Devon*, *Cornwall*, *Dorset*, *Wilts*, *Worcester*, *York*, *Southampton*, *Gloucester*, *Kent*, *Essex*, and *Suffolk*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber: And are to sit *de die in diem*.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Bramber  
Election.

A Petition of *John Asgill* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bramber*, in the County of *Sussex*; but *John Jupp*, the Constable, hath unduly returned *Thomas Owen* Esquire, in Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Expiring  
Laws.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to consider of the Laws expiring; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *John Bolles*, Sir *Philip Boteler*, Mr. Gorge, Mr. Burnaby, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. Brewer, Mr. Thompson, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. Colchester, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Paice, Mr. Offley, Mr. Lowther, Mr. Price, Mr. Barrell, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Stonehouse, Sir *Jo. Mordant*, Mr. Pierpoint, Colonel *Lee*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. Hayes, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. Coatsworth, Mr. Hysham, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Birch, Mr. King, Mr. Foley, Mr. Haroey, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Marks, Mr. Rowney; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

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Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Ease of Sheriffs in the Execution of their Offices, and passing their Accounts: And that Sir *John Bolles* and Mr. *Hoblyn* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 9° die Januarii;

Anno 13° Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Halsey* and Mr. *Freeman* be added to the Committee appointed to prepare, and bring in, a Bill, or Bills, for the better providing for, and employing, the Poor of this Kingdom.

Ordered, That no private Business be received after Ten a Clock. Private Business.

A Petition of Sir *Charles Hedges* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Calne*, in the County of *Wilts*, by the legal and unbiassed Voters; yet it is pretended, that *Edward Baynton* Esquire had an equality of Voices with the Petitioner; which was obtained by undue Practices: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Ordered, That the Merits of the Election for the said Borough of *Calne*, upon the said Petition, be heard by the said Committee, with the Matter of the double Return for the said Borough.

Resolved, *Nemine contradicente*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for a further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors: And that Sir *Cha. Hedges* and Mr. *St. John* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill. Security of King's Person and Succession.

Ordered, That the Consideration of his Majesty's most gracious Speech be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of the Supply granted to his Majesty. King's Speech referred.

The Translation of the Treaty between the King, the King of *Denmark*, and the States General; and the Translation of the secret Articles of the Treaty with *Denmark*; were read; and are as follow; viz. Treaty between Denmark and Holland.

The Translation of the Treaty between the King, the King of *Denmark*, and the States General, 15 June 1701.

BE it known unto All whom it may concern, That, since the Affairs of *Europe* are changed by the Death of the Catholick King, his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and their High Mightinesses the States General of the *United Provinces* of the *Low Countries*, on one Side, and his Majesty the King of *Denmark*, on the other, have maturely considered, That it would be of great Advantage for the Security of their Kingdoms and Provinces, That their ancient Friendship and Confidence should be established anew, so that there may be a perfect Union of Interest and Conveniency, and a confident Communication between them, in relation to all the Affairs that may happen in *Europe*; and that they may faithfully and mutually assist one another; and that, to that Purpose, a defensive Alliance should be agreed upon: And his Majesty the King of *Denmark* being informed,

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That his Majesty, the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, had sent Orders to their Ministers, at his Court, to enter into Conference with the Ministers his Majesty shall please to name, to frame such a defensive Alliance, has, in like manner, given Order to his Ministers; that is to say, to the *Sieur Conrad Count of Raventloo*, Lord of *Frisenwalt*, *Loystrup*, *Calloe*, and *Clausholm*, Knight, Privy Counsellor, and High Chancellor to the King of *Denmark*; the *Sieur Siegfried*, of *Plessen*, Lord of *Parin* and *Hoickendorff*, Knight, Privy Counsellor to his Majesty the King of *Denmark*; the *Sieur Knudt Thott*, Lord of *Knudstrup* and *Gaunoe*, Knight, Privy Counsellor, and one of the Commissioners of the Treasury to his Majesty the King of *Denmark*; the *Sieur Christian de Lente*, Lord of *Sarshausen*, Knight, Privy Counsellor, and First Secretary at War, to his Majesty the King of *Denmark*; and the *Sieur Christian de Shested*, First Secretary, and Counsellor of State, to his Majesty the King of *Denmark*; to enter into a Negotiation thereupon with *Hugh Grey Esquire*, Resident of his Majesty the King of *Great Britain* at the King of *Denmark's* Court; and the *Sieur Robert Goes*, Lord *Bouckherstburg*, their High and Mightinesses Resident at the King of *Denmark's* Court; who, after divers Conferences, and after the Communication and Exchange of their full Powers, have agreed upon the Articles following:

1st.

The defensive Alliance made between his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the Lords the States General of the *United Provinces*, on one Side, and his Majesty the King of *Denmark*, on the other Side; the Third of November One thousand Six hundred Ninety, and the Third of December One thousand Six hundred Ninety-six, shall remain in their full Force, and are confirmed and renewed in all their Points and Clauses, unless what shall be changed by this present Treaty.

2.

His Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, promise to pay, without any Abatement, Default, or Delay, the Sums stipulated by the abovesaid Alliance of the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-six, in good Money of *Holland*, at *Amsterdam*; one Half thereof as soon as the Troops mentioned in the Tenth Article of this Treaty shall begin to march towards the Frontiers of the States General; and the other Half Six Months after; an exact Liquidation of which Sums shall be inserted at the End of this Treaty.

3.

And whereas it is of great Importance for the Merchants, that the Sea should be free and safe, his Majesty the King of *Denmark* promises to his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and to the States General, That, for the Security of Commerce, in case a War happens, he will shut all the Ports and Harbours of his Dominions against Privateers, and Men of War, unless such Men of War come as Convoys to a Fleet of Merchant Ships; in which Case they shall have free Entrance into his Majesty's Ports and Havens, but not when they shall convoy particular and separate Vessels: And a Merchant Fleet shall not be reputed such, unless when it is composed of Forty Ships, or more; and it shall be sufficient, if it was of that Number when it passed the Height of the Port of *Jutland*: Nor is it necessary, that it should be so numerous when the Men of War shall come unto his Majesty's Ports; because the Merchant Ships, being arrived at the Height, steer towards the *Sound*, or disperse themselves into several Ports of *Norway*: For the rest, Relation is to be had to the Fourth secret Article of the Treaty of the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-six.

4.

His Majesty the King of *Denmark* shall not longer oppose the Ninth Electorate; but he promises to conform himself to the Contents of the Third Article of the Treaty of 1696, and Seventh secret Article of the same Treaty.

5.

His Majesty the King of *Denmark* shall not engage himself, nor enter into any Treaty, whereby the Peace of

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the North may be disturbed; or whereby a Third Party may be formed, either in the North, or in *Germany*; nor shall foment such Disturbances, upon the Pretence of being thereto engaged by former Treaties; but, on the contrary, his Majesty shall endeavour to prevent the Making of any such Treaties, pursuant to the Fourth Article of the aforesaid Alliance.

6.

His Majesty the King of *Denmark* does expressly stipulate Liberty of Commerce for his Subjects, in case a War happens, or Troubles arise; but, not being willing to suffer Strangers to commit Frauds, by making use of *Danish* Passports, it is agreed, That, immediately after the Signing of this Treaty, the Convention which was made in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-one, between his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, on one Part; and his Majesty the King of *Denmark*, on the other: on the Subject of trading to *France*; shall be examined, to the end that the said Convention may be altered as far as shall be necessary for the better Preventing of Frauds; And, till such an Alteration shall be agreed, by common Consent, the said Convention shall be re-established in its first Force, and shall serve for a Law and Rule of the said Commerce.

7.

His Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, promise to pay to his Majesty the King of *Denmark* a Subsidy of Three hundred thousand Crowns a Year, all the time the War, or the Troubles, shall continue; to be reckoned from the Signing of this present Treaty; and the Payment shall be made in good Bank Money at *Hamburgh*, One Quarter of the Sum stipulated, every Three Months: And in case a War does not happen, but that the present Dissentions should be composed by an Agreement, and yet that the Forces of his Majesty the King of *Denmark* should be actually on their March towards the Frontiers of the States General, his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, shall pay, in that Case, Three Months of the Subsidy agreed on, besides the Levy-money of the said Troops: And, if an Accommodation should be made after this Treaty is ratified, but before the actual March of the said Troops towards the States Frontiers, his Majesty the King of *Denmark* will be satisfied with a Year's Subsidy, and a Fourth-part of the sum agreed on for the Levies.

8.

His Majesty the King of *Great Britain* does likewise promise, in particular, to pay to his Majesty the King of *Denmark* what is yet due to him by virtue of the Convention of One thousand Six hundred Eighty-nine, as well for the Transporting of Seven thousand Men into *Ireland*, as in relation to what remains still due and payable to the said Troops of their Pay, in case it shall appear, by an Account which shall be stated, that all has not been paid them: And the Discount of the one and of the other shall be made within a Year after the Ratification of this Treaty; and Payment shall thereupon be made, without any Delay, in the City of *Hambourg*.

9.

And, to take away every Stumbling-block, his Majesty the King of *Denmark* is willing to wave all the Pretensions he might have upon the States General, on condition that the States oblige themselves to pay, for his Majesty, the Sums that the Province of *Holland*, and the Town of *Amsterdam*, claim from him; and to return to his Majesty the Obligations which his late Majesty King *Frederick the Third*, of glorious Memory, gave to the said Province, and the said City.

10.

His Majesty the King of *Denmark* promises to order Three thousand Horse, a Thousand Dragoons, and Eight thousand Foot, of the Kingdom of *Denmark*, and Country of *Holstein*, to march to the Assistance of his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, immediately after this Treaty is signed; which Troops shall be mounted and armed as they ought to be, and provided with proper Officers and Generals: The said Troops



Troops shall take an Oath of Fidelity to his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, in the same manner as the Seven thousand Men of the *Danish* Troops did formerly to his Majesty of *Great Britain*, when they entered into his Service: The granting of vacant Offices, and the Administration of Justice, shall be upon the same Foot as was practised in relation to the said Seven thousand Men: His Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, shall pay, for the Levy of the said Troops, Eighty Crowns for every Horseman, Sixty Crowns for each Dragoon, and Thirty Crowns for each Foot Soldier; one Half of the said Money shall be paid as soon as the said Troops are actually marching towards the Frontiers of the States General, and the other Half when they are actually arrived at the said Frontiers: The Pay and Entertainment of the said Troops shall be upon the same Foot as the other Forces of the States General; that is to say, That of the *Danish* Guards, in case his Majesty shall think fit to send a Part of his Guards, as that of the States Generals Guards; and, of the other ordinary *Danish* Regiments, as that of the other ordinary Regiments of the States: The Payments shall be put into the Hands of the *Danish* Commissaries, to be by them distributed, without any Abatement or Diminution; and shall commence from the Day the said Troops shall begin their March towards the Frontiers of the States General: And if it shall be thought convenient to transport by Sea, towards the States Generals Countries, all the Troops that are to come from *Denmark*, or the Country of *Holstein*, or any Part of them, such Transport shall be made at the Charges of his Majesty of *Great Britain*, and the States General; and it shall be lawful, in case of Necessity, to make use of the Ships of his Majesty the King of *Denmark*, or those of his Subjects, to render the said Transport more easy and speedy: His Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, may retain the said Forces in their Service as long as they think fit; and, when they have a mind to send them home, they shall give notice thereof to his Majesty the King of *Denmark* Three Months beforehand: In the mean time, if any Rupture or War shall happen, the said Troops shall, notwithstanding that, continue in the Service of his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, as long as the War shall continue, unless his Majesty the King of *Denmark* shall be attacked in his Kingdoms and Territories, for having supplied them with the said Forces; in which Case his Majesty the King of *Denmark* reserves to himself the Right and Power of recalling them, as soon as he finds it necessary.

11.

In case that, by Misfortune, One or more Regiments or Companies of the said Forces shall happen to be ruined, his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, promise to pay, without any Delay, to the Colonels or Captains of the Regiments . . . Companies, so ruined, the Levy-money necessary to restore them to the same Condition they were in before: And, at the End of the Campaign, the same Recruit Money shall be paid to the *Danish* Officers, as is paid to the other Officers of the States General; that so the said Forces may always be preserved in a good Condition to be sent back some time or other, as complete as they were received.

12.

In like manner the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, promise, That, if his Majesty the King of *Denmark* shall be attacked or troubled in the Possession of his Kingdoms, Provinces, Lands, Prerogatives, Tolls, Navigation, Commerce, or other Rights, they will speedily send back to him the said Forces, giving them One Month's Pay, to bear the Charges of their Return home-wards; which Payment of a Month's Pay shall be made in like manner when, after the Peace, the said Forces shall be sent home: And, besides that, they shall send to his Majesty the King of *Denmark* the Succours, by Sea and Land, agreed on in the secret Articles of the Treaty of the Year 1690; which Succours they shall maintain during the War, at their own proper Charges; his Majesty the

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King of *Denmark* not being obliged to supply the said Forces with any thing but Bread and Forage.

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And, to make this Alliance and Union so much the more perfect; and not to leave any Scruple in the Parties, concerning the Certainty of the Succours they are to expect from one another, in the manner before agreed on; it is expressly covenanted, That, to make a Judgment hereafter, whether this Alliance is to take place, or not, it shall be sufficient, that any of the Parties be actually assaulted by Force of Arms, without his having first used open Force against the Assailant: But this Article shall be applicable only to the Occasions that shall happen hereafter; for the present, Twelve Thousand Men shall march towards the Frontiers of the States General as soon as this Treaty shall be signed, as is mentioned in the Tenth Article.

14.

This Alliance shall continue the Space of Ten Years, to be reckoned from the Day of the Signing of this Treaty; and the Alliances of One thousand Six hundred Ninety, and One thousand Six hundred Ninety-six, being renewed by this Treaty, shall remain in Force for the same Term of Years.

15.

The Emperor shall be invited to enter into this Alliance: And if the King of *Prussia*, the House of *Lunenburg*, and that of *Hesse-Cassel*, shall desire to be comprised in it, the principal Contractors are at Liberty to consent to it, after they have agreed among themselves of the Conditions upon which the said Potentates may be received into it.

16.

The Ratifications of this present Treaty shall be exchanged, at *Copenhagen*, in Six Weeks time, on the Side of his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*; and in Four Weeks, on the Part of the States General; to be reckoned from the Day of the Signing this Treaty.

In Testimony whereof, we have signed this Treaty, and set thereto the Seals of our Arms. Done at *Copenhagen*, the 15th of June, in the Year 1701.

H. Grey. (L. S.)

The Translation of the secret Articles of the Treaty with *Denmark*.

1st.

IN case the Succours which his Majesty the King of *Denmark* has promised, in the Tenth Article of the Treaty concluded this Day, to send to his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, should not be sufficient to put them out of Pain and Care, the said Potentates shall give notice thereof to his Majesty the King of *Denmark*, who promises to keep in Readiness Four thousand Men, to be sent to their Assistance within Three Months after Demand is made, upon the same Conditions which are agreed on in the said Tenth Article of the Treaty concluded this Day; which is referred to, as to what concerns the Levy, the Pay, Recruits, and Entertainment of the said Troops; and, as to the Manner in which they are to be sent home, that shall be observed that is agreed on in . . . Twelfth Article of this Treaty for the other Troops.

His Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, may act with these Four thousand Men, as also with the Twelve thousand Men mentioned in the Tenth Article of this Treaty, in such Place, and against such Enemies, as they shall think fit; and they shall be regularly paid.

2.

If it should happen, that his Majesty the King of *Denmark* should be attacked by any Potentate on Occasion of this defensive Alliance, or otherwise, and that the ordinary Succours stipulated in the secret Articles of the Treaty of One thousand Six hundred Ninety should not be sufficient to procure him a good and advantageous Peace, his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, promise to assist him with all their Forces,

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by Land, and by Sea; as his Majesty the King of *Denmark* will, in the like Case, assist his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, with all his Forces, by Sea and by Land.

3.

His Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, do likewise promise to do, by their good Offices, all that is possible, to the end that his Majesty the King of *Denmark* may lose nothing of the Pretensions he has of Money from the Crown of *Spain*; to the Intent that, by the Treaty of Peace, the Catholick King should be obliged to discharge the said Pretensions within a Time limited: And, in case a War or Rupture does not happen, they shall endeavour to have the Payment conditioned in any Treaty that they shall make with *France* or *Spain*.

4.

Moreover, his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, promise to employ their good Offices with Care and Diligence, to the end that the Emperor may pay to his Majesty the King of *Denmark* a Million of Crowns, which are owing to him by the Emperor, and the Empire; or else, that his Majesty may have Satisfaction for that Debt in some sufficient Manner, either by a Grant of a Toll upon the *Elbe*, or otherwise: And, when he shall have received the said Satisfaction, he promises to assist the Emperor, in case of Need, with Three thousand Foot Soldiers, on the Condition agreed on in the Sixth Article of the Treaty made between the principal Contractors in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-six.

5.

Furthermore, his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, promise to use their good Offices, with all possible Efficacy, to the end that the Duke of *Holstein Gottorp* may conform himself to the Treaty of *Travendal*, and observe the true and natural Sense of it; and that his Highness may maintain good Friendship and Confidence with his Majesty the King of *Denmark*; to take away all sort of Jealousy, while his Majesty sends so considerable a Number of his Troops out of his own Dominions.

6.

The principal Contractors shall employ their good Offices, that the Peace in the Empire may entirely be preserved.

7.

His Majesty the King of *Denmark* having declared to his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, That he is in Treaty with the Emperor for some Troops that his Imperial Majesty has demanded of his *Danish* Majesty; and that his *Danish* Majesty has not Troops enough to give the Emperor the Number he requires, unless his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, will, by Way of Provision, leave to the Emperor Two thousand Men of the Twelve thousand mentioned in the Tenth Article of this Treaty; his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, have declared, That they are content, that the Emperor should have the Two thousand Men of the Twelve thousand mentioned in the Tenth Article aforesaid: And his Majesty the King of *Denmark* promises to make good to his *Britannick* Majesty, and the States General, the said Two thousand Men in Six Months Time after the Signing of this Treaty.

8.

Although it is said in the Third Article of this Treaty, That a Fleet of Merchant-men shall not be taken for such, unless it shall consist of Forty Merchant Ships, or upwards; the King of *Denmark* does declare, That, as the *English* cannot, in that manner, trade freely, and in Safety, in his Dominions, and in the *Baltick* Sea, his Majesty will permit their Ships of War, at all times, to enter into his Ports, when they come to convoy, inwards or outwards, such a Number of Merchant Ships as they shall think fit.

9.

His Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General promise, That they will, before the Ratification

of this Treaty, agree with his Majesty the King of *Denmark* about such Assurances, for the Security of the Payments, as his Majesty may be satisfied with.

10.

In case Things should come to a War, his Majesty the King of *Denmark* shall not be obliged to enter into it; but shall be reputed to have made good this Alliance, in sending the Succours of Sixteen thousand Men mentioned in the Tenth Article, and First Secret Article; and, for the rest, putting in Execution the Contents of this Treaty.

Done at *Copenhagen* this 15th June 1701.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Treaty be referred to the said Committee of the whole House.

The Translation of the Treaty between the Emperor, his Majesty, and the States General, was read; and is as followeth; viz. Treaty with the Emperor.

WHEREAS *Charles* the Second, King of *Spain*, of most glorious Memory, being not long since dead without Issue, his Sacred Imperial Majesty has claimed the Succession in the Kingdoms and Provinces of the deceased King, as lawfully belonging to his August Family; but the most Christian King, aiming at the same Succession for his Grandson the Duke of *Anjou*, and pretending a Right did accrue to him by a certain Will of the deceased King, has usurped the Possession of the intire Inheritance, or *Spanish* Monarchy, for the aforesaid Duke of *Anjou*; and invaded, by his Arms, the Provinces of the *Spanish Low Countries*, and the Duchy of *Milan*; has a Fleet ready fitted in the Port of *Cadiz*; has sent several Ships of War to the *Spanish West Indies*; and by this, and many other Ways, the Kingdoms of *France* and *Spain* are so closely united and cemented, that they may seem henceforward not to be otherwise considered than as one and the same Kingdom; so that it sufficiently appears, unless timely Care be taken, that his Imperial Majesty will be destitute of all Hopes of ever receiving Satisfaction in his Pretension; the Sacred *Roman* Empire will lose its Rights in the Fiefs belonging to it in *Italy*, and the *Spanish Netherlands*; the free Intercourse of Navigation and Commerce, which the *English* and *Dutch* have into the *Mediterranean*, the *Indies*, and other Places, will be utterly destroyed; and the *United Provinces* will be deprived of the Security which they enjoyed by the Provinces of the *Spanish Netherlands* lying between them and the *French*, which is commonly called a Barrier; lastly, that the *French* and *Spaniards*, being thus united, will, in a short time, become so formidable to all, that they may easily assume to themselves the Dominion over all *Europe*; and therefore, by this Way of Proceeding of the most Christian King, his Imperial Majesty was brought under a Necessity of sending an Army into *Italy*, for the Preservation as well of his own private Interests, as the Fiefs of the Empire; the King of *Great Britain* has thought it requisite to send his Forces to the Assistance of the States General, whose Affairs are in the same Condition as if they were actually invaded; and the said States, whose Frontiers lie, in a manner, exposed on all Sides, by the Breaking, and Taking away, of the Fence, commonly called a Barrier, which screened them from the Neighbourhood of the *French*, are forced to do all those things for the Safety and Defence of their Commonwealth, which they should and could do, if they were in a War: And whereas so dubious a Posture of their Affairs is more dangerous than a War itself; and that *France* and *Spain* take Advantage of this State of their Affairs, to make a stronger and firmer Union between themselves for oppressing the Liberty of *Europe*, and taking away the Freedom of Commerce: These Reasons inducing his Sacred Imperial Majesty, his Sacred Royal Majesty of *Great Britain*, and the High and Mighty the Lords the States General of the *United Provinces*, to obviate so great Evils as might arise from thence; and desiring, as much as lies in their Power, to apply Remedies thereto; have thought a strict Conjunction and Alliance between themselves necessary for repelling

repelling the Greatness of the common Danger : And, to this End, have given Orders and Instructions ; that is to say, His Sacred Imperial Majesty to the most Noble, most Illustrious, and most Excellent Lords, the Lord *Peter* Count of *Goessen*, Count of the Sacred *Roman* Empire, Lord of *Carlsberg*, of the Bedchamber to his Sacred Imperial Majesty, Counsellor of the Imperial Court, and Envoy Extraordinary to the High and Mighty Lords the States General of the *United Provinces* ; and the Lord *John Wenceslau* Count of *Wratisslau*, of *Mitrowitz*, Count of the Sacred *Roman* Empire, Lord of *Ginetz* and *Mallexhitz*, of the Bedchamber to his Sacred Royal Majesty of the *Romans* and *Hungary*, Counsellor and Assessor of the Privy Chancery of the Court of *Bohemia*, and his Sacred Imperial Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary to the most Serene King of *Great Britain* ; his Ambassadors Extraordinary, and Plenipotentiaries ; his Sacred Royal Majesty of *Great Britain*, the most Noble, most Illustrious, and most Excellent Lord, the Lord *John* Earl of *Marlborough*, Baron *Churchill* of *Sandridge*, of his Sacred Royal Majesty's Privy Council, General of the Foot, and Commander in Chief of his said Sacred Royal Majesty's Forces in the *Low Countries*, his Ambassador Extraordinary, Commissary, Procurator, and Plenipotentiary ; and the Lords the States General, the Lords *Dideric Eck de Pantaleon*, Lord of *Gent* and *Ertekum* ; *Frederick* Baron of *Rhede*, Lord of *Lier*, of the District of *St. Antony* and *Ter-Lee*, Commander of *Bury* and of Nobles, and of the Order of Knighthood of *Holland* and *Westfriesland* ; *Antony Heinsius*, Counsellor and Pensionary of the Lords the States of *Holland* and *Westfriesland*, Keeper of the Great Seal, and President of the Fiefs ; *William* of *Nassau*, Lord of *Odijk* *Cortgene*, &c. First Noble and representing the Order of the Nobility, in the Assembly of the Lords the States of *Zealand*, and of their Deputies ; *Everhard de Weede*, Lord of *Weede*, *Dykvelt*, *Ratcles*, &c. Lord of the Soil of the City of *Oude-water*, Dean of the Chapter of *St. Mary's* at *Utrecht*, Prime Counsellor and President of the Assembly of the Province of *Utrecht*, Prefect and Judge of the Banks of the River *Leck* ; *William Van Haren*, Steward of the County of *Bilten* in *Friesland*, Chancellor of the University of *Franequer*, Deputy of the Nobility in the Assembly of the Lords the States of *Friesland* ; *Burchard Goost a Welvelde* in *Buckhorst* and *Molekate*, Lord in *Zallick* and *Vegate*, Lord Lieutenant of the County of *Isselmude* ; and *Wicker Wickers*, Senator of the City of *Groningen*, Deputies respectively of the Lords of the States of *Geldres*, *Holland* and *Westfriesland*, *Zeeland*, *Utrecht*, *Friesland*, *Overyssell*, and *Groningen* and the *Omlands*, to the Assembly of the Lords of the States General of the *United Provinces*, who by virtue of the Powers to them given, have agreed to the following Articles of Alliance :

1.

There shall be and continue between his Sacred Imperial Majesty, his Sacred Royal Majesty of *Great Britain*, and the Lords the States General of the *United Provinces*, a constant, perpetual, and inviolable Friendship and Correspondence ; and either Party shall be obliged to promote the Advantages of the other, and prevent all Inconveniencies and Damages that might happen to them, as far as lies in their Power.

2.

His Sacred Imperial Majesty, his Sacred Royal Majesty of *Great Britain*, and the States General, desiring nothing more earnestly than the Peace and general Quiet of all *Europe*, have judged, that nothing can be more effectual for the Establishment thereof, than the procuring an equitable and reasonable Satisfaction to his Imperial Majesty, for his Pretension to the *Spanish* Succession ; and that the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, may obtain a particular and sufficient Security for their Kingdoms, Provinces, and Dominions, and for the Navigation and Commerce of their Subjects.

3.

The Confederates therefore shall, in the First Place, use their utmost Endeavours to obtain, by amicable Means, and a solid and firm Agreement, an equitable and rea-

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sonable Satisfaction for his Imperial Majesty, on account of the aforesaid Succession ; and the Security before-mentioned to his Royal Majesty of *Great Britain*, and the Lords the States General of the *United Provinces* ; and the Confederates shall, to that Purpose, employ Two Months time, with all Earnestness, and without Interruption, to be reckoned from the Day that the Instruments of Ratification shall be exchanged.

4.

But if, contrary to their Expectations and Wislies, Matters cannot be transacted in the Manner aforesaid, within the Time limited, the Confederates do engage and promise to one another, That they will assist one another with all their Forces, according to a Specification to be agreed upon in a peculiar Convention to that Purpose ; that so they may attain the Satisfaction and Security before-mentioned.

5.

The Confederates, in order to the procuring the Satisfaction and Security aforesaid, shall, amongst other Things, use their utmost Endeavours to recover the Provinces of the *Spanish Low Countries*, that they may be a Fence and Rampart, commonly called a Barrier, separating and distancing *France* from the *United Provinces*, for the Security of the States General, as they have served in all Times, until of late that the most Christian King has seized them by his Forces ; as likewise the Duchy of *Milan*, with its Dependencies, as a Fief of the Empire, and contributing to the Security of his Imperial Majesty's hereditary Countries ; besides the Kingdoms of *Naples* and *Sicily*, and the Lands and Islands upon the Coasts of *Tuscany*, in the *Mediterranean*, that belong to the *Spanish* Dominions, and may serve to the same Purpose, and will also be of Advantage to the Navigation and Commerce of the Subjects of the King of *Great Britain*, and of the *United Provinces*.

6.

It shall be lawful for his Royal Majesty of *Great Britain*, and the Lords the States General, by common Advice, and for the Benefit and Enlargement of the Navigation and Commerce of their Subjects, to seize, by their Forces, what Lands and Cities they can, belonging to the *Spanish* Dominions, in the *Indies* ; and whatsoever they shall so take, shall be their own.

7.

In case the Confederates, Necessity requiring it, shall be forced to enter into a War, for obtaining the Satisfaction aforesaid for his Imperial Majesty, and the Security of his Majesty of *Great Britain*, and the States General, they shall faithfully communicate their Designs to one another, as well in relation to the Actions of the War, as all other Things where the common Cause is concerned.

8.

It shall not be permitted to either Party, when the War is once begun, to treat of Peace with the Enemy, unless jointly, and with the common Advices of the other Parties ; and no Peace shall be made, unless an equitable and reasonable Satisfaction for his Imperial Majesty, and the particular Security of the Kingdoms, Provinces, Dominions, Navigation, and Commerce for his Majesty of *Great Britain*, and the States General, be first obtained ; and unless Care be taken, by fitting Security, that the Kingdoms of *France* and *Spain* shall never come, and be united under the same Government, nor that one and the same Person shall be King of both Kingdoms ; and, particularly, that the *French* shall never get into the Possession of the *Spanish Indies* ; neither shall they be permitted to sail thither, on the Account of Traffick, directly or indirectly, on any Pretence whatsoever ; and lastly, unless full Liberty be granted to the Subjects of the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, to exercise and enjoy all the same Privileges, Rights, Immunities, and Franchises of Commerce, by Sea and Land, in *Spain*, the *Mediterranean*, and in all Lands and Places which the King of *Spain*, last deceased, did possess, at the time of his Death, as well in *Europe* as elsewhere, which they used and enjoyed, or which the Subjects of both or either of them, by any Right acquired by Treaties, Agreements, Customs,

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Customs, or any other Way whatsoever, might have used and enjoyed before the Death of the late King of *Spain*.

9.

At the same time that the said Agreement or Peace shall be made, the Confederates shall agree amongst themselves, about all the Things that they shall think necessary, for maintaining the Navigation and Commerce of the Subjects of his Majesty of *Great Britain*, and the States General, in the Lands and Dominions they may acquire, and that were possessed by the last deceased King of *Spain*; and also in what manner the States General may be secured by the aforesaid Fence or Barrier.

10.

And, because Controversies may arise, on account of Religion, in the Places which the Confederates, as it is hoped, may acquire by their Arms, they shall agree amongst themselves, concerning the Exercise of it, at the same Time, as is mentioned in the foregoing Article.

11.

The Confederates shall be obliged to assist and succour one another with all their Forces, against an Aggressor, if the most Christian King, or any one else, shall think fit to invade any one of the Confederates on the account of this Alliance.

12.

But if any Agreement can now be made, concerning the Satisfaction and Security so often mentioned; or if, after a War entered into by Necessity, Peace shall be again restored; there shall, after such an Agreement, or Peace concluded, be, and always continue, between the contracting Parties, a defensive Alliance for the Maintenance of the said Agreement or Peace.

13.

All Kings, Princes, and States, that please, and who have a Concern for the general Peace, shall be admitted into the Society of this Alliance: But, because it is the peculiar Interest of the Sacred *Roman Empire*, that the publick Quiet should be preserved; and the Recovery of the Fiefs of the Empire being, among other Things, the Subject now in hand; the said Empire shall, in a special manner, be invited into the Society of this Alliance: It shall, moreover, be lawful for the Confederates jointly, or any of them separately, to desire whomsoever they shall think fit, to be an Accessary to this Alliance.

14.

This Treaty shall be ratified, by all the Confederates, within the Space of Six Weeks; or sooner, if it may be done.

In Witness whereof, we, the above-named Plenipotentiaries, have firmed this present Treaty with our Hands and Seals, at the *Hague*, the 7th Day of September 1701.

(L. S.) MARLBOROUGH.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Treaty be referred to the said Committee of the whole House.

The Translation of a Convention between the King, the King of *Sweden*, and the States General, <sup>26 September</sup> <sub>6 October</sub> 1701, was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Convention with Sweden.

HIS Sacred Royal Majesty of *Sweden* being at this time actually engaged in a War; and the Affairs of his Royal Sacred Majesty of *Great Britain*, and the Lords the States General of the *United Provinces*, being in such Circumstances that they hourly expect a War, and are forced to be at the same Charges, and bear the same Burdens, as if they were engaged in a War; have thought it advisable to agree to the following Articles:

1st,

The Treaties which have been formerly concluded between their Royal Majesties aforesaid, and the States General, shall be faithfully executed, and are hereby confirmed.

2.

To this Purpose his Royal Majesty of *Great Britain*, and the States General, shall, without Delay, pay to his Royal Majesty of *Sweden* Two hundred thousand Impe-

rial Dollars; to be accounted as Part of the Succours he may demand of them by virtue of the Treaties between them.

3.

The States General will be responsible for the Sum of Three hundred thousand Crowns, which the King of *Sweden* shall borrow upon good and sufficient Security, according to an Obligation which shall be further settled.

4.

The above-mentioned Kings, and the States General, shall forthwith name and appoint Commissaries, who shall agree in what manner the Confederates may assist one another, in case the War, which the King of *Sweden* is engaged in, should continue; and in case the King of *Great Britain*, and the States General, should be involved in a War; and in what manner they may most strongly unite themselves, as the present Circumstances of Time and Affairs shall require.

5.

In the mean time the Confederates shall not treat and conclude any Thing with any one whatsoever, that may be contrary to the Treaties made between them formerly, or that may be prejudicial to any of the Allies.

6.

This Convention shall be ratified by every one of the Confederates; and the Ratifications shall be exchanged here at the *Hague* within the Space of Six Weeks; or sooner, if it may be.

In Witness whereof the underwritten Ambassadors, and Plenipotentiaries and Deputies, have signed this Convention. Done at the *Hague* the <sup>26 September</sup> <sub>7 October</sub> 1701.

(L. S.) Marlborough.

(L. S.) N. Lilliercot,	(L. S.) Johan Becker,
(L. S.) D. V. Eck V. Pant.	(L. S.) De Weede,
H. V. Gant,	(L. S.) W. Harren,
(L. S.) F. B. de Reede,	(L. S.) B. J. W. Welvelde,
(L. S.) A. Heinsius,	(L. S.) Jo. Wickers.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Treaty be referred to the said Committee of the whole House.

The Translation of the Treaty between the King and the States General, 11th November 1701, was read; and is as followeth; viz. Treaty with Holland.

THE King of *Great Britain*, and the Lords the States General of the *United Provinces* of the *Low Countries*, having made a mature and serious Reflection upon the great Alteration happened in *Europe* by the deplorable Death of the late King of *Spain*, of glorious Memory, have considered, That thereby the most Christian King, having made himself Master of the whole Succession of *Spain*, in favour of his Grandson the Duke of *Anjou*, was, by that Means, grown so formidable, that, according to the unanimous Consent of all the World, *Europe* is in imminent Danger of losing its Liberty, and of suffering the Yoke of an universal Monarchy: And as the said Potentates desire nothing more than to prevent those great Mischiefs, by a Peace that may be secure, general, and of Continuance; and that they believe this cannot be done but by strict Alliances, and a more than ordinary Concurrence of other Princes and Potentates; they have, to that Purpose, thought fit to make a firm and solid Alliance with his Imperial Majesty, and to invite other Princes and States to come into it: But being persuaded that all imaginable Endeavours will not fail to be used to render the said Alliance ineffectual, either before or after a Peace is made; and that, amongst many Methods, none would be more certain than to separate the said King of *Great Britain* from the said States General; or to put either of them out of a Condition to act, either by the Loss of their Commerce, or the Unsafeness of their Condition; to which the Combination of the Kingdoms of *France* and *Spain*, and the seizing upon the *Spanish Low Countries*, would infallibly contribute; they found themselves obliged to unite together as firmly as humanly as possible, and to agree upon the necessary Means of putting themselves in a Posture of having always an Eye to the

the common Liberty of *Europe*, to the Preservation of their Commerce, and of their own particular Safety; and to take from their Neighbours all Hope of being able ever to separate them, or make them useless to the Publick: To which End the said King of *Great Britain* has given his full Powers to *John Earl of Marlborough*, Baron *Churchill* of *Sandridge*, of his Majesty's Privy Council, General of his Foot, Commander in Chief of his Forces in the *Low Countries*, and his Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary; and the said Lords the States General, to the Sieurs *Christian Charles Baron de Lintelo*, Lord of *Ehse*; *Frederick Baron de Reede*, Lord of *Lier*, *St. Antony*, and *Terlee*, of the Order of the Nobility of the Province of *Holland* and *Westfriesland*, Keeper of the Great Seal, and Superintendent of the Fiets of the said Province; *William de Nassau*, Lord of *Odijck*, *Cortgene*, &c. First Nobleman, and representing the Nobility, in the States and Council of *Zeeland*: *Everhard de Weede*, Lord of *Weede*, *Dykevelt*, *Rateles*, &c. Lord of the Manor of the City of *Oudewater*, Dean and Rector of the Imperial Chapter of *St. Mary's* at *Utrecht*, Dykgraaf of the River *Rhine* in the Province of *Utrecht*, and President of the States in the same Province; *William Van Heren*, Grietman of *Bilt*, Deputy from the Nobility in the States of *Friesland*, and Curator of the University of *Franequer*; *Burchard Juste de Welvelde a Burchhorst* and *Molekate*, Lord of *Zallick* and *Vekate*, Drossart of *Isselmuden*, and *Wicker Wickers*, Senator of the City of *Groningen*; respectively deputed to the Assembly of the said Lords the States General, by the Provinces of *Guelderland*, *Holland* and *Westfriesland*, *Zeeland*, *Utrecht*, *Friesland*, *Overryssell*, and *Groningen* and *Omlande*; Deputies and Plenipotentiaries of the said Lords the States General: Who have agreed in manner following;

1.

In the First Place, the defensive and perpetual Alliance made between King *Charles* the Second, of glorious Memory, and the said States General, the Third of March One thousand Six hundred Seventy <sup>seven</sup>/<sub>eight</sub> shall be renewed and confirmed by this Alliance, in all its Forms, as if it were here inserted: and shall hereafter be inviolably executed on both Sides.

2.

And whereas the said High Confederates have mutually promised, in the Third Article of the said Alliance, to warrant, each of them separately, all the Treaties that they had made, to that Time, with other Kings, Princes, and States, and which they might after that make; they shall warrant particularly the Treaties that the said Confederates have made with the most Christian King, at *Ryswick*, the Twentieth September One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven, and which they shall make hereafter by Concert one with another.

3.

And to avoid all sorts of Disputes, where the Alliance takes place, Regard shall always be had more to the essential or material, than the formal Part, for the Preservation and Defence of any of the Parties.

4.

And, consequently, it shall be reputed a Case within this Treaty, not only if any of the Allies shall be attacked; but also if any Neighbour of the Parties does make Preparations to attack or threaten any one of the Allies, either by extraordinary Levy of Troops, Fitting out of Ships of War, or otherwise in any manner whatsoever; provided any one of the said Allies be obliged, out of a just Fear, to put himself into Arms.

5.

And, since particular Care has been taken, in the said Alliance made with the Emperor, for recovering the said *Spanish Low Countries* out of the Hands of the most Christian King; and that, besides that the principal Interest of the Allies consists in the Preservation of the Liberty of *Europe*, as is above-mentioned, the Treaty made by the said Confederates with his Imperial Majesty, the Seventh of September last, shall be truly and faithfully

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executed: And both of them shall be Guarands of the same; and they shall use their Endeavours to confirm it, and to render it stronger, from Time to Time.

6.

And whereas the Security of the said High Allies consists particularly in this, That the said *Spanish Low Countries*, and the nearest to their Estates, should not remain in the Hands of the most Christian King; or that he should be, directly or indirectly, Master of them, as at present he is; they likewise engage themselves, in a special Manner, to assist one another, with all their Forces, for the said Recovery: And, after they are recovered, it shall be always considered as a Case that falls within this Treaty, whenever the most Christian King shall endeavour, directly or indirectly, to lay his Hands upon them, or shall make Preparations to seize upon them, or shall send thither his Forces: And the same Thing shall be done, in case the said most Christian King should attempt to get into his Hands any Lands belonging to the said King of *Great Britain*, or the said States General; or that he should make Preparations to invade them, or to send thither his Forces.

7.

In case the said High Allies fall jointly into a War, either upon Occasion of the defensive Alliance, or by virtue of that which is above-mentioned in the Fifth Article, or for other Reasons and Motives; there shall be between them an Alliance offensive and defensive against those with whom they are in War; and they shall thereto employ all their Forces, as well by Sea as by Land; and shall act jointly or separately, according to the Agreement that they shall make among themselves.

8.

And, that all Things may be directed to the End proposed, the same High Confederates shall make a Specification of the Forces by Sea, and by Land, by a separate Agreement.

9.

When the War is begun, they are to act by Concert, according to the Seventh and Eighth Articles of the said Treaty of the Third of March in the Year One thousand Six hundred Seventy <sup>seven</sup>/<sub>eight</sub>; and no Negotiation shall be set on foot, nor any Peace, Truce, or Suspension of Arms to be made, but pursuant to the Ninth and Tenth Articles of the said Treaty.

10.

In making the Peace, particular Care shall be had of the Commerce and Traffick of the Two Nations; as likewise of their Safety, as well in relation to the *Spanish Netherlands*, as the neighbouring Countries.

11.

As to Sea Affairs, they shall govern themselves, in Case of a War, provisionally; and, until some other Disposition is agreed on, according to the Treaty made at *Whitehall* the Twenty-ninth of April One thousand Six hundred Eighty-nine, which shall be looked upon, to that Purpose, as renewed and inserted in this Alliance, as far as it shall be applicable to the present Constitution of Affairs, and particularly in relation to Prizes, the Proportion of Ships of War, the Council of War, and what depends thereupon.

12.

As to what concerns Ships retaken, the Treaty that was made between the said High Allies the Twenty-second October One thousand Six hundred Eighty-nine, shall be in force as if it were newly made.

13.

This Alliance shall be perpetual, as that of the Year One thousand Six hundred Seventy <sup>seven</sup>/<sub>eight</sub> above-mentioned is; and shall be looked upon as a Part of it, so far as it may be applied to future Occasions.

14.

The Ratifications of this Alliance shall be exchanged, on both Sides, in Three Weeks Time, to be reckoned from the Day of the Signing thereof.

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In Witness whereof the said Ambassador of his said Majesty, and the Deputies of the said States General, have signed these Presents, and caused the Seals of their Arms to be set thereto. At the *Hague*, the 11th of November in the Year 1701.

(L. S.) *Marlborough*.

(L. S.) <i>C. B. V. Lintelo,</i>	(L. S.) <i>E. de Weede,</i>
(L. S.) <i>F. B. de Reede,</i>	(L. S.) <i>W. V. Haren,</i>
(L. S.) <i>A. Heinsius,</i>	(L. S.) <i>B. J. V. Welvelde,</i>
(L. S.) <i>W. de Nassau,</i>	(L. S.) <i>W. Wickers.</i>

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Treaty be referred to the said Committee of the whole House.

Quotas of the  
Allies.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That he was directed by his Majesty to lay before this House the Quotas agreed to be furnished by his Majesty, the Emperor, and the States General, in pursuance of the Treaties laid before the House: And he presented the same to the House: And the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

In relation to the Quotas that are to be furnished by his Majesty, the Emperor, and the States General, for making good their Alliances; it was agreed,

That the Emperor should furnish Ninety thousand Men, to act against *France*; consisting of Sixty-six thousand Foot, and Twenty-four thousand Horse and Dragoons, not reckoning the rest of his Troops that will remain in *Hungary*, or other Parts of the Emperor's hereditary Countries.

The States are to furnish One hundred and Two thousand Men; consisting of Eighty-two thousand Foot, and Twenty thousand Horse and Dragoons.

The Quota promised for *England* is Forty thousand Men; consisting of Thirty-three thousand Foot, and Seven thousand Horse and Dragoons, which are to act in Conjunction with the Troops of the Allies.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Quotas be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Supply.

Then the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 10° die Januarii;*

Anno 13° Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Rygate  
Election.

A PETITION of *Edward Thurland* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen, and ought to have been returned, a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament, with Sir *John Parsons*, for the Borough of *Rygate*, in the County of *Surry*; but, by Threats, Promises, and many undue Means, many Persons were prevailed upon to vote for *Stephen Harrey* Esquire, and many were permitted to poll for him, that had no Right; and the

Bailiff of the said Borough hath returned Mr. *Harrey*, in Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying Relief in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of the Gentlemen, and other the most substantial Inhabitants, of the Towns and Parishes of *Milverton*, *Wellington*, and Places adjacent, within the County of *Somerset*, as well in the behalf of themselves, and many Hundreds more of the like Capacity, and of the Serge-weavers and Worsted-weavers in those Parts, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Weaving of Serges, and Worsted Stuffs, is the principal Trade in those Parts, and employs most of their meaner sort of People, who formerly got a Livelihood thereby; but the great Discredit brought upon the said Trade, by young and poor People taking up the same, has rendered it a Grievance, they not having served their Apprenticeships thereto; and, by their Unskilfulness, their Masters are forced to put them out to Work; and then they, and their numerous Families, become chargeable to their several Parishes: And praying, That the House will take their said Grievances into Consideration, and relieve them therein.

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tures.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture; and to consider of the best Methods for regulating and improving the same.

A Petition of the Mayor, Jurats, Freemen, and chief Inhabitants, of the ancient Town and Port of *Rye*, in the County of *Sussex*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Rye* Harbour is the only Harbour for Ships that the *English* have upon the Coast of *Kent* and *Sussex*, from the *Downs* to *Portsmouth*; and it lies very convenient for Ships that sail from East to West, and over-against *Diep*, and other considerable Ports of *France*; and, for a small Charge, may be made so as to hinder *French* Ships and Privateers from infesting that Coast: That the Tide used to flow from the said Harbour, up the River *Rother*, Twenty-four Miles; whereby, and by the Reflux thereof, the Harbour was kept open, and the Town of *Rye* had a considerable Trade with its neighbouring Towns, by the said Navigation of the River *Rother*; but of late Years, several Persons have inned several Acres of Land which belonged to the said Harbour, and have built Flood-gates, and made Cross-walls, which hinder the Tide from flowing and re-flowing up the River *Rother*; whereby the Slubb is stopped in the Harbour, so that now there is not above Three Fathom at low Water, where there used to be Seven Fathom; and thereby the said Harbour grows worse every Year, so that in few Years a Ship of Burden will not be able to come in there, unless the said Flood-gates and Cross-walls be taken away: And praying, That some Course may be taken for restoring the said Harbour to its ancient Goodness, for the Benefit of the Nation, so that it may not be totally lost.

Rye Harbour.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for repairing the Harbour of *Rye*, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Hayes*, and Mr. *Fagg*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Ordered, That Doctor *Smalldridge* be desired to preach before this House, at *St. Margaret's, Westminster*, upon the Thirtieth Day of January instant; and that Mr. *Bertie* and Sir *John Bolls* do acquaint him therewith.

Dr. Smal-  
dridge to  
preach on  
30th Jan.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales*: And the same was received.

Attaining  
the Pre-  
tender.

The Bill was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next.

Mr.



Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

Mr. *Harcourt*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for reviving and continuing an Act, intituled, An Act for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army and Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Monday Morning next.

Address to  
insist on Re-  
paration for  
the French  
owning the  
Pretender.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will be graciously pleased to take care, that it be an Article in the several Treaties of Alliance with his Majesty, and other Potentates, That no Peace shall be made with *France*, until his Majesty, and the Nation, have Reparation for the great Indignity offered by the *French King*, in owning and declaring the pretended Prince of *Wales* King of *England*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions, which the Committee had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Proportion of Land Forces to act, in conjunction with the Forces of the Allies, for making good the Alliances, be Forty thousand Men, consisting of Thirty-three thousand Foot, and Seven thousand Horse and Dragoons.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Forty thousand Men be employed in the Sea Service for the Year One thousand Seven hundred Two.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, for the maintaining the said Forty thousand Men for Thirteen Months, Four Pounds a Man per Mensem be allowed, including the Ordnance for Sea Service.

The said Resolutions being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House, *Nemine contradicente*.

Privateers.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

And it is referred to Mr. *Moor*, Sir *Bryan Stapleton*, Mr. *Sargison*, Mr. *Farrer*, Sir *R. Onslow*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Crawley*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Coke*, Mr. *Clark*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Bere*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Sir *Walt. Yonge*, Lord *Coningsby*, Lord *Spencer*, Mr. *Papillon*, Colonel *Colchester*, Mr. *Bierly*, Mr. *Aylmer*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Foley*, Lord *Powlet*, Mr. *Heysham*, Sir *Wm. Phippard*, Mr. *Onslow*; and all that serve for Sea Port Towns, and that are Merchants of the House: And they are to meet upon Monday next, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do consider of the several Acts, now in being, relating to Privateers, and what ought to be done in relation thereunto; and report the same to the House.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they do consider of the Hardships that Merchants have suffered, by taking their Men out of their Ships in long Voyages, and how the same may be remedied; and report their Opinion therein to the House.

Saltash Writ.

*James Buller* Esquire, being elected Knight of the Shire for the County of *Cornwall*; and also a Burgess for the Borough of *Saltash*, in the same County; made his Election to serve for the said County.

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*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing a Burgess to serve for the said Borough of *Saltash*, in the room of the said Mr. *Buller*.

Sir *William Thomas* Baronet, being elected Knight of Seaforth the Shire for the County of *Sussex*; and also a Com-Baron Writ for the Port of *Seaforth*, made his Election to serve for the said County.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Com-Baron for the said Port of *Seaforth*, in the room of the said Sir *William Thomas*:

But the House directed Mr. Speaker not to issue the said Warrants till after the Fourteen Days were elapsed.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of the Deficiencies of Parliamentary Funds since his Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown: And the Title thereof was read.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

*Ordered*, That an Account be laid before this House of all Supers upon the Receivers and Collectors of Taxes, and other his Majesty's Revenues. Supers upon Receivers of Taxes.

*Ordered*, That there be also laid before this House an Account of the Names of the Securities of the respective Receivers in Arrear. Securities of Receivers in Arrear.

And then the House adjourned till Monday Morning, Nine a Clock.

Lunæ, 12<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

Anno 13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

A PETITION of Sir *George Warburton* Baronet, *Chester Election*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly chosen a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Chester*, and, as such, ought to have been returned: But, by the Partiality of the Sheriff, and many undue Practices used in behalf of Sir *John Manwaring*, and Sir *Robert Cotton*, they are returned; in Prejudice of the Petitioner: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Peter Gott* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Town of *Winchelsea*, in the County of *Sussex*: But Mr. *John Hopper*, the Mayor, hath unduly returned *John Hayes* Esquire; to the Petitioner's Prejudice: And praying Relief in the Premises. *Winchelsea Election*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Bill for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* was, according to Order, read the Second time. Attainting the Pretender.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to prevent all traitorous Correspondence with the pretended Prince of *Wales*.

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*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for punishing such as shall, by Writing, Printing, Preaching, or advised Speaking, declare, that the pretended Prince of *Wales* has any Right to the Crown; or that any other than his present Majesty hath a Right thereto.

Commission-  
ers of Ac-  
counts.

A Bill for reviving and continuing an Act, intituled, An Act, for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, after the Committee of the whole House upon the Bill for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

The Account of the Deficiency of Parliamentary Funds, since his Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown, presented to the House on *Saturday* last, being read, is as followeth; viz.

Deficiency  
of Parlia-  
mentary  
Funds.

Exchequer

# ACCOUNT of the DEFICIENCY of PARLIAMENTARY FUNDS.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Issued upon Two Acts 8 <sup>o</sup> <i>Wilhelmi 3<sup>ti</sup></i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,699,990	0	0
Bills renewed by an Act 12 <i>Wilhelmi III.</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	331,569	4	9
Interest of all the Bills to this Day per Estimation	-	-	-	-	-	-	365,755	4	9
							3,397,414	9	6
Bills cancelled.									
On the Capitation Act	-	-	-	Principal.	Interest.		22,301	12	2½
Tonage	-	-	-	585,101	10	4	65,335	11	11½
12d. Aid	-	-	-	698,757	0	0	13,910	3	6½
2d 3s. Aid	-	-	-	404,772	0	0	21,518	15	1½
On ¼ of 4th 3s. Aid	-	-	-	161,886	4	9	74,869	17	2½
				346,125	0	0			
				2,196,641	15	1	197,936	0	0
				263,750	0	0	67,819	4	9
Bills cancelled, for which the new Bills were made	-	-	-						
				2,460,391	15	1	265,755	4	9
Bills standing out this Day; viz.									
For Principal	-	-	-	-	-	-	571,167	9	8
For Interest, per Estimation	-	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	0	0
							671,167	9	8
Towards which,									
Of Capitation	-	-	-	In Exchequer.	In Arrears.				
Tonage	-	-	-	1,079	13	4	2,511	15	8
12d. Aid	-	-	-	17	5	6½	6,018	4	3½
2d 11j.s. Aid	-	-	-	4,225	1	8½	22,020	2	0½
¼ of 4th 11j.s. Aid	-	-	-	130	2	9½	20,000	0	0
				5,432	3	0½	50,550	2	0
So there is wanting, to pay off all the Principal and Interest hitherto incurred	-	-	-				56,002	5	0½
<i>Memorandum:</i> By Clauses in the Acts for the said Bills, Page 532, and 531, this Deficiency was chargeable on any Aids to be granted in Parliament.	-	-	-						
<i>Memorandum:</i> There are some Arrears of the said late Tonage and Poundage still unrecovered; but they are liable to Debentures. There was borrowed upon the First 11j.s. Aid, payable Anno 1697, at 8 <i>l.</i> per Cent,	-	-	-						
The principal Money paid off is	-	-	-						
So the principal Money resting due, besides Interest, is	-	-	-						
<i>Memorandum:</i> There are Arrears standing out of this Aid of about 8,000 <i>l.</i> The Arrears of this Tax have been applied to Interest, as fast as they could be recovered; and the further Sum of 33,847 <i>l.</i> 18 <i>s.</i> 5 <i>d.</i> was supplied for Payment of One Year's Interest of these Loans, out of the Funds of the Year 1701.	-	-	-						
							1,500,000	0	0
							1,076,901	0	0
							423,099	0	0
							615,195	4	7½

Duties on Paper and Parchment.

Malt Duties.

Third Quarterly Poll:

Coffee, Tea, Hawkers, &c.

Duties on Leather.

These were granted for Two Years; ended First March 1698; and the Loans thereupon, at 8*l.* per Cent. did amount to -  
 The said Duties have paid off, besides Interest - - - - -  
 So the principal, remaining unsatisfied upon these Duties, is - - - - -  
*Memorandum*: The Sum of 1,232*l.* was supplied out of the Funds of the Year 1701. For Payment of One Year's Interest of these Loans;  
 There were made forth, in 10*l.* Tickets, as many as amounted to 1,217,930*l.*; of which there remain unsatisfied - - - - -  
 There is due for Interest thereupon, at an Halfpenny per Diem for each 10*l.*; viz.

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
For One Year, ended at <i>Lady-day</i> 1700	-	-	-
For another Year at <i>Lady-day</i> 1701	-	-	-
For Three Quarters at <i>Christmas</i> 1701	-	-	-
	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	42,425	18	6½
	42,425	18	6½
	31,314	8	7½

There was made forth, in Benefit Tickets, 45,810; and as many of them remain unsatisfied as amount to - - - - -

*Memorandum*: By a Clause in the Malt Act, Page 453, this Deficiency was chargeable on the First Aid which should be granted after the 29th of September 1699:

And that there are some Arrears of the Malt Duty applicable; but they are inconsiderable:  
 And that the Sum of 37,788*l.* 1*s.* for Payment of 7 Quarters Interest, at a Farthing per Diem for each 10*l.* Ticket, due at *Lady-day* 1699; was supplied out of the Funds for the Year 1701.

The Sum borrowed on this Tax, which was payable in the Year 1698, at 7 per Cent. for the First 250,000*l.* and 8*l.* per Cent. for the Remainder, was - - - - -  
 Of which there has been since repaid - - - - -  
 So that, besides all Interest due, and to grow due (towards which the Sum of 16,500*l.* per Estimation, may still be collected of Arrears), there rests, to clear the Principal - - - - -  
*Memorandum*: 18,381*l.* 12*s.* 0*d.* for One Year's Interest of these Loans, was supplied out of the Funds of the Year 1701.

The Duties on Coffee and Tea were granted until the First May 1701, and those on Hawkers and Pedlars until the 24th June 1701, to pay the Interest for the *Irish* Transport Debt; the Principal only of which Debt being payable by the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, there is no Provision for Payment of the growing Interest.

*Memorandum*: That, by a Clause in the Act for Sale of forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, Fol. 55.  
 It is provided, That the Principal and Interest of the said Exchequer Bills, and of the Tallies and Orders on the First *iii**s.* Aid; and of the said Duties on Paper and Parchment; and of the Tickets called the Malt Tickets; and of the Tallies and Orders of the said 3d quarterly Poll; shall be taken as Sterling Money in the purchasing the said Estates: But it does not yet appear how far the said Debts and Deficiencies will be lessened thereby.

These were granted for 3 Years, which determined the 22 of April 1700, and were appropriated to pay off 564,700*l.* which had been lent on the Coal Duties Anno 1695, and the Interest thereof; of which principal Sum there has been repaid but 60,262*l.*: So there remains a Deficiency, besides Interest, due and to grow due, of - - - - - 504,438 0 0

*Memorandum*: It is Enacted, Page 430, That, if the Duties on Leather should fall short, the Deficiency should be made good out of the next Aid to be granted after the End of the said 3 Years.

And that 52,966*l.* for 18 Months Interest of these Loans, was supplied out of the Funds for the Year 1701.

<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
30,000	0	0			
14,600	0	0			
			15,400	0	0
			557,930	0	0
			116,166	5	8½
			21,130	0	0
			695,226	5	8½
			499,820	17	0
			270,550	0	0
			229,270	17	0

3d iij sh. Aid.	There was borrowed on this Aid, which was payable in the Year 1699, the Sum of 1,400,000 <i>l.</i> at 7 <i>l.</i> per Cent. per Annum Interest; and there have been since repaid of the said principal Sum 1,363,228 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i> : So remains, to complete the same, 36,771 <i>l.</i> 7 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i> towards which, the Arrears standing out in the Hands of Receivers and Collectors, amount, per Estimation, to 10,948 <i>l.</i> 4 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> ; and then the Deficiency of this Tax unprovided for, besides Interest, will be -					<i>£.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
						25,823	2	9
Funds out of Salt Duties, and additional Stamp Duties.	<i>Memorandum:</i> That 1,738 <i>l.</i> 0 <i>s.</i> 7 <i>d.</i> was supplied for One Year's Interest of the Debt out of the Funds for the Year 1701.							
	The Deficiency of the yearly Fund of 160,000 <i>l.</i> for 2,000,000 <i>l.</i> advanced pursuant to an Act 9° <i>Willielmi</i> , is; viz.					<i>£.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	To <i>Michaelmas</i> 1700 -					35,590	4	7½
	To <i>Michaelmas</i> 1701 -					35,282	6	6
	In all,					70,872	11	1½
	The Sum of Two Millions Five hundred Seventy-nine thousand Two hundred Ninety-five Pounds One Shilling Two-pence Farthing					2,579,295	1	2½
						<i>Wm. Lowndes.</i>		



*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Account be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Publick  
Accounts.

Sir *Joseph Jekyll* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to prepare, and bring in, a Bill for taking the Accounts of the Kingdom, That they had prepared a Bill; which they had had directed him to present to the House; and he presented the same to the House accordingly.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move, That Estimates may be laid before the House of the Charge of the Navy, and Land Forces, for the Year 1702.

*Ordered*, That Estimates be laid before this House of the Charge of the Navy, and Land Forces, for the Year 1702.

Navy and  
Army  
Estimates.

And Sir *George Rook*, according to Order, presented to the House,

An Account of all the Ships and Vessels of his Majesty's Royal Navy, with the Condition of such as are in Ordinary, according to the present Appearance thereof; and where they now are: And,

An Abstract of the Ordinary Estimate of the Navy for the Year 1702: And,

An Estimate of the Debt of his Majesty's Navy, as it stood on the 31st of December 1701: And,

An Estimate of the Charge of the extra Works proposed to be performed at his Majesty's several Yards, in the Year 1702.

And the Titles thereof were read.

*Ordered*, That the said Account, Abstract, and Estimates, do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, after the Committees upon the Bill of Attainder, and Bill of Accounts, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 13<sup>a</sup> die Januarii;*

Anno 13<sup>a</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Fowey  
Election.

A PETITION of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, free Burgesses, and Inhabitant, paying Scot and Lot, in the Borough of *Fowey*, in the County of *Cornwall*, on behalf of themselves, and many others of the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Mayor and a Portreeve of the said Borough, to whom the Precept for electing Members to serve in Parliament is directed, and who are the Judges of the Election: That the Precept came to the Hands of *Jonathan Tingcomb*, the then Portreeve; who gave Notice, That the last Election should be on *Tuesday* the Second of December

last: And the Petitioners met; but the said Portreeve did not: And *John Granvill* Esquire, *John Hicks* Esquire, and also *John Williams* Esquire, Nephew to the Portreeve, stood Candidates: But *Nathanael Tingcomb*, the Portreeve's Brother, who had wrongfully got the Precept, took upon him the Execution thereof; endeavouring to hinder the Mayor from acting in his Office, and arbitrarily, contrary to the Determination of the last House of Commons, touching Elections, rejected divers legal Votes for Mr. *Granvill* and Mr. *Hicks*, and allowed many unqualified Persons to vote for Mr. *Williams*; and committed many other illegal Practices for him: Notwithstanding which Mr. *Granvill* and Mr. *Hicks* were duly elected, and the Petitioners executed an Indenture for returning them: But the said *Nathanael* refused to deliver the Precept to the Mayor, to annex it thereto; by reason whereof the High Sheriff would not accept the said Indenture from the Petitioners; and the said *Jonathan Tingcomb* hath falsely returned the said Mr. *Williams*, instead of Colonel *Granvill*, with Mr. *Hicks*; to the great Injury of the Petitioners: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of several Burghers of *Appleby*, in the County of *Westmoreland*, in behalf of themselves, and divers other Burghers of the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election, and after the Teste of the Writ, for Members to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough, several unlawful Practices were used to gain Votes for *Gervas Pierpoint* and *James Grahme* Esquires, whereby they gained a Majority; but the Petitioners conceive, that *Wharton Dunch* and *Richard Brathwait* Esquires were duly chosen for their Representatives: And praying, That the House will take the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Joshua Lomar* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *St. Albans*, in the County of *Hertford*, the Petitioner, and *John Gape* junior, Esquire, with others, stood Candidates; and many illegal Practices were made use of, on behalf of the said Mr. *Gape*, at the said Election, to the Petitioner's Prejudice: And praying the Consideration of the House therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales*.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Sir *Rowland Grayn* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Sir *Rowland Grayn* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill; and made some Amendments thereto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer acquainted the House, that their Address of *Saturday* last having been presented to his Majesty, his Majesty was pleased to return his Thanks

Answer to  
Address.

Thanks to the House for their Address; and to say, That he will take care of what they desire therein.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for reviving and continuing the Act, intituled, An Act for the appointing and enabling Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; is committed; That they have Power to receive a Clause, That the Commissioners may take the Accounts of the Majors of Brigades.

Security of  
King's  
Person and  
Succession.

Sir *Charles Hedges*, according to Order, presented to the House, a Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person; and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Thursday* Morning next.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of Major General *William Stuart* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in Consideration of Seven thousand Five hundred Pounds, due to the Petitioner for Arrears of Pay, and contingent Charges in *Spain* and *Ireland*, his Majesty did grant the Petitioner forfeited Lands in *Ireland*, of Eight hundred Pounds per Annum; who thereupon released his Majesty from the said Debt; but, by the late Act of Resumption, the same Lands are taken from the Petitioner; in whose Favour a Clause was inserted in the said Act, That when any Person had taken any Grant in lieu of any Sum of

Money due from his Majesty, and had released the same, such Person should be intitled to such Debt, as if no Release had been given: In pursuance whereof, his Majesty, by Warrant, distinguishes the contingent Charges from the Arrears of Pay, and ordered the same to be paid; which amounts to Three thousand Nine hundred Sixty-two Pounds Seven Shillings and Four-pence: That the Petitioner produced the said Warrant to the late Commissioners of Accounts; but they said, They had no Power to allow any Warrants, or give Certificates for Money that did not appear to be due by the Establishment: That the last House of Commons did admit a Clause, in the Petitioner's Favour, into the then Bill for stating the Accounts of the Army, &c.: And praying, That the Commissioners of Accounts may have the necessary Powers to allow him a Certificate, that he may have Satisfaction for the Money due to him, as aforesaid.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for reviving and continuing an Act, intituled, An Act for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army and Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; is committed.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, that they do consider of the Contracts for Transport Service; in the Year 1693.

The List of the Ships and Vessels of his Majesty's Royal Navy, with the Condition of such as are in Ordinary, according to the present Appearance thereof, and where they now are, was read; and is as followeth; viz.

List of the  
Royal Navy.

Rates.	Names.	In Sen. Pay.	In Condition to be fitted for the Sea.	Under Repair.	Wanting Repairs.		Where they now are.
					Great, or rebuilding.	Lesser.	
1st	St. Andrew -	-	✓	✓			at <i>Woolwich</i> .
	Britania -	-	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	London -	-	✓		✓		at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Queen -	-	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Victory -	-	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Royal Wm. -	-	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Royal Sovereign -	-	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
2d	Association -	-	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Albemarle -	-	✓	✓			at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Barfleur -	-	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Prince George -	-	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Princess Anne -	-	✓		✓		at <i>Chatham</i> .
	St. George -	-	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Royal Catharine -	-	✓	✓			at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	St. Michael -	-	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Neptune -	-	✓		✓		at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Namur -	-	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Ossory -	-	✓		✓		at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Sandwich -	-	✓		✓		at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Triumph -	-	✓		✓		at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Vanguard -	-	✓		✓		at <i>Chatham</i> .
3d	Berwick -	✓	✓				at <i>Spithead</i> .
	Boyne -	-	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Bredah -	✓	✓				at <i>Jamaica</i> , with Vice Admiral <i>Bembow</i> : fitting out at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Burford -	✓	✓				at <i>Spithead</i> .
	Bedford -	✓	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Captain -	-	✓		✓		at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Cornwall -	-	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Chichester -	-	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Cambridge -	-	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Cumberland -	-	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Content Prize -	-	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .

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Rate.	Names.	In Sea Pay.	In Condition to be fitted for the Sea.	Under Repair.	Wanting repairs.		Where they now are.
					Great, or rebuilding.	Lesser.	
3d.	Defiance -	✓					at <i>Jamaica</i> , with Vice Admiral <i>Bembow</i> .
	Devonshire -	✓			✓		at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Dorsetshire -	✓	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Eagle -	✓					at <i>Spithead</i> .
	Edgar -	✓					fitting out at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Elizabeth -	✓			✓		at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Essex -	✓					coming from <i>Plymouth</i> to <i>Spithead</i> .
	Expedition -	✓					fitting out at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Grafton -	✓					at <i>Spithead</i> .
	Hampton Court -	✓	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Humber -	✓	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Ipswich -	✓					fitting out at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Kent -	✓					refitting at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Lancaster -	✓	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Lenox -	✓					ordered from <i>Chatham</i> to the <i>Nore</i> .
	Monmouth -	✓					at <i>Spithead</i> .
	Norfolk -	✓	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Northumberland -	✓	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Newark -	✓					at <i>Sheerness</i> .
	Nassau -	✓					fitting out at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Royal Oak -	✓			✓		at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Orford -	✓					fitting out at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Resolution -	✓					ordered from <i>Spithead</i> to <i>Downs</i> .
	Restauration -	✓	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Rupert -	✓		✓			at <i>Plymouth</i> .
	Russell -	✓					fitting out at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Ranelagh -	✓	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Revenge -	✓					at <i>Spithead</i> .
	Sterling Castle -	✓					coming from <i>Plymouth</i> to <i>Spithead</i> .
	Suffolk -	✓					fitting out at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Swiftsure -	✓			✓		at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Shrewsbury -	✓					fitting out at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Somerset -	✓	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Torbay -	✓	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Warspight -	✓		✓			at <i>Rotherhith</i> .
	Yarmouth -	✓					at <i>Spithead</i> .
4th.	Assistance -	✓					daily expected from <i>Cadiz</i> .
	Anglesea -	✓			✓		at <i>Woolwich</i> .
	Advice -	✓					coming from <i>N. York</i> .
	Bristol -	✓					gone to <i>Jamaica</i> .
	Bonadventure -	✓					on the Coast of <i>Guinea</i> .
	Burlington -	✓					coming to <i>Spithead</i> .
	Blackwall -	✓					ordered to the <i>Canaries</i> .
	Canterbury -	✓					coming from <i>Cork</i> to <i>Spithead</i> .
	Centurion -	✓					in the <i>Downes</i> .
	Chatham -	✓					ordered from <i>Spithead</i> to the <i>Downs</i> .
	Chester -	✓					coming from <i>Plymouth</i> to <i>Spithead</i> .
	Crowne -	✓					ordered into <i>Bristol</i> Chanel.
	Colchester -	✓					at <i>Jamaica</i> , with <i>Benbow</i> .
	Coventry -	✓					gone to <i>Plymouth</i> to clean.
	Deptford -	✓					coming from <i>Cadiz</i> .
	Dover -	✓					at <i>Plymouth</i> .
	Dragon -	✓					coming from <i>Cadiz</i> .
	Dunkirk -	✓					coming from <i>Cork</i> to <i>Spithead</i> .
	Dreadnought -	✓					gone to <i>Jamaica</i> .
	Dartmouth -	✓					at <i>Spithead</i> .
	Exeter -	✓					ordered from <i>Spithead</i> to the <i>Downs</i> .
	Falmouth -	✓					at <i>Jamaica</i> , with <i>Benbow</i> .
	Falkland -	✓	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Greenwich -	✓					at <i>Jamaica</i> , with Vice Admiral <i>Benbow</i> .
	Gloucester -	✓					Ditto.
	Guernsey -	✓					coming from <i>Plymouth</i> to <i>Spithead</i> .
	Hampshire -	✓					ordered to the <i>Downs</i> .
	Jersey -	✓					going to <i>N. York</i> .
	Kingston -	✓					with Vice Admiral <i>Benbow</i> .
	Kingfisher -	✓					ordered to <i>Spithead</i> .
	Lincolne -	✓					at <i>Spithead</i> .
	Litchfield -	✓					at <i>Spithead</i> .
	Medway -	✓					ordered from <i>Spithead</i> to the <i>Downes</i> .

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					Great, or Rebuilding.	Leaser.		
4th	Monk -	✓	✓				fitting out in the River.	
	Mountague -	✓	✓				ordered from <i>Spithead</i> to the <i>Downes</i> .	
	Mary -	✓	✓				fitting out at <i>Chatham</i> .	
	Norwich -	✓	✓				coming from <i>Ireland</i> to <i>Spithead</i> .	
	Newcastle -	✓	✓				at <i>Spithead</i> .	
	Nonsuch -	✓	✓				in the Chanel.	
	Oxford -	✓	✓		✓		at <i>Deptford</i> .	
	Portland -	✓	✓				at <i>Woolwich</i> .	
	Pembroke -	✓	✓				ordered to cruise off <i>Scilly</i> .	
	Pendennis -	✓	✓				with Vice Admiral <i>Benbow</i> .	
	Plymouth -	✓	✓				at the <i>Nore</i> .	
	Reserve -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .	
	Rochester -	✓	✓				ordered from the <i>Sound</i> to <i>Spithead</i> .	
	Ruby -	✓	✓				in the <i>West Indies</i> .	
	Romney -	✓	✓				ordered from <i>Spithead</i> to the <i>Downs</i> .	
	Southampton -	✓	✓				coming from <i>Virginia</i> .	
	Sunderland -	✓	✓				fitting out at <i>Sheerness</i> .	
	Severne -	✓	✓				at <i>Spithead</i> .	
	Salisbury -	✓	✓				ordered to the <i>Downes</i> .	
	Tyger -	✓	✓	✓			at <i>Rotherhith</i> .	
	Tilbury -	✓	✓				coming from <i>Barbary</i> .	
	Weymouth -	✓	✓				cruising off <i>Dungenesse</i> .	
	Woolwich -	✓	✓				at <i>Woolwich</i> .	
	Windsor -	✓	✓				with Vice Admiral <i>Benbow</i> .	
	Warwick -	✓	✓				cruising off <i>Scilly</i> .	
	Winchester -	✓	✓				refitting at <i>Chatham</i> .	
	Worcester -	✓	✓				at <i>Spithead</i> .	
	York -	✓	✓				gone to <i>Jamaica</i> .	
	Trydent Prize -	✓	✓		✓		at <i>Portsmouth</i> .	
5th	Adventure -	✓	✓				coming from <i>Cadiz</i> .	
	Arrundell -	✓	✓			✓	at <i>Deptford</i> .	
	Betty -	✓	✓				on the Coast of <i>Guinea</i> .	
	Bedford Gally -	✓	✓				coming from <i>Plymouth</i> to <i>Spithead</i> .	
	Bridgwater -	✓	✓				Coast of <i>Ireland</i> .	
	Charles Gally -	✓	✓				cruising off <i>Dungenesse</i> .	
	Dolphin -	✓	✓				at <i>Spithead</i> .	
	Experiment -	✓	✓				gone to <i>Jamaica</i> .	
	Fowy -	✓	✓				at <i>Jamaica</i> .	
	Feversham -	✓	✓				cleaning at <i>Plymouth</i> .	
	Gosport -	✓	✓				attends on <i>N. England</i> .	
	Hastings -	✓	✓				at <i>Plymouth</i> .	
	Kinsale -	✓	✓				gone to <i>Barbadoes</i> .	
	Lyme -	✓	✓				cruising of <i>Dungenesse</i> .	
	Lynn -	✓	✓				at <i>Sheerness</i> .	
	Lowstoffs -	✓	✓				ordered from <i>Sheerness</i> to the <i>Downes</i> .	
	Loo -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .	
	Ludlow -	✓	✓				coming from <i>Barbados</i> .	
	Mary Gally -	✓	✓				gone to Western Islands.	
	Mermaid -	✓	✓				<i>Cape de Verde</i> Islands.	
	Milford -	✓	✓				at <i>Sheerness</i> .	
	Poole -	✓	✓				ordered to the <i>Canaries</i> .	
	Rye -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .	
	Sheerness -	✓	✓				carries Recruits to <i>Holland</i> .	
	Saudado's Prize -	✓	✓				at <i>Plymouth</i> .	
	Shoreham -	✓	✓				coming from <i>Virginia</i> .	
	Sorlings -	✓	✓				at <i>Plymouth</i> .	
	Speedwell -	✓	✓				at <i>Limehouse</i> .	
	Scarborough -	✓	✓	✓			at <i>Jamaica</i> .	
	Winchelsea -	✓	✓				on the Coast <i>Ireland</i> .	
6th	Dunwich -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .	
	Deal Castle -	✓	✓				coming from <i>Leeward Islands</i> .	
	Essex Prize -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .	
	Flamborough -	✓	✓		✓		<i>Downes</i> .	
	Lizard -	✓	✓				<i>Nore</i> .	
	Maidstone -	✓	✓				at <i>Leeward Islands</i> .	
	Margate -	✓	✓				at <i>Jamaica</i> .	
	Newport -	✓	✓				at <i>Spithead</i> .	

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					Great, or Rebuilding.	Lesser.	
6th	Penzance -	✓	✓				Coast of <i>Ireland</i> .
	Peregrine Gally	✓	✓				River of <i>Thames</i> .
	Queenbrough	✓	✓				ordered to Coast of <i>Flanders</i> .
	Swan -	✓	✓				<i>Spithead</i> .
	Solebay -	✓	✓				<i>Nore</i> .
	Sea Horse	✓	✓				gone to <i>Jamaica</i> .
	Seaford -	✓	✓				Coast of <i>Ireland</i> .
	Fireships.						
	Firebrand -	✓	✓		✓		at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Griffin -	✓	✓				at <i>Sheerness</i> .
	Hunter -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .
	Hawk -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .
	Lightning	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .
	Phoenix -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .
	Strombelo	✓	✓				gone to the <i>West Indies</i> .
	Vultur -	✓	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Vulcan -	✓	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Vesuvius -	✓	✓				Ditto.
	Terrible -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .
	Bombs.						
	Basilisk -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .
	Blast -	✓	✓		✓		at <i>Woolwich</i> .
	Carcasse -	✓	✓				gone to <i>Jamaica</i> .
	Commet -	✓	✓		✓		at <i>Woolwich</i> .
	Firedrake -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .
	Furnace -	✓	✓				Ditto.
	Granado -	✓	✓				Ditto.
	Mortar -	✓	✓				Ditto.
	Portsmouth	✓	✓				at <i>Woolwich</i> .
	Salamander	✓	✓		✓		Ditto.
	Starr -	✓	✓		✓		Ditto.
	Serpent -	✓	✓				coming to <i>Spithead</i> .
	Terror -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .
	Yachts.						
	Charlotte -	✓	✓				Coast of <i>Ireland</i> .
	Cleveland -	✓	✓				in the River <i>Thames</i> .
	Fubbs -	✓	✓				Ditto.
	Henrietta -	✓	✓				Ditto.
	Isabella -	✓	✓				attends on <i>Jersey</i> .
	Isle of Wight	✓	✓				Ditto, <i>Isle of Wight</i> .
	Jemmy -	✓	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Katherine	✓	✓				in the River of <i>Thames</i> .
	Mary -	✓	✓				Ditto.
	Queenborough	✓	✓				attends Governor of <i>Sheerness</i> .
	Soesdyke -	✓	✓				coming from <i>Ireland</i> .
	Squirrell -	✓	✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	St. Lo -	✓	✓				at <i>Plymouth</i> .
	Wm. and Mary -	✓	✓				in the River.
	Advice Boats.						
	Express -	✓	✓				attends on <i>Guernsey</i> .
	Eagle -	✓	✓				attends on <i>Maryland</i> .
	Messenger	✓	✓				ordered from Ditto.
	Scout Boat	✓	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Brigantines.						
	Discovery -	✓	✓				at <i>Woolwich</i> .
	Dispatch -	✓	✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Diligence -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .
	Fly -	✓	✓				at <i>Woolwich</i> .
	Post Boy -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .
	Spy -	✓	✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .



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					Great, or Rebuilding.	Lesser.	
	Sloops.						
	St. Antonio - - -	✓					gone to <i>Jamaica</i> .
	Bonetta - - -	✓					Coast of <i>Ireland</i> .
	Hound - - -	✓					Ditto.
	Merlin - - -	✓					Ditto.
	Otter - - -	✓					coming from <i>Cadiz</i> .
	Prohibition - - -	✓					Coast of <i>Ireland</i> .
	Shark - - -	✓					Ditto.
	Swallow - - -	✓					Ditto.
	Swift - - -	✓					Ditto.
	Woolf - - -	✓					Ditto.
	Pink.						
	Paramour - - -		✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .
	Ketches.						
	Providence - - -		✓				at <i>Plymouth</i> .
	Martin - - -	✓					ordered to <i>Spithead</i> .
	Storeships.						
	Canterbury - - -	✓					at <i>Deptford</i> .
	Katharine - - -	✓					Ditto.
	Suffolk Hogboat - - -	✓					Ditto.
	Green-fish - - -	✓					Ditto.
	Hulks.						
	Arms of Rotterdam - - -			✓			at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Chatham - - -		✓				Ditto.
	St. David - - -		✓				at <i>Plymouth</i> , designed for <i>Kinsale</i> .
	Exeter - - -		✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	French Ruby - - -		✓				Ditto.
	St. George - - -		✓				designed for <i>Harwich</i> .
	Josiah - - -		✓				at <i>Woolwich</i> .
	Lewis - - -	✓					gone to <i>Jamaica</i> .
	Medway Prize - - -		✓				at <i>Sheerness</i> .
	Plymouth - - -		✓				at <i>Plymouth</i> .
	Thunderbolt Prize - - -		✓				
	Hoys.						
	Delight - - -		✓				
	Forrester - - -		✓				
	Lighter - - -		✓				
	Marygold - - -		✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Nonsuch - - -		✓				
	Sophia - - -		✓				
	Supply - - -		✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Sheerness Water Boat - - -		✓				at <i>Sheerness</i> .
	Transporter - - -		✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Truelove - - -		✓				at <i>Portsmouth</i> .
	Unity Horse Boat - - -		✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Unity 2d - - -		✓				Ditto.
	Unity 3d - - -		✓				Ditto.
	Transport Lighter - - -		✓				at <i>Kinsale</i> .
	Endeavourer First Smack - - -		✓				at <i>Woolwich</i> .
	Owners Good Will - - -		✓				at <i>Deptford</i> .
	Smacks.						
	Royal Escape - - -		✓				Ditto.
	Flemish Long Boat - - -		✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .
	Tow Engines.						
	Two - - -		✓				at <i>Chatham</i> .

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Rates.	No.	In Sea Pay.	In Condition to be fitted for the Sea.	Under Repair.	Wanting Repairs.	
					Great, or Rebuilding.	Lesser.
First - - -	7	- - -	5	1	1	—
Second - - -	14	- - -	7	2	5	—
Third - - -	47	24	16	2	3	2
Fourth - - -	62	54	3	2	2	1
Fifth - - -	30	22	6	1	- - -	1
Sixth - - -	15	14	- - -	- - -	1	—
Fireships - - -	11	3	7	- - -	- - -	1
Bombs - - -	13	2	7	- - -	1	3
Yachts - - -	14	13	1	—	—	—
Advice Boats - - -	4	4	—	—	—	—
Brigantines - - -	6	- - -	5	- - -	- - -	1
Sloops - - -	10	10	—	—	—	—
Pink - - -	1	- - -	1	—	—	—
Ketches - - -	2	1	1	—	—	—
Storeships - - -	3	3	Whereof One a Transport Vessel.			
Hulks - - -	12	1	9	1	1	—
Hoys - - -	16	- - -	16	—	—	—
Smacks - - -	2	- - -	1	1	1	—
Tow Boats - - -	2	- - -	2	—	—	—
TOTAL - - -	271	151	87	9	15	9

G Rook, D. Mitchell, Geo. Churchill.

*Ordered,* That the Consideration of the said List be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

An Estimate of the Debt of his Majesty's Navy, as it stood on the 31st Day of December 1701, was read; Navy Debt. and is as followeth :

AN ESTIMATE of the DEBTS of his Majesty's NAVY, on the Heads hereafter mentioned, as it stood on the 31st of December 1701.

Heads of the NAVAL ESTIMATES.	Debts as they stood on the 31st of December 1701.				Remaining on the 31st of December 1701, in Money and Tallies, towards satisfying the said Debts.				The aforesaid Money and Tallies being deducted, the net Debt on the 31st of December, 1701, will be; viz.			
	PARTICULARS.		TOTALS.		To be received of the Lords of the Treasury of the last Year's Appropriation.		In the Treasurer of the Navy's Hands.		£. s. d.		£. s. d.	
Due on Bills in the said Book; namely Pursers, Balance Bills, and for extra Necessary-money, Pensions, Half-pay, Surgeons, Free-gift, &c. occurred before this Reign	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.
Wear and Tear, ordinary and extraordinary Repairs.	-	- -	40,000	0 0	-	- -	40,000	0 0	-	- -	40,000	0 0
Due to pay off and discharge all the Bills entered in Course in the Ordinary and Extra of his Majesty's Navy, and all other Debts arising for Stores delivered, for which Bills were not made out; with the Debt of the Out Ports	364,955	0 0	536,261	0 0	125,501	9 3 1	34,782	7 5 1	375,977	3 2 1	375,977	3 2 1
For his Majesty's Yards and Rope Yards, for the Ordinary and Extra thereof	171,306	0 0										
Seamen's Wages.												
Due to several Men, remaining unpaid upon the Books of Ships paid off since the 13th of February 1688	231,241	0 0	589,752	0 0	114,362	13 7	32,000	15 0 1	433,388	11 4 1	433,388	11 4 1
To Ships in Sea Pay	346,212	0 0										
To pay off and discharge all the Bills entered in Course for the Pay of Flag Officers, Pilotage, &c. on the Head of Seamen's Wages	12,299	0 0										
Victualling.												
Due on Account of victualling his Majesty's Navy, according to an Account received from the Commissioners thereof	-	- -	316,340	17 0	-	- -	43,355	13 11	272,985	3 1	272,985	3 1
Sick and Wounded.												
Due for the Service of the Sick and Wounded, as by an Account received from the late Commissioners thereof	35,623	0 0	38,567	0 0	12,294	16 6	515	19 1	25,756	4 5	25,756	4 5
For the like Service, since that Business was transferred to the Register Office, as by an Account received from those Commissioners	2,944	0 0										
Register Office.												
Due to the Seamen that have registered themselves pursuant to an Act of Parliament in that behalf, according to an Account received from the Commissioners thereof	-	- -	106,615	0 0	-	- -	-	- -	106,615	0 0	106,615	0 0
The aforesaid Debt amounts to the Sum of One Million Two hundred Sixty-four thousand Seven hundred Twenty-two Pounds Two Shillings and One Penny Farthing			1,627,535	17 0	252,158	19 4 1	110,654	15 6	1,264,722	2 11 1	1,264,722	2 11 1

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Ordered,

By Command of their Lordships,  
J. Burchett.  
Geo. Churchill,  
G. Rooke,  
D. Mitchell.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Estimate the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two was be referred to the said Committee. read; and is as followeth; viz.

Navy  
Estimate.

An Abstract of the ordinary Estimate of the Navy for

1. Lords of the Admiralty, Commissioners of the Navy, with their Secretaries, Officers, Clerks, and Instruments, Rents of the Offices, and Contingencies relating thereto, &c.	£.	s.	d.
2. Pensions to the superannuated Sea Officers, and to the Widows of others	24,485	5	8
	12,809	15	2

## Y A R D S.

3. Chatham	£.	s.	d.
4. Deptford	2,247	0	6
5. Woolwich	2,836	8	10
6. Portsmouth	2,273	18	8
7. Sheerness	3,286	16	3
8. Plymouth	1,557	19	11
	2,162	18	11
9. Muster-masters, and other Officers at the Out Ports		1,174	0 0
10. Wages to Ships and Vessels in Ordinary		10,344	1 4
11. Victuals for the Officers and Men serving therein		4,617	5 0
12. Charges of Harbour Moorings		30,598	0 0
13. Ordinary Repairs for the Ships in Harbour, and of Docks, Wharfs, Storehouses, &c.		28,971	0 0
14. Charge of the Office, for Sick and Wounded		950	0 0

G. Rook,  
D. Mitchell,  
Geo. Churchill.

129,314 10 0

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Abstract proposed to be performed at his Majesty's several Yards in the Year One thousand Seven and Two was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Estimate of  
Naval Extra  
Works.

The Estimate of the Charge of the extra Works

For carrying on the Works of his Majesty's Ships under Repair, and rebuilding; finishing such as can be finished; and taking in hand as many others wanting Rebuilding, or extraordinary Repairs, as can be taken in Hand; and completing the Rigging, Ground Tackle, and Stores	£.	s.	d.
	90,000	0	0

## D E P T F O R D.

For rebuilding the Master Shipwright's House, which is ready to tumble down	£.	s.	d.
Making a single dry Dock of about 190 Feet long, and 53 Feet wide at the Gates	500	0	0
	5,000	0	0
	5,500	0	0

## W O O L W I C H.

For lengthening the double Dock Fifteen Feet; and carrying out a Piece of Wharf, between the Ship and the East Side of the Dock, to make it capable to receive a First and Third Rate Ship at one time; making a new Apron, Gates, and Apron Wharfs to the said Dock, the other being decayed	£.	s.	d.
	2,200	0	0

## C H A T H A M.

For removing the remaining Part of the Bank against the lower Dock, to deepen the River	£.	s.	d.
Building new Boat-houses on the West side of the Mast Dock, for Preservation of Boats for the Ships that lie up there	2,000	0	0
Digging a new Mast Dock, and Wharfing round the same; and erecting a new Wharf against the River, to secure the said Mast Dock	1,120	0	0
A Floor over the new Rope-house to employ Spinners, laying Hemp, &c.	2,088	0	0
	484	0	0
	5,692	0	0

## P O R T S M O U T H.

For erecting a Wall round the said Yard, of 3,114 Feet in Length, and 16 Feet in Height, to be of Stone and Brick; and for levelling the Banks for that Purpose, in case it shall be thought fit to be done	£.	s.	d.
	3,744	0	0
Inlarging the Mast Dock, for the better Preservation of Masts from Decay	5,871	0	0

## P L Y M O U T H.

For enlarging a Jetty Head	£.	s.	d.
For Wharfing, Planking, and Digging of Ground, for a Graving-place	645	0	0
	853	0	0

## D E A L.

For several Buildings between the South End of the Town of Deal, and the Castle, with Yard-Room, a Stone House, and other Conveniences, to lodge Naval Stores in, for Supply of his Majesty's Ships in the Downes, Security of Boats, &c.	£.	s.	d.
	1,181	0	0

In all \* 163,686 0 0

By Command of their Lordships,  
J. Burchett.

G. Rooke,  
D. Mitchell,  
Geo. Churchill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Estimate be referred to the said Committee.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for reviving and continuing An Act, intituled, An Act for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine the Debts due to the Army and Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Harcourt took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Harcourt reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made on Thursday Morning next.

A Message

This is over-cast 48,000 l. which is taken Notice of in the original Account.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Robert Legard and Mr. Gery:

Mr. Speaker,

Security of  
King's  
Person and  
Succession.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the Security of his Majesty's Person and Government; and for maintaining the Succession of the Crown, according to the Two late Acts of Parliament: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Conyers also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Mercurii, 14<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Fees of  
Officers of  
the House.

THE Table of Fees claimed by the Officers of the House, being laid before the House, according to Order;

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to inspect and settle the Fees to be taken by the Officers and Servants of the House:

And it is referred to Sir Rowland Gwyn, Sir John Phillips, Mr. King, Sir Godfrey Copley, Sir Fra. Molyneux, Sir Wm. Ashurst, Mr. Phillips, Sir John Mordant, Sir Jos. Tredenham, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Rowney, Mr. Burnaby, Mr. Manly, Mr. Ashurst, Mr. Tredenham, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Curson, Sir John Bolls, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Stonehouse, Mr. Wroth, Mr. Wheeler, Sir Alexander Rigby, Sir Hen. Ashurst, Mr. Carter, Mr. Campion, Mr. Austen, Mr. Scotell, Mr. Owen, Mr. Freeman, Sir Gerv. Elwes, Mr. Gape, Mr. Bertie, Mr. Marks: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Ordered, That the said Committee do examine what Salaries or Allowances the Officers and Servants of the House have from the Government; and report the same to the House.

St. Albans  
Election.

A Petition of several Housholders and Inhabitants of and within the Borough of *St. Albans*, in the County of *Hertford*, in behalf of themselves, and other Freemen inhabiting within the said Borough, paying Scot and Lot, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That at the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament, by the Permission of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Town Clerk, several Foreigners, who had no Right, were permitted to poll contrary to the Custom of the said Borough, whereby, and by other undue Means, a Majority of Votes was procured for *John Gape* junior, Esquire; but *Joshua Lomar* Esquire had a Majority of rightful Voters; yet Mr. Gape is returned, in Wrong to the Petitioners: And praying Relief in the Premises.

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Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Daniel Whidby* Esquire, Mayor of the Borough of *Orford*, in the County of *Suffolk*, and several of the Commonalty and Freemen of the said Borough, was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That a Precept issuing from the Sheriff, for electing Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough, one *John Hook* (pretending to be Mayor, though, upon a solemn Tryal at Bar, at *Westminster-hall*, he was found not to be legal Mayor) got the Precept and refused it to the Petitioner *Whidby*, who is the legal Mayor; and proceeded to an Election on the Second of December last; and hath returned Sir *Edmund Bacon* and Sir *Edmund Turner* Burgesses for the said Borough: That the Petitioner *Whidby* also, upon the same Day (having, before That, given due Notice of the Election) proceeded to the same; and the Petitioner and many others who had a Right to vote, by a great Majority, duly chose *Charles Killigrew* and *Charles May* Esquires; and made an Indenture and Return of them, under the Common Seal of the said Borough; and tendered the same to the Sheriff of the County, who refused to accept of it, and accepted of *Hook's* Return: by which partial and undue Proceeding the Rights and Privileges of the said Borough are violated: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of several of the Burgesses and Inhabitants of the Borough of *Malmesbury*, in the County of *Wilt*, on behalf of themselves, and divers other the Burgesses and Inhabitants of the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, upon the Dissolution of the last Parliament, *William Ady*, an Attorney, and other his Accomplices, did corruptly treat and contract with several Persons, in order to their being elected Members for the said Borough, in the ensuing Parliament; and that Sir *Cha. Hedges*, and *Edward Paunceford* Esquire, did, by those, and other unlawful Practices, procure themselves to be elected Members for the said Borough: And praying, That the House will take the Matter into Examination.

Ordered, That the Matter of the said Petition be heard at the Bar of this House upon To-morrow Fortnight.

A Petition of *Gerhard Sohnius*, in behalf of the Dutch Officers heretofore in *English* Pay, to whom Arrears are due, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners came from *Holland* with his Majesty, as Auxiliaries, upon the late Revolution; and faithfully served during the late Wars, and advanced their own Money to subsist their Soldiers, when the publick Money fell short: That the Petitioners made up their Accounts, and laid them before the Commissioners of Accounts; who have not stated the same, because they thought themselves not authorized so to do by the Powers of the late Act for appointing them: And praying, That in the Bill for reviving the Act for taking the Accounts of the Army, Navy, Transport Service, and Prizes taken during the late War, such Powers may be given, as may enable the Commissioners to state and determine the Petitioners Accounts, in Order to their effectual Payment.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report be made of the said Bill.

A Petition of *John Scoppens*, on behalf of himself, and others, Masters and Owners of the Dutch Transport Ships taken up and employed in the Reduction of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is due to the Petitioners, for the said Service, upon a stated



stated Account, 21,855 *l.* which accrued in One thousand Six hundred Ninety, and One thousand Six hundred Ninety-one: That in One thousand Six hundred Ninety-five, the Parliament made Provision for paying 5 *l.* per centum Interest for the *Irish* Transport Debt, of which the Petitioners was Part, and they hoped to have had the Benefit thereof; but it is alleged, that the said Act only has respect to the *English* Transports; and the Petitioners cannot have Debentures for their said Debts, because the Act does not warrant the same, although Interest was to be paid for 330,769 *l.* which exceeds the whole Debt for the said Service, including the Petitioners, as the late Commissioners for Transports have certified: And praying, That, in the Bill for taking the Accounts of the Army, Navy, and Transport Service, now depending in this House, a Clause may be admitted, to enable the Commissioners to state and determine the Petitioners Accounts, in order to their effectual Relief.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report of the said Bill be made.

*Ordered*, That the late Commissioners of Transports do lay before this House, To-morrow Morning, a State of the Debt, claimed by the Owners of the *Dutch* Transport Ships employed for the Reducing of *Ireland*.

Attaining  
the Pre-  
tender.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* was committed, the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House: And he read the same in his Place; and afterwards delivered . . . in at the Clerk's Table: Where they were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

And another Amendment was made, by the House, to the Bill.

*Ordered Nemine contradicente*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of the Supply to be granted to his Majesty, the Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Sum of One hundred Twenty-nine thousand Three hundred and Fourteen Pounds Ten Shillings and Three-pence be allowed for the Ordinary of the Navy for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Sum of One hundred Twenty-nine thousand Three hundred and Fourteen Pounds Ten Shillings and Three-pence be allowed for the Ordinary of the Navy for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two.

Publick  
Accounts.

A Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House upon the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to oblige the several Accountants to make up their Accounts.

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given, upon the Report of the Bill for reviving the Act for taking the Accounts of the Army, Navy, Transports, and Prizes taken during the late War, to offer a Clause for the taking the Accounts of Mr. *Whitaker*, late Solicitor to the Admiralty.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for

the Security of his Majesty's Person and Government, and for maintaining the Succession of the Crown, according to Two late Acts of Parliament; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time To-morrow Morning, after the Second Reading of the Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors.

The Earl of *Ranelagh* presented to the House several Accounts; containing, Army  
Estimates.

The Numbers and Charge of the Forces already provided, in Part of the Forty thousand Men who are to act as his Majesty's Quota, in Conjunction with the Forces of the Allies.

The Pay of a Regiment of Horse, consisting of Nine Troops of Fifty-nine Men in each Troop: As also,

Of a Regiment of Six Troops, of Fifty-nine Men in each Troop.

A Regiment of Horse, of Nine Troops, of Fifty-nine Men in each Troop, on *Dutch* Pay: As also,

A Regiment of Six Troops, of Fifty-nine Men in each Troop, upon *Dutch* Pay.

The Charge of a Regiment of Dragoons of Eight Troops, of Sixty private Men in each, upon *Dutch* Pay: As also,

Of a Regiment of Dragoons, of Six Troops, of Sixty private Men in each.

The Pay of a Regiment of Dragoons, consisting of Eight Troops, of Sixty private Soldiers in each Troop: As also,

A Regiment of Six Troops, of Sixty private Soldiers in each Troop.

A Regiment of Foot, of Thirteen Companies, of Sixty private Men in each Company, upon *Dutch* Pay: As also,

A Regiment of Twelve Companies, of Fifty-nine private Men in each Company, upon *Dutch* Pay.

The Pay of a Regiment of Foot, consisting of Thirteen Companies, of Sixty Men in each Company: As also,

Of a Regiment of Twelve Companies, of Fifty-nine Men in each.

A Computation of Waggon and Forage.

And the same were read; and are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said several Accounts be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

The Earl of *Ranelagh* also presented to the House the Half-pay Establishment of Half-pay:

And the Title thereof was read.

The Establishment is bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 15° die Januarii;*

13° *Willielmi, Tertii.*

PRAYERS.

MR. *Offley*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for restoring the Harbour of *Rye* to its ancient Goodness, for the Benefit of the Nation: And the same was received.

The

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Debtors  
Petition.

A Petition of above an Hundred decayed Merchants and Tradesmen, Freemen of the City of *London*, now confined for Debt in the Prison of *Ludgate*, in behalf of themselves, and many thousands more who are likewise confined for Debt in the several Gaols of this Kingdom, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, upon the Petition of the now Petitioners to the last House of Commons, setting forth their miserable Circumstances; and a Report from the Committee, to whom the same was referred; Leave was given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt: Which was accordingly brought in; but, by the Shortness of that Session, the Bill did not pass; so that the Petitioners have continued ever since under their dismal Imprisonment, except such as have miserably perished: And praying the House to take their Sufferings into Consideration, and give Leave to bring in a Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Mr. *King*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Sir *Tho. Hales*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Ellis*, Mr. *Barrell*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. *Foley*, Lord *Dysert*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Heathcote*, Mr. *Fagg*, Mr. *Austen*, Mr. *Raleigh*, Mr. *Wild*, Mr. *Dolben*, Sir *Jo. Packington*, Mr. *Cholmley*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Yates*, Colonel *Stringer*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Lambton*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Campion*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Weobly  
Election.

A Petition of *Henry Cornwall* Esquire, was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That, since the Teste of the Writ for electing Burgesses to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Weobly*, in the County of *Hereford*, *John Byrch* Esquire, by treating and bribing the Votesmen, and other indirect Means, procured himself to be returned for a Burgess, in Prejudice of the Petitioner, who otherwise would have had a Right to have been returned: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Calne  
Election.

A Petition of *Edward Baynton* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was duly elected to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Calne*, in the County of *Wilts*, and returned by the proper Officer, as usual; but Sir *Charles Hedges*, by indirect practices, procured some of the Burgesses to vote for him at the said Election; who also executed an Indenture, purporting a Return of him; and prevailed with the Sheriff to annex it to the Writ with the said other Indenture; whereby the Petitioner is hindered from sitting in the House, as of Right he ought to do: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Coventry  
Election.

A Petition of several Freemen of the City of *Coventry*, on behalf of themselves, and the greater Number of the Freemen of the said City, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of Citizens to serve in this Parliament for the said City, many Votes were obtained, by indirect Practices, for Mr. *Hopkins* and Mr. *Neale*, who otherwise would have voted for Sir *Christopher Hales*, and Mr. *Gery*; who, notwithstanding had

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the Majority of legal Voters; and they ought to have been returned; but Mr. *Abraham Owen* and Mr. *John Collins* refused to return them, and have made a double Return; and refused to give Sir *Christopher*, and Mr. *Gery*, a Copy of the Poll by which they made the Return, in manifest Violation of the Rights and Privileges of the said City, and the Petitioners: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of Mr. *Bingham* and Mrs. *Dunbar*, was presented to the House, and read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn. Bingham's  
&c. Petition.

A Petition of Colonel *Caufield*, and others, was presented to the House, and read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn. Caufield's  
Petition.

An ingrossed Bill for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, was read the Third time. Attaining  
the Pre-  
tender.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* of High Treason.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Mr. *Harcourt*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for reviving and continuing an Act for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; was committed; the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some Amendments made thereunto, agreed unto by the House: And other Amendments were made, by the House, to the Bill. Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, for the Commissioners to state and determine the Debt due to the Owners of the *Dutch*, and other foreign Owners of Transport Ships employed in the Reduction of *Ireland*: And that they do make out Debentures for Satisfaction of the same:

And the same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for the Commissioners to state and determine the Account of the Cloathing, for the Men respited and disbanded before the Cloathing Contracts could be paid out of the Off-reckonings:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, for the Commissioners to state the Accounts of the Arrears of the *Dutch* Forces upon the *English* Pay; and to issue Debentures, in order to the Satisfaction of the same:

And the same was once read:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, That the Commissioners shall, in the First place, state and determine the Accounts of the Regiments, Troops, and Companies, under the Command of his Majesty's natural-born Subjects; and also what is due to them for Transport Service, and on Account of Prizes:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, for the Commissioners to state the Accounts of Arrears to

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the Aids-de-Camps, to the same time as their General Officers are :

And the same was once read :

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time ;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, requiring the Commissioners to state and examine the Accounts of Mr. *Whitaker*, late Solicitor to the Admiralty ; and to lay their Report, touching the same, before this House, the next Session of Parliament :

And the same was twice read ; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Security of  
King's Per-  
son and Suc-  
cession.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person ; and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line ; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors ; be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Ditto.

*Ordered*, That, immediately after the Second Reading of the said Bill, the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the Security of his Majesty's Person and Government : and for maintaining the Succession of the Crown, according to the Two late Acts of Parliament ; be also read a Second time.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 16° die Januarii ;*

Anno 13° Willielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Pott's, &c.  
Estate.

**A**PETITION of *Samuel Potts, Mary Ballard* Widow, *Anne Beacon* Widow, and *Sir Goddard Nelthorpe*, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That the Petitioners have several great Sums of Money due to them on the Security of certain Lands, called *Albemarle Grounds*, and *Conduit Mead*, in the Parish of *Saint Martin's in the Fields*, amounting to above Twenty thousand Pounds : And that, by reason some other of the Persons who have Incumbrances on the said Premises, are either Executors, Administrators, or Infants, the same cannot be leased to Builders, for the Improvement thereof ; nor sold, for the Payment of the Debts thereupon : And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for enabling Trustees to lett the same Premises to Builders, for the Improvement thereof ; and also to make Sale of the same, for the Payment of the Debts due thereupon.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition : And that *Sir Joseph Tredenham* and *Mr. Pitfield* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Imports and  
Exports.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of the Customs do lay before this House an Account of the Names of all Goods imported and exported, mentioned in the Book of Rates to pay Customs *ad Valorem*.

Produce of  
Customs.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of the Customs do also lay before this House an Account of the gross and net Produce of the Customs, distinguishing the several Branches of them, for the Year ending the Twenty-fifth of December last.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived,

Grants from  
the Crown.

*Ordered*, That an Account be laid before the House of all Grants passed since December One thousand Seven hundred : And that *Mr. Lowndes* do lay the said Account before this House.

*Ordered*, That *Daniel Park* Esquire, and *Mr. Gould*, of *Malmsbury* Election, do attend the House upon the Twenty-ninth Day of January instant, upon the Hearing of the Matter of the Petition touching the Election for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, at the Bar of the House.

*Ordered*, That One of the Clerks of the Council do attend the Committee of Privileges and Elections, this Afternoon, with the Order of Council for issuing the Writs for calling this Parliament, or an attested Copy of it.

*Mr. Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House a general Abstract of the Accounts of the publick Revenues, Taxes, and Monies borrowed, from *Michaelmas* One thousand Seven hundred to *Michaelmas* One thousand Seven hundred and one :

And the Title thereof was read.

The said Abstract is . . . . . with the other Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That the said Abstract do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

*Ordered*, That a Clause be prepared, and brought in, upon the Third Reading of the Bill for reviving and continuing an Act, intituled, An Act for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service ; and also, an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War ; to oblige *Mr. Vandresch*, Paymaster of the *Dutch* Forces, which were upon the *English* Establishment, to make up his Accounts.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Mr. Speaker* left the Chair.

*Mr. Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair.

*Mr. Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions, which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

*Mr. Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 17° die Januarii ;*

Anno 13° Willielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

**O**RDERED, That *Mr. Speaker* do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Exeter*, in the room of *Sir Bartholomew Shower* Knight, deceased.

*Thomas Erle* Esquire, being chosen a Burgess for the Borough of *Portsmouth*, in the County of *Southampton* ; and also for the Borough of *Wareham*, in the County of *Dorset* ; made his Election to serve for the said Borough of *Wareham*.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Speaker* do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Portsmouth*, in the room of the said *Thomas Erle* Esquire.

Sir

Berwick  
Writ.

Sir Francis Blake Knight, being chosen a Knight of the Shire for the County of *Northumberland*; and also a Burgess for the Town of *Berwick upon Tweed*, in the same County; made his Election to serve for the said County.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Town of *Berwick*, in the room of the said Sir Francis Blake Knight.

Bribery at  
Elections.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better preventing of Bribery and Corruption in Elections of Members to serve in Parliament.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to prepare, and bring in, the said Bill:

And it is referred to Sir *Edw. Seymour*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Goring*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Colonel *Colchester*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Bronley*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Comyns*, Lord *Coningsby*, Sir *H. Colt*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Coatsworth*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Coke*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Price*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Gould*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Barrell*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Byrch*, Sir *John Phillips*, Sir *John Mordant*; or any Five of them: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Flint Writ.

Sir Thomas Hammer Baronet, being chosen a Burgess for the Borough of *Thetford*, in the County of *Norfolk*; and also for the Town of *Flint*, in the County of *Flint*; made his Election to serve for the Borough of *Thetford*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Town of *Flint*, in the room of Sir *Tho. Hammer* Baronet.

Disorders in  
Committee  
of Elections.

A Complaint being made to the House, That many Strangers did Yesterday croud into the Committee of Elections, to the Interruption of the Business, and Disturbance, of the said Committee;

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to search Precedents, and consider of Methods to prevent Disorders at the Committee of Elections; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *John Stonehouse*, Sir *Bryan Stapleton*, Mr. *Gorge*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Winnington*, Mr. *Smith*, Sir *William Forester*, Sir *John Bolls*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Sir *Tho. Hammer*, Mr. *Johnson*, Sir *Tho. Poyrs*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Mr. *Pultney*, Mr. *Pagit*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Dormer*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Papillion*, Mr. *Carter*, Lord *Powlet*, Mr. *Pershall*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, who were to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of the Committee, That, of the Eighteen thousand Three hundred and Twenty-eight Men, that are to be raised to make up his Majesty's Quota of Forty thousand Men, to act in Conjunction with the Forces of his Allies, Eight thousand Three hundred and Twenty-eight be his Majesty's natural-born Subjects.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of the Committee, That, of the said Eight thousand Three hundred and Twenty-eight Men, Five thousand be Foot, Two thousand Horse, and One thousand Three hundred and Twenty-eight Dragoons.

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*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, towards raising the said Horse, Foot, and Dragoons, the Regiments in Pay in *England* and *Holland* shall be filled up to the Numbers they were in the late War.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the remaining Ten thousand Men, to complete the Quota of Forty thousand Men, be Foreigners, consisting of Nine thousand One hundred and Eighty-eight Foot, and Eight hundred and Twelve Horse and Dragoons.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Officers of the Ordnance do lay before this House an Estimate of the Charge of the Ordnance for Land Service, for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two. Ordnance  
Estimate.

*Ordered*, That an Account be laid before the House of the several Regiments, Troops, and Companies, now in *Ireland*, and the Number of Soldiers in each Troop and Company. Troops in  
Ireland.

A Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person; and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; was, according to Order, read the Second time. Security of  
King's  
Person and  
Succession.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House upon the said Bill.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the Security of his Majesty's Person and Government; and for maintaining the Succession of the Crown, according to the Two late Acts of Parliament; was, according to Order, read a Second time. Ditto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill do lie upon the Table.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House upon the Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom. Publick  
Accounts.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning next, Nine a Clock.

Lunæ, 19<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

Anno 13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

*ORDERED*, That the Committee, who were to consider of the Laws expiring, and report the same to the House, have Power to report their Opinion, which of the said Laws they conceive fit to be continued. Expiring  
Laws.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, Common Council, and others, Merchants and Traders, of the City of *Exon*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Buying and Selling of Linen Cloth and Canvas, imported from *Germany* and *France*, and of what is made in *England*, has been an advantageous Trade to the said City, and paid great Customs; but, of late great Quantities have been clandestinely run from *France*, and sold at so low Rates, that the fair Trader, who pays Customs, cannot deal therein: And praying, That the House will provide such Remedies as may prevent the like Inconveniences. Linens im-  
ported from  
Germany.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture: And that they do report their Opinion, what they conceive necessary to be done therein.

Mr.



Irish  
Forfeitures.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That Two of the *Irish* Trustees are come to Town, pursuant to the Directions of their own Board, to give an Account of their Proceedings: And that they were come away before the Order of the House, of the Seventh of *January* instant, was come to the Trustees.

Insolvent  
Debtors.

Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the poor Prisoners for Debt was referred, that they had examined the Allegations thereof, and found the same to be true; and had directed him to move, that Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners.

Ordered, That it be re-committed to the same Committee, to report their Opinion to the House upon the said Petition: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Receivers in  
Arrear,  
and their  
Securities.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of the Receivers in Arrear, and under

	£.	s.	d.
On the Second Three Shillings Aid, 1698	2,393	16	0½
On the Poll 1698	3,640	17	5½
On the Duties on Houses	732	13	2
On the Duties on Marriages, &c.	287	1	0

£. 7,054 7 8

Mr. *Augustine Briggs*, late receiver for the County of *Norfolk*: The Names of his Security are, *Edmund Cock*, of the City of *Norwich*, Draper; *John Drake*, of the same, Alderman; and *John Hunton*, of the same, Brewer. This Receiver's Debt was 18,559*l.* 9*s.* 10½*d.*; and

	£.	s.	d.
On the Twelve-pence Aid, 1697	1,521	13	2
On the Three Shilling Aid, 1698	6,907	14	6½
On the Poll, 1698	2,799	2	6
On the Duty on Houses, &c.	4,111	2	11

£. \*15,347 13 1½

*Memorandum*: That *Leonard Blofeild*, of the City of *Norwich*, Gentleman, was joined with the said Mr. *Briggs* for the Receipt of the Duty on Houses, Part of the said Debt.

Mr. *Thomas Cobb* and Mr. *Richard Cobb*, late Receivers for the County of *Southampton*: The Names of their Security are, the Right Honourable his Grace *Charles Duke of Bolton*; Lord *Wm. Poulet*; *John Burrard*, of *Le-*

Prosecution in the Exchequer, with the Names of their Securities: And also,

The Supers upon Collectors, and Deficiencies in several Counties:

And the Titles thereof were read.

And the First Account is as followeth; viz.

*John Mason*, late Receiver for *Cambridgeshire*: The Names of the Security are, Sir *John Conyers*, of *Great Slaughter*, in the County of *Huntington*, Baronet, who has agreed to pay his Proportion; *Robert Appreece*, of *Washingly*, in the said County, Esquire; *John Farrer*, of *Little Gidding*, in the said County, Gentleman; *John Pickering*, of *London*, Silkman; and *Robert Williams*, late of *Bugden*, in the same County, Gentleman, deceased. This Receiver's Debt was 9,791*l.* 0*s.* 1*d.*: But there has been lately paid, by the Security, the Sum of 2,736*l.* 12*s.* 5*d.*; and they have lately undertaken to pay speedily the remaining Debt, which doth consist of the Particulars following:

	£.	s.	d.
On the Second Three Shillings Aid, 1698	2,393	16	0½
On the Poll 1698	3,640	17	5½
On the Duties on Houses	732	13	2
On the Duties on Marriages, &c.	287	1	0

£. 7,054 7 8

the Lands are now conveying to the King's Use, to be sold; which, together, with the usual Allowances made to Receivers, will very near, if not altogether, clear the Remainder of the said Debt, consisting of the Particulars following:

	£.	s.	d.
On the Twelve-pence Aid, 1697	1,521	13	2
On the Three Shilling Aid, 1698	6,907	14	6½
On the Poll, 1698	2,799	2	6
On the Duty on Houses, &c.	4,111	2	11

£. \*15,347 13 1½

*mington*, in the County of *Southampton*, Gentleman, deceased; *William Bishop*, of *Southwamborough*, in the said County, Esquire; *Arnold Squib*, Gentleman; and *John Purdue*, of the City of *Winchester*. These Receivers Debts, by Estimation, the Duplicates being not all returned, do amount, as by the Particulars here under-mentioned; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
On the First Four Shillings Aid, 1692	3,536	18	6
On the Third Three Shillings Aid, 1699	993	0	0
By Estimation, for want of Duplicates, on the Duty on Houses	1,000	0	0
Ditto, on the Duties on Marriages	500	0	0
On the Second Two Shillings Aid, 1700	1,866	0	0

£. 7,895 18 6

*Memorandum*: 3,000*l.* of this Sum of 7,895*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.* is agreed to be paid by the 12th February next; and the Account to be cleared by the First Week in *Easter* Term.

Mr. *Morgan Whitley*, late receiver of *Cheshire* and *North Wales*: The Names of his Security are, Sir *John Manwaring* of *Poover*, in the County of *Chester*, Baronet; Sir *Mich Biddulph*, of *Elmhurst*, in the County of

*Stafford*, Baronet; *Tho. Whitley*, of *Aston*, in the County of *Flint*, Esquire; *Luke Lloyd*, deceased, late of *Brimin*, in the said County of *Flint*; *William Butler*, of *Cornish*, in the same County of *Flint*, Gentleman; *Samuel Lloyd*, of *Place-Waddock*, in the same County, Gentleman. This Receiver's Debt, as stated by the Auditor, amounts to the Sum of 43,226*l.* 18*s.* 7½*d.*; consisting of the Particulars following; viz.

On

\* This Sum is 15,343*l.* 13*s.* 1½*d.* in the original Account; but both that and the Journal are wrong: It should be 15,339*l.* 13*s.* 1½*d.*



	Cheshire.	North Wales.	Receivers in Arrear and their Securities.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	
On the Review of the Poll, 1698 - - - -	7 2 7		
On the Quarterly Poll, 1690 - - - -	175 15 10		
On the Four Shillings Aid, 1693 - - - -	10 8 11		
On the Third Four Shillings Aid, 1695 - - - -	4,555 4 4		
On the Fourth Four Shillings Aid, 1696 - - - -	4,808 3 7½	2,246 5 4½	
On the Duty on Houses for Three Years, to Lady-day 1699 - - - -	4,414 10 2	4,047 18 2	
On the Three Shillings, One Shilling Aids and Subsidies, 1697 - - - -	4,102 0 0½	5,207 13 3	
On the Quarterly Poll, 1698 - - - -	2,792 19 1½	1,330 7 10½	
On the Three Shillings Aid, 1698 - - - -	2,381 19 5	5,593 7 11½	
On the Second Four Shillings Aid, 1694 - - - -	- - - -	1,334 3 3½	
	23,248 4 0½	19,759 15 10½	
On the Duty on Marriages, &c. by Estimation for Four Years - - - -	1,000 0 0	1,000 0 0	
	23,248 4 0½	20,759 15 10½	
Surplus on Accounts of the First and Second Four Shillings Aid - - - -	1,475 2 11	305 18 5	
	22,773 1 1½	20,453 17 5½	

*Memorandum:* That the usual Allowances, Mint Tickets, Supers, and Arrears, upon the several Counties aforesaid, by Estimation, to be deducted from the aforesaid Charge, may reduce the said Sum of 43,226*l.* 18*s.* 7½*d.* to about the Sum of 25,000*l.*

Mr. Thomas Spendelaw, deceased, late Receiver for the County of Stafford: The Names of his Security are, Ralph Sneyd, of Keele, Esquire, in the County of Stafford; John Lawton of the County of Chester, Esquire; Tho. Spendelaw, of Tilly, in the County of Salop, Gentleman; William Rowley, deceased, late of Newcastle, in the said County of Stafford, Gentleman; Peter Spendelaw, of Norbury, Gentleman. This Receiver's Debt was 4,369*l.*;

On the Third Three Shillings Aid, 1699 - - - -	- - - -	1,000 0 0
On the Fourth Three Shillings Aid, 1696 - - - -	- - - -	500 0 0
On the Duties on Houses, by Estimation, Two Years - - - -	- - - -	700 0 0
On Marriages, &c. ditto - - - -	- - - -	500 0 0
On the Second Two Shillings Aid, 1700 - - - -	- - - -	1,680 11 8

*Memorandum:* That the usual Allowances, Supers, and Arrears, by Estimation, to be deducted from the aforesaid Charge, upon the passing this Receiver's Accounts, may reduce the said Sum of 4,380*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* to about 2,000*l.*

Phillip Bearecroft, of the City of Worcester, Esquire, late Receiver General for the County of Worcester: The Names of his Security are John Bearecroft, of Hanbury, in the County of Worcester, Esquire; William Bromley, of Worcester, Esquire; Robert Wilde, of the same Place, Esquire. This Receiver's Debt, as stated by the Auditor, amounts to the Sum hereafter mentioned: £. s. d.

On the Second Four Shillings Aid, 1693 1,322 12 10

On the Second Three Shillings Aid, 1698 - - - -	- - - -	3,397 0 0
On the Third Three Shillings Aid, 1699 - - - -	- - - -	4,897 0 0
On the Second Two Shillings Aid, 1700 - - - -	- - - -	4,646 0 0

4,380 11 8

12,940 0 0

*Memorandum:* There hath been no Account passed for the King's Household since the First Four Shillings Aid, granted in the Year 1692; but, by comparing the Payments upon the subsequent Taxes, to the Year 1698, with the Sum paid in the Year 1692, there appears to be very little remaining in the Receiver's Hands.

On the Third Three Shillings Aid, 1699 - - - -	- - - -	1,383 0 0
On the Second Two Shillings Aid, 1700 - - - -	- - - -	208 0 0

1,591 0 0

but there has been lately paid by him, and Security, the Sum of 1,700*l.*; so there remains of this Debt, on the Third Three Shillings Aid, the Sum of 2,669*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Mr. Thomas Doyley, late Receiver for the County of Monmouth, and of the Duty on Marriages, &c. for the County of Surry: The Names of the Security are, Daniel Barton, of St. Sepulchre's, London, Pewterer; Tho. Joyner, of Fresh Wharfe, London, Merchant; Loyd Doyley, of Lombard Street, Goldsmith; William Kent, of St. Alhallowes in the Wall, London. This Receiver's Security have lately paid the Sum of 1,351*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* and the remaining Debt, is as follows; viz.

£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1,000 0 0	
500 0 0	
700 0 0	
500 0 0	
1,680 11 8	

Mr. Nathanael Molineux, late Receiver of the County of Lancaster: The Names of his Security are, William Molyneux, of Hawkelly, in the said County, Gentleman; Nathan Abraham, of Warrington, in the said County, Gentleman; James Rogers, of Manchester, in the said County, Mercer; William Travis, of Liverpoole, in the said County, Merchant. This Receiver's Debt was 10,500*l.* on the First Four Shillings Aid; and his Lands are now conveying to pay off the Remainder; which is the Sum of 3,737*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.*

Francis Earl of Bradford, Receiver General for his Majesty's Household, stands charged,

£. s. d.	£. s. d.
3,397 0 0	
4,897 0 0	
4,646 0 0	

Mr. William Kent, Receiver for the County of Lancaster: The Names of his Security are, Wm. Andrews, of Aldgate, London, Linen-draper; John Phillips, of St. Sepulchre's, London, Pewterer; Ralph Pearson, of the same, Scrivener; Daniel Barton, of the same. This Receiver's Debt is as hereunder specified:

£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1,383 0 0	
208 0 0	

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>Richard Trégeare</i> Esquire, Receiver for the County of <i>Cornwall</i> , owes, on the } Second Two Shillings Aid, 1700 - - - - - }	354	0	0			
<i>Geo. Howells</i> Esquire, Receiver for the Counties in <i>South Wales</i> , owes, on the } Second Two Shillings Aid, 1700 - - - - - }	476	0	0			
TOTAL - - - - -	£. 80,383	12	5½			

17th Jan. 1701.

*Wm. Lowndes.*

The latter Account is bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That she said Account and Supers do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Improvement of Trade.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners for Trade and Plantation do lay before this House an Account of their Pro-

ceedings for the Improvement of Trade, since their last Account laid before this House.

Sir *Henry Goodrick*, according to Order, presented Ordinance to the House an Estimate of the Charge in the Office of Estimate. Ordinance for Land Service, for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two:

And the Title thereof was read.

	£.	s.	d.
And the Estimate is as followeth; viz.			
For arming 2,000 Horse, 1,328 Dragoons, and 5,000 Foot	15,862	16	0
For Tents for them	2,872	16	0
Ammunition for the Army, consisting of 33,000 Foot, and 7,000 Horse, and the whole Charge of the Train of Artillery, according to the Estimate, amounts to 34,806 <i>l. os. 3 d.</i> ;	19,438	18	6
whereof, for the present supplying and fitting out the said Train	10,630	12	6
The Charge of proper Officers, Ministers, &c. belonging to the said Train	15,000	0	0
The Charge of Horses and Waggons, &c. for the same	2,000	0	0
Contingencies for the same			
For the Ordinary of the Office, comprising Salaries, Rents of the Storehouses, and repairing Storehouses, Barracks, Platforms, Carriages; as likewise the Expence of Gunners Stores in the several Garisons, and keeping the Stores in Repair, and other incident Charges	28,273	13	9
For 200 Ton of Saltpetre for supplying the Stores	10,400	0	0
	£. 104,478	16	9

*H. Goodrick,*  
*J. Pulteney,*  
*Ja. Lowther,*

*C. Musgrave,*  
*Jon. Charlton,*  
*Wm. Boulter.*

*Ordered*, That the said Estimate do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Commissioners of Accounts.

An ingrossed Bill for reviving and continuing an Act, intituled, An Act for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also, an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for the Commissioners to have Power to state the Accounts of the Marine Regiments:

And the same was twice read:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be read the Third time;

It passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, on behalf of some Officers of the Marines:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be received;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for reviving and continuing an Act, intituled, An Act for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Harcourt* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Martis, 20° die Januarii;

Anno 13° Willielmi Tertii.

## PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the poor Prisoners in the common Gaol for the County of *York* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, that the Petitioners have endured long Imprisonment, under great Hardships, and at the Gaol's Allowance, and Charity of their Friends and Relations, who are grown weary of their Supplies; and the Petitioners must perish, as several have already done, for Want, unless relieved by the House: And praying, That their Condition may be considered; and that a Bill may be brought in for the Petitioners Discharge.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report be made from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Merchants and Tradesmen, Freemen of the City of *London*, confined for Debt in the Prison of *Ludgate*, in behalf of themselves, and many more, who are likewise confined for Debt in the several Gaols of this Kingdom, was referred.

Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* reported from the Committee, to whom the said Petition was re-committed, That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the House be moved for Leave to bring in a Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt; And that Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* and the Lord *Fairfax* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The



Revenue of  
Customs, &c.

They were called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House their Return to the Two Orders of the 16th Instant in the Papers following; viz.

The Receiver General, of the Customs his Account of the Payments into the Exchequer on the several Branches of the Customs, between *Christmas* 1700, and *Christmas* 1701:

The Comptroller General of the Customs his Account of the gross Produce in the Port of *London*, between *Christmas* 1700, and *Christmas* 1701:

An Account of all Goods imported from *India*, not rated in the Book of Rates:

An Account of Goods imported from other Places, besides *India*, not rated in the Book of Rates:

An Account of Goods exported from this Kingdom, not rated in the Book of Rates.

And then they withdrew.

And the Titles of the said Accounts were read.

And the said Return, and Two First Accounts, are as follow; viz.

The Return.

To the Honourable the Commons of *England*, in Parliament assembled:

IN Obedience to an Order of this Honourable House, of the 16th Instant, requiring the Commissioners of the Customs to lay before this House an Account of the Names of all Goods imported and exported, mentioned in the Book of Rates to pay Custom *ad Valorem*; we have caused to be extracted, out of the Collectors Books, the Names of such Goods, which, for not being mentioned in the Book of Rates, have been admitted to pay Duty, according to the Value sworn by the particular Importers on their respective Entries; which is what, we humbly presume, may answer the Intention of the House in that Order: Which Extracts are digested, by Alphabets, in Three Accounts hereunto annexed, for easier Observation; viz.

1. An Account of Goods imported from *India*, not rated in the Book of Rates:

2. An Account of Goods imported from other Places, besides *India*, not rated in the Book of Rates:

3. An Account of Goods exported from this Kingdom, not rated in the Book of Rates.

And, in further Obedience to another Order of this Honourable House, of the same Date, requiring an Account of the gross and net Produce of the Customs, distinguishing the several Branches of them, for the Year ending the 25th of December last; we have caused the Receiver General of the Customs to draw out, in an Account hereunto annexed, the total Payments into the Exchequer, as well from the Receipts of the Out Ports, as in *London*, on the several Branches under our Management, between *Christmas* 1700, and *Christmas* 1701: But we crave Leave to observe, That the Account of the total gross Produce cannot be yet completed to *Christmas*, the Books from the Out Ports, for the last Quarter, being not yet sent up; but we will take care to get them in as soon as possible: In the mean while, we have annexed an Account of the gross Produce of the Port of *London*, in the said Year, as it is laid before us by the Comptroller General of the Customs: On which last Account, we must, nevertheless, observe, that the *East-India* Company's having a Privilege to take out Bills at Sight on their Entries, and the Collector being not chargeable with a determinate Sum till those Entries are perfected, there may be several Ships standing out, the Duties whereof, with regard to the Importation, ought to be reckoned within the gross Produce of that Year; but cannot yet be brought to a regular Account till the Sights are perfected; which happens to be the Case every Year.

All which is humbly submitted.

Ben. Overton, C. Godolphin,  
Sam. Clark, T. Newport,  
A. Maynwaring, Will. Culliford.

An Abstract of the Payments into the Exchequer on the following Duties, from the 25 December 1700, exclusive, to the 25 December 1701, inclusive; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
Arrear of Customs	9,876	11	2½
Customs	412,128	11	2½
Arrear of Imp <sup>o</sup> . 90. Silk, &c.	182,872	9	2½
Imp <sup>o</sup> . 90. Silk, &c.	20,277	18	8½
Arrear of Imp <sup>o</sup> . Wine and Vinegar	190,832	3	3½
Impost Wine and Vinegar	6,659	9	9½
Arrear of Imp <sup>o</sup> . Tobacco	121,256	3	4½
Impost Tobacco	432	16	0
Additional Impositions	56,101	11	1½
Coffee, &c. for Transports	10,605	19	11½
Scotch Linen, &c.	21,347	3	5½
French Duty 2d 25 per Cent.	67,659	4	3
Tonage on French Ships	491	3	10
Tonage on English Ships	105	9	5½
New Duty on Coffee, Tea, &c.	10,756	19	7
Enumerated Duties	1,919	3	8½
Arrear of new Subsidy	7,150	0	0
New Subsidy	312,704	18	5½
Coals and Culm	148,081	18	10½
Cinders	709	9	10½
Additional Imp <sup>o</sup> . on <i>India</i> wrought Silk, &c.	7,188	11	11
15 per Cent. on <i>India</i> wrought Silks, Muslins, &c.	19,312	16	9
Coinage Duty	10,739	2	11½
4½ per Cent.	18,425	4	10
Impost on Paper	47	2	8½
Impost on Leather	127	11	5½
	£. 1,037,809	13	0

Hen. Ferne, Receiver General.

The

The said Comptroller's Account of the Gross Receipt of the Customs in the Port of *London*, for the Year ended at *Christmas* 1701.

										Gross Receipt in Money and Bonds.		
										£.	s.	d.
Old Customs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	620,195	1	10
New Subsidy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	398,658	16	3½
Imp <sup>o</sup> on Poundage-Goods to <i>Michaelmas</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	301,015	16	4½
Ditto since	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33,372	15	4
Imp <sup>o</sup> on Wine, &c. to <i>Michaelmas</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	167,073	15	8½
Ditto since	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,228	9	10½
Imp <sup>o</sup> on Tobacco, &c. to <i>Michaelmas</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	256,434	2	6½
Ditto since	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,344	6	3
Additional Impost on Poundage-Goods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	63,255	4	9½
Transport on Duties expired 1st May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,681	10	5½
New Duty on Coffee, &c. since	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,633	11	0½
Imp <sup>o</sup> on <i>Scotch</i> Linen, and Whale Fins	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19,461	16	1
<i>French</i> Duty 2d 25 per Cent. and per Ton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	56,562	17	3
Impost on <i>India</i> wrought Silk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,669	10	5
On Muslins 15 per Cent	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	118,030	1	0
<i>French</i> Tonnage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	223	10	0
Coals and Culm	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	96,115	13	2½
										£.	2,181,956	18 5½

R. Holt, Comptroller General.

The other Three Accounts are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

The Lord *Coningsby* presented to the House a List Forces in and Numbers of the Forces upon the Establishment of *Ireland*, commencing the 1st of August 1701.

And the said List was read; and is as followeth; viz.

REGIMENTS IN IRELAND.								Troops and Companies.	Private Men in each.	Commission Officers.	Non-Commission Officers.	Private Men, in all.	Together.
H O R S E.													
Colonel <i>Harvey's</i> Regiment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	36	26	19	216	261
Earl of <i>Arran's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	36	26	19	216	261
Brigadier <i>Langston's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	36	26	19	216	261
Late Earl of <i>Macclesfield's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	36	26	19	216	261
Total of the Horse	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24		104	76	864	1,044
D R A G O O N S.													
Earl of <i>Essex's</i> Regiment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	36	26	30	216	272
Colonel <i>Ross's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	36	34	40	288	362
Colonel <i>Echlyn's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	36	26	30	216	272
Colonel <i>Cunningham's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	36	26	30	216	272
Total of Dragoons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26		112	130	936	1,178
F O O T.													
Brigadier <i>Fairfax's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	38	33	51	380	464
Colonel <i>Colenbine's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	38	33	51	380	464
Late Sir <i>John Hanmore's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	38	33	51	380	464
Colonel <i>Tidcomb's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	38	33	51	380	464
Colonel <i>Gustavus Hamilton's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	38	33	51	380	464
Major General <i>Erle's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	38	33	51	380	464
Colonel <i>Brudnall's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	38	33	51	380	464
The Lord <i>Montjoy's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	38	33	51	380	464
The Lord <i>Charlemont's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	38	33	51	380	464
The Earl of <i>Donegal's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	38	33	51	380	464
Total of Foot	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100		330	510	3,800	4,640
Total of HORSE, DRAGOONS, and FOOT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	150		546	716	5,600	6,862



REGIMENTS IN THE WEST INDIES.										Troops and Companies.	Private Men in each.	Commission Officers.	Non-Commission Officers.	Private Men, in all.	Together.
Colonel <i>Brewer's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	60	33	51	600	684
Brigadier <i>Selwyn's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	60	33	51	600	684
Brigadier <i>Tiffin's</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	60	33	51	600	684
Total	{	In the <i>West Indies</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30		99	153	1,800	2,052
		In <i>Ireland</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	150		546	716	5,600
		In all	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	180		645	869	7,400	8,914

Ordered, That the said List do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Ordered, That the said Reports do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

The House being informed, That Two of the *Irish* Trustees attended, according to Order;

They were called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House several Reports from the Trustees, on several Petitions to them referred, with a Schedule of them; and acquainted the House, That they expected other Papers To-morrow, or *Friday*; and hoped they should be ready to give the House Satisfaction in all the Matters desired of them.

And then they withdrew.

The Reports are bound up with the Reports of the last Session.

Sir *Henry Goodrick* presented to the House an Estimate of the Ordnance for a Train of Artillery: And also, Ordinance  
Estimates.

A List of the Officers, &c. to attend the 'Train: And also,

An Estimate of the Charge of Horses for a Train of Artillery: And also,

A Computation of the Ordinary of the Ordnance, for Land Service, for the Year 1702.

And the Titles of the said Estimates were read.

And the Estimates are as follow; viz.

The ESTIMATE of the Ordnance, &c. hereafter mentioned, being to complete a Train of Artillery for his Majesty's Service.

				£.	s.	d.
Brass Ordnance mounted on travelling Carriages complete	{	Saker	-	14	0	0
		3 Pounders	-	16	18	0
Brass Mortar-pieces mounted on Bodies of Carriages	{	of 10 Inches	-	4	0	1
		of 8 Inches	-	6	0	0
Spare travelling Carriages, with Limbers, complete	{	Saker	-	3	0	0
		3 Pounders	-	3	0	0
Spare Bodies of Carriages for Mortar-pieces	{	of 10 Inches	-	1	0	0
		of 8 Inches	-	2	0	0
Spare Limbers	{	Howitzers mounted on travelling Carriages	-	4	0	0
		Spare Carriages for ditto	-	2	0	0
Spare Hind-wheels	{	Saker	-	2	16	0
		3 Pounders	-	2	18	0
Spare Fore-wheels	{	Saker	-	3	16	0
		3 Pounders	-	3	2	0
Spare Extreemes for travelling Carriages	{	Saker	-	2	11	8
		3 Pounders	-	2	12	8
Spare Wheels for	{	Saker	-	3	0	0
		3 Pounders	-	3	16	8
Spare Extreemes for	{	Howitzers	-	2	13	4
		Howitzers	-	2	13	4

Munition for Ordnance, Mortar-pieces, &c.

				Tons.	C.	Q.	l.
Round Shot for	{	Saker	-	5	8	2	at 12 -
		3 Pounders	-				
In Cases filled with Musquet-shot	{	Saker	-	15	3	4	
		3 Pounders	-	10	13	4	
Granado-shells for	{	Howitzers	-	18	15	at 14 -	
			-				
Ladles and Sponges	{	Saker	-	5	6	3	
		3 Pounders	-	3	2		
Cases of Wood	{	Saker	-	1	4		
		3 Pounders	-	1	2		
	{	Ladle Staves	-	1	2		
		Tunnels of Plate	-	2	6		
	{	Hatchets	-	2	0		
		Sheet-lead	-	15	0		

Sic. Orig.

			£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.	
Field Staves for Gunners	60	at	0	17	6		52	10	0	Ordnance
Crows of Iron	20	at	0	10	0		10	0	0	Estimates.
Linch Pins	60 Pr.	at	0	0	8	per Pair	2	0	0	
Spikes	2,500	at	0	0	3		31	5	0	
Forelockkeys	60 P.	at	0	0	1½		0	7	6	
Sledges	4	at	0	2	0		0	8	0	
Field Beds	40	at	0	2	0		4	0	0	
Coins	90	at	0	0	9		3	7	6	
Field Tampeons great	4	at	0	0	9		0	3	0	
Ditto small	26	at	0	0	6		0	13	0	
Heads and Rammers great	8	at	0	0	10		0	6	8	
Ditto small	52	at	0	0	5		1	1	8	
Formers great	2	at	0	0	10		0	1	8	
Small	4	at	0	0	5		0	1	8	
Budge Barrels	15	at	0	2	4		1	15	0	
Baskets	100	at	0	0	6½		2	18	4	
Canvas, Ells	1,500	at	0	0	9		56	5	0	
Paper Royal	15 Reams	at	0	17	0		12	15	0	
Oil	10 Gallons	at	0	4	0		2	0	0	
Starch	30 Pounds	at	0	0	4		0	10	0	
Needles	30 Dozen	at	0	0	1½		0	3	9	
Thread	30 Pounds	at	0	2	4		3	10	0	
Lanterns ordinary	30	at	0	1	8		2	10	0	
Tin	15	at	0	3	8		2	15	0	
Dark	15	at	0	2	9		2	1	3	
Muscovia Lights ordinary	15	at	0	6	6		4	17	6	
Wadhooks	45	at	0	1	9		3	18	9	
Handspikes	60	at	0	0	9		2	5	0	
Powder-horns	60	at	0	0	9		2	5	0	
Priming-irons	60	at	0	0	2½		0	7	6	
Lynstocks, with Cocks	30	at	0	2	6		3	15	0	
Tarpaulins for Guns	30	at	0	9	6		14	5	0	
Aprons of Lead	30	at	0	1	0		1	10	0	
Marlyn	150 lb.	at	0	0	5	per lb.	3	2	6	
Twine	25 lb.	at	0	0	8		0	16	8	
Wire	15 lb.	at	0	1	0		0	15	0	
Handscrews	4	at	2	2	6		8	10	0	
Hammers	30	at	0	2	6		3	15	0	
Pincers	30	at	0	2	6		3	15	0	
Brass Scales with Weights of 8 Pile	4	at	2	18	0		11	12	0	
Melting Ladles great	4	at	0	2	6		0	10	0	
Small	4	at	0	0	6		0	2	0	
Nails 40 d.	2,000	at	0	3	4	per C.	3	6	8	
30	2,000	at	0	2	6		2	10	0	
20	4,000	at	0	1	8		3	6	8	
10	4,000	at	0	0	10		1	13	4	
6	5,000	at	0	0	6		1	5	4	
2	10,000	at	0	0	2		1	16	8	
White Rope 4 Inches	1									
3	2									
2½	1									
1½	2									
Tanned Hides	40	at	0	17	0		34	0	0	
Sheep-skins	6 Doz.	at	1	2	0		6	12	0	
Lamb-skins dressed in Oil	5 Doz.	at	1	4	0		6	0	0	
Tilts of Hair	30	at	2	6	0		69	0	0	
Tallow, 4 C. Weight		at	2	10	0		10	0	0	
Grease, 15 Ditto							33	0	0	
Hand Bills	2,000	at	0	2	6		259	0	0	
Shovels	4,000	at	0	1	4		53	6	8	
Spades	4,000	at	0	3	0		750	0	0	
Pickaxes	5,000	at	0	2	6		62	10	0	
Haversacks, Hair	500	at	0	1	0		300	0	0	
Hand-granadoes	6,000	at	0	5	6	per C.	19	5	0	
Fuzees for Ditto	7,000	at	0	0	8		66	13	4	
Large Horseshoes	2,000	at	0	0	10	per M.	9	0	0	
Nails for Ditto	18,000	at	0	3	0		12	0	0	
Knapsacks	80	at	0	16	0		120	0	0	
Brass Kettles	150	at	0	2	9	per Doz.	2	13	8	
Links	500	at	1	15	0		175	0	0	
Hand-mills	100	at	10	16	0		54	0	0	
Padlocks	5						19	0	0	
Iron in Bars	1 Ton						22	0	0	
Rods	1 Ton						1	12	8	
Steel ½ a C. Weight		at	0	0	7	per lb.	12	0	0	
Whipsaws	6	at	2	0	0					

Ordnance Estimates.										£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	
Hand-saws	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	at	0	6	0	1	16	0
Sickles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	150	at	0	1	10	13	15	0
Scythes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	at	0	5	0	25	0	0
Forage-lines	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	at	0	0	10	83	6	8
Slings for Horses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	at	0	14	0	35	0	9
Turnpikes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	at	1	10	0	150	0	0
Tilts of Wadmill	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	at	1	10	0	90	0	0
Pontoons fixed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	at	55	0	0	990	0	0
Carts for Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	at	17	4	0	309	12	0
Harness for Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	108	at	1	5	6	137	14	0
Brass Petards	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	at	12	0	0	72	0	0
Hand-barrows	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	200	at	0	3	6	35	0	0
Pitch	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 Barrels	-	-	-	-	-	7	17	6
Tar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ditto	-	at	1	7	0	5	8	0
Candles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500 lb.	-	at	0	0	5	10	8	4
Lead	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 Tons	-	at	12	0	0	36	0	0
Moulds for Shots	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	at	0	6	0	1	4	0
Nippers for Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	at	0	4	0	0	16	0
Grindstones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	at	0	10	0	2	0	0
Barehides	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	at	7	10	0	75	0	0
Bushel Bags	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	-	at	0	1	8	41	13	4
Ditto Half Bushel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	600	-	at	0	0	10	25	0	0
Sacking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,000 Yards	-	at	0	0	9½	118	15	0
Tarred Thread	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30 Pounds	-	at	0	2	6	3	15	0
Pack Needles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 Gross	-	-	-	-	-	3	12	0
Sacks for Corn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	-	at	0	3	0	15	0	0
Felling-axes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	-	at	0	1	6	1	17	6
Rubstones	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	-	at	0	0	1½	0	12	6
Pickets shod with Iron	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	150	-	at	0	4	6	33	15	0
Harquebus Armour, Three Suits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	at	0	19	0	2	17	0
Wheelbarrows	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	-	at	0	5	0	25	0	0
Waggons, &c. for Carriage.																
Small Carts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	-	at	13	0	0	390	0	0
Forge Waggons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	at	53	0	0	106	0	0
Sling Carts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	at	25	0	0	50	0	0
Gins furnished	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	at	7	0	0	21	0	0
Harness for the Ordnance Waggons, &c.																
Trace Harness	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	119	-	at	1	5	6	151	14	6
Ditto Thrill	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	-	at	Ditto	-	-	73	10	0
Fore-horse Halters	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	-	at	0	4	6	13	10	0
Bit Halters	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	119	-	at	0	3	6	20	16	6
Hemp Halters	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	179	-	at	0	0	6	4	9	6
Car Whips	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	-	at	0	0	6	1	10	0
Harness for Men.																
At 50 to a Set	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	)} Sets.	at	6	5	0	25	0	0
At 30 to a Set	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	)} Sets.	at	3	15	0	37	10	0
At 16 to a Set	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	)} Sets.	at	2	0	0	32	0	0
Spare Horse Harness.																
Trace Harness	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	-	at	1	5	6	31	17	6
Ditto Thrill	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	at	Ditto	-	-	12	15	0
Fore-horse Halters	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	at	0	4	6	2	5	0
Bit Halters	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	-	at	0	3	6	4	7	6
Hemp Halters	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45	-	at	0	0	6	1	2	6
Horse Collars	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	at	0	3	4	1	13	4
Cart Saddles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	at	0	4	0	2	0	0
Ammunition for the Ordnance and Army.																
Corn Powder	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,417 Barrels	-	at	3	10	0	11,959	10	0
Match	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10 Tun	-	at	29	0	0	290	0	0
Musquet Shot	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	147	)} Tuns	at	15	0	0 per Tun	2,475	0	0
Carbine Shot	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	)} Tuns	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pistol Shot	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	)} Tuns	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spare Arms, &c. for the Army.																
Snaphance Musquets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,000	-	at	0	20	0	3,000	0	0
Carbines	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	-	at	0	26	0	650	0	0
Pistols	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500 p.	-	at	0	25	0	625	0	0
Long Pikes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	at	0	4	3	212	10	0
Halberts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	-	at	0	8	0	16	0	0
Bayonets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	300	-	at	0	1	6	22	10	0
Cartouch Boxes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,000	-	at	0	2	4	116	13	4
Granado Pouches	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	300	-	at	0	7	6	112	10	0
Hammer Hatchets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	at	0	2	6	125	0	0
Bandaliers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Colla 3,000	-	at	0	2	0	300	0	0
Flints	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	400,000	-	at	0	10	0 per M.	200	0	0

## Tents for the Officers, &amp;c. of the Train.

		£.	s.	d.	Ordnance Estimates.
Ticken Tents	31	at 8	0	0	248 0 0
French Tents	94	at 1	1	0	98 14 0
Tents for Horsemen	49	at 1	11	0	75 19 0
Stand Polls	286	at 0	0	13	* 178 3 1
Ridge Polls	143				
Tent Pins	3,146	at 0	0	1	13 2 2
Mallets	143	at 0	0	8	† 3 15 4
Flock Beds furnished	49	at 2	1	0	100 9 0
Short Pikes	50	at 0	2	0	5 0 0
Hangers with Belts	300	at 0	5	6	82 10 0
Carbines	300	at 1	6	0	390 0 0
Halberts	8	at 0	8	0	3 4 0
Drums	6	at 1	3	0	6 18 0

## Tools and Materials for the several Artificers.

For the Tinmen					42 0 0
Miners					40 0 0
Smiths					47 0 0
Carpenters					32 10 2
Wheelwrights					19 2 5
Coopers					2 3 6
Collar-makers					35 16 11

## Materials for the Mortar-pieces.

Granado Shells, {9½ 1,000}	87 Tons 10 C.	at 14	0	0	1,225 0 0
Fusees	2,700	at 0	5	6 per Cent.	7 8 6
Fine Powder	120 Barrels	at 3	10	0	420 0 0
Saltpetre	1 C. Weight				5 12 0
Sulphur	50 lb.	at 0	0	9	1 17 6
Venice Turpentine	20 lb.	at 0	0	18	1 10 0
Bees-wax	40 lb.	at 0	0	16	2 13 4
Resin	30 lb.	at 0	0	8	1 0 0
Fine Flax	10 lb.	at 0	0	12	0 10 0
Pitch, one Barrel					1 19 4
Rasps	6	at 0	0	12	0 6 0
Glue	20 lb.	at 0	0	6	0 10 0
Brushes	20	at 0	0	6	0 10 0
Composition Tables	2	at 0	8	0	0 16 0
Glue-kettles	4	at 0	8	0	1 12 0
Cotton-wick	10 lb.	at 0	2	9	1 7 6
Fine Saws	4	at 0	5	0	1 0 0
Paper, Royal	2 Reams	at 0	17	0	1 14 0
Canvas	100 Ells.	at 0	0	9	3 15 0
Tanned Hides	12	at 0	17	0	10 4 0
Brass Scales, with Weights of 6 Piles	2 Sets	at 2	10	0	5 0 0
Packthread	20 lb.	at 0	0	16	1 3 4
Small Mallets	12	at 0	0	8	0 8 0
Ditto large	4	at 0	0	16	0 5 4
Iron Drifts	24	at 0	0	18	1 16 0
Lawn Searces	4	at 0	3	6	0 14 0
Ditto Hair	4	at 0	2	6	0 10 0
Hooks for Granadoes	6 Pair	at 0	0	8	0 4 0
Spare Bolts	2 Dozen				2 8 0
Spare Coins	Ditto				1 4 0
Hand-spikes	Ditto	at 0	0	10	1 0 0
Iron Crows	12	at 0	10	0	6 0 0
Sponges	24	at 0	2	6	3 0 0
Sheep-skins	2 Dozen	at 0	22	0	2 4 0
Hammers	4	at 2	2	6	0 10 0

TOTAL - - £. 34,806 0 3

Office of Ordnance,  
19 January 1701-2.C. Musgrave,  
J. Pulteney,  
Ja. Lowther,  
Jon. Charleton.

## The aforesaid List of the Officers, &amp;c. to attend the Train; viz.

	Pay per Diem.
Colonel	£. s. d.
Major	1 5 0
Comptroller	0 15 0
Four Engineers	1 0 0
Paymaster	2 0 0
One Assistant	0 10 0
Adjutant	0 3 6
	0 6 0

\* This is a Mistake both in the Journal, and original Account: It should be 23 4 9

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Ordnance Estimates.		£.	s.	d.
Chaplain	- - - - -	0	8	0
Commissary of Horse	- - - - -	0	6	0
Master Surgeon	- - - - -	0	5	0
One Assistant	- - - - -	0	3	0
Provost Marshal	- - - - -	0	2	6
Kettle-drummer	- - - - -	0	4	0
Ditto Driver	- - - - -	0	2	0
First Company of Gunners, consisting of				
A Captain	- - - - -	0	10	0
A Lieutenant	- - - - -	0	6	0
Gentleman of the Ordnance	- - - - -	0	4	0
Three Serjeants, at 2s. 6d. each	- - - - -	0	7	6
Three Corporals, at 2s. each	- - - - -	0	6	0
Twenty-five Gunners, at 1s. 6d. each	- - - - -	1	17	6
Twenty-five Matrosses, at 1s. 3d.	- - - - -	1	11	3
Second Company of Gunners, the like				
Fire-master	- - - - -	0	8	0
Two Fireworkers, at 4s. each	- - - - -	0	8	0
Eight Bombardiers, at 2s. each	- - - - -	0	16	0
Commissary of Stores	- - - - -	0	6	0
One Assistant	- - - - -	0	4	0
Two Clerks, at 4s. each	- - - - -	0	8	0
Twelve Conductors, at 2s. 6d. each	- - - - -	1	10	0
Waggon-master	- - - - -	0	8	0
One Assistant	- - - - -	0	3	0
Master Carpenter	- - - - -	0	5	0
One Mate	- - - - -	0	3	0
Eight Carpenters, at 2s. 6d. each	- - - - -	1	0	0
Master Wheelwright	- - - - -	0	4	0
Three Wheelwrights	- - - - -	0	7	6
Master Smith	- - - - -	0	4	0
Two Smiths, at 2s. 6d. each	- - - - -	0	5	0
Master Collar-maker	- - - - -	0	4	0
Two Collar-makers, at 2s. 6d. each	- - - - -	0	5	0
Master Tinman	- - - - -	0	4	0
One Tinsman	- - - - -	0	2	6
A Company of Pioneers, consisting of				
A Captain	- - - - -	0	4	0
Two Serjeants, 2s. each	- - - - -	0	4	0
Twenty Pioneers, 1s. each	- - - - -	1	0	0
A Company of Pontoon Men, consisting of				
A Captain	- - - - -	0	5	0
Two Corporals	- - - - -	0	4	0
Twenty Pontoon Men, at 1s. 6d. each	- - - - -	1	10	0
Quarter-master	- - - - -	0	6	0
Pay per Diem - - - - - 29 2 6				
Pay per Annum - - - - - 10,630 12 0				

C. Musgrave, H. Goodrick, J. Pulteney,  
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The said Estimate of the Charge of Horses for the Train of Artillery, consisting of 34 Pieces of Ordnance, and Ammunition Waggon for 30,000 Men, as is used in the Low Countries.

	Horses.
Fourteen Saker; the First Gun Eleven Horses, and the rest Nine each	128
Four Howitzers, each Nine Horses	36
Sixteen Three Pounders, each Three Horses.	48
Thirty Ammunition Cars, each Two Horses	60
Twenty pontoons; the First Seven Horses, the rest Five each	102
Two Spare Carriages for the Saker, each Five Horses	10
Ditto for the Three Pounders, a Gin and four Pair of Limbers	14
Two Smiths Forges	6
Two Spare Carriages for the pontoons	14
	418

	£.	s.	d.
418 Horses, at One Guilder per Day, for Six Months, amounts to 75,240 Guilders; in Pounds } Sterling makes	6,840	0	0
Ammunition Waggon for the Ordnance.			
For the Fourteen Saker, each Waggon Three Horses	14	42	
For the Four Howitzers	6	18	
For the Sixteen Three Pounders	8	24	
Ammunition Waggon for the Infantry :			
Laden with Powder, Ball, Match, and Flints, each Three Horses	45	135	
With Hand Granadoes fixed	5	15	
With Spades, Shovels, Pick-axes, Hoes, and Felling-axes	10	30	
With the Church Tent, Picket, Guard Tents, Coals	3	9	



	Waggons.	Horses.
With Nails, Plank, Uphers, Copper-plates, and Cordage	4	12
With Baggage Waggons	30	90
	<u>125</u>	<u>375</u>

	£.	s.	d.
125 Waggons, each Three Horses, at Three Guilders Six Stivers per Diem, for Six Months, amounts	6,913	0	0
to 76,050 Guilders; in Pounds Sterling, makes	-	-	-
Total of the Cannon Horses	6,840	0	0
For Horses to be kept during the Winter	2,247	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>£. 16,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

A Computation of the ordinary Charge of the Office of Ordnance for Land Service, for the Year 1702.

Allowances and Wages to the Master General, principal Officers, Storekeepers, Engineers, Clerks, Labourers, Gunners, Fire-masters, Fire-workers, Bombardiers, &c. daily attendant, and employed, in the Office at the <i>Tower, Berwick, Carlisle, Chatham, Chester, Gravesend, Greenwich, Guernsey, Portsmouth, Sheerness, Hull, Jersey, Kingsale, Pendenis, Plymouth, Tilbury, Timmouth, Upnor-Castle, and Windsor</i>	7,566	13	9
Rents of Houses for Officers, Governors, Storekeepers, Clerks, Labourers; and of Storehouses in <i>Goodman's-fields, at Portsmouth, Plymouth, Kinsale, &amp;c.</i>	707	0	0
Repairing Platforms, which are very defective at most of the Forts, Castles, and Garisons, in <i>England</i> ; and making new, and repairing Defects of old, Carriages	5,000	0	0
Repairing Storehouses, Barracks, Bridges, Gates, &c. at the Forts, Castles, and Garisons	3,000	0	0
Furnishing Beds, Bedsteads, and Sheets, and repairing the same, at the Forts, Castles, and Garisons	2,000	0	0
Expence of Ladles, Sponges, Match, petty Emptions, and other Gunners Stores, and Flags, at the Forts, Castles, and Garisons; and supplying the Army with Ammunition for Duty and Exercise	3,000	0	0
Cleaning and repairing Arms, Armour, and other Stores; and keeping the Trains of Artillery in a serviceable Condition	3,000	0	0
Building of Barracks, and erecting new, and repairing the old, Fortifications, at <i>Newfoundland</i> , with the Charge of Officers and Workmen for doing thereof	2,000	0	0
Incident Charges of the Office, for Clerks, Labourers, &c. to take Remains of Stores, either for delivering them into the Custody of a new Officer, or otherwise, at the Forts, Castles, and Garisons; and for Books, Paper, Postage of Letters, &c.	2,000	0	0
	<u>£. 28,273</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>9</u>

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Ordered, That the said Estimates do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Army  
Accounts.

The Earl of *Ramelagh* presented to the House the Numbers and Charge of the Forces, upon the present Establishment in *England*, compared with the Numbers and Charge of the said Troops during the late War, with

the like for the Twelve Battalions in *Holland*: And also, The Numbers and Charge of the Forty thousand Men, consisting of Thirty-three thousand Foot, and Seven thousand Horse and Dragoons, to act in Conjunction with the Forces of the Allies, for making good the Alliances. And the Titles thereof were read: And the said Accounts are as follow:

The said ACCOUNT of the Forces upon the present Establishment in *England*, compared with the Numbers and Charge during the late War.

	Present Establishment.		During the late War.		Difference in	
	Numbers of Men and Officers.	Annual Charge.	Numbers of Men and Officers.	Annual Charge.	Numbers.	Charge.
<b>H O R S E:</b>						
First Troop of Guards	182	£. 16,674 8 4	222	£. 18,645 8 4	40	£. 1,971 0 0
Second Troop of Guards	181	16,546 13 4	221	18,517 13 4	40	1,971 0 0
Third Troop of Guards	181	16,546 13 4	221	18,517 13 4	40	1,971 0 0
Troop of Grenadier Guards	176	10,743 3 4	211	11,746 18 4	35	1,003 15 0
Royal Regiment	337	20,990 10 10	616	33,829 8 4	279	12,838 17 6
Queen's Regiment	335	20,759 7 6	616	33,829 8 4	281	13,070 0 10
Colonel Wood's	223	13,952 2 6	412	22,833 15 10	189	8,881 13 4
Brigadier Windham's	223	13,952 2 6	412	22,833 15 10	189	8,881 13 4
Duke of Schonburg's	223	13,952 2 6	412	22,833 15 10	189	8,881 13 4
	2,061	144,117 4 2	3,343	203,587 17 6	1,282	50,470 13 4
<b>D R A G O O N S:</b>						
Royal Regiment	294	11,096 0 0	589	20,652 18 4	295	9,556 18 4
Queen's Regiment	294	11,096 0 0	589	20,652 18 4	295	9,556 18 4
	588	22,192 0 0	1,178	41,305 16 8	590	10,113 16 8
<b>F O O T:</b>						
First Regiment of Guards	1,747	41,229 15 10	2,567	54,016 19 2	820	12,787 3 4
Coldstream Regiment of Guards	858	20,780 13 4	1,284	27,511 17 6	426	6,731 4 2
Sir Henry Bellasis' Regiment	582	10,518 1 8	928	16,145 3 4	346	5,627 1 8
Major General Churchill's	582	10,518 1 8	928	16,145 3 4	346	5,627 1 8
Late Brigadier Trelawny's	582	10,518 1 8	928	16,145 3 4	346	5,627 1 8
	4,351	93,564 14 2	6,635	120,964 6 8	2,284	36,399 12 6
Foot	2,061	144,117 4 2	3,343	203,587 17 6	1,282	59,470 13 4
Horse	588	22,192 0 0	1,178	41,305 16 8	590	19,113 16 8
Dragoons	7,000	259,873 18 4	11,156	374,858 0 10	4,156	114,984 2 6
<b>TOTAL</b>						
<b>The TWELVE BATTALIONS in Holland:</b>						
The Royal Regiment	1,668	28,463 18 4	1,856	31,712 8 4	188	3,248 10 0
Princess Amie's	834	14,520 18 4	928	16,145 3 4	94	1,624 5 0
Eight Regiments more	6,672	116,167 6 8	7,424	129,161 6 8	752	12,994 0 0
Major General Stewart's Regiment	794	13,669 5 0	928	16,145 3 4	134	2,475 18 4
	9,968	172,821 8 4	11,136	193,164 1 8	1,168	20,342 13 4

The said ACCOUNT of the Numbers and Charge of the Forty thousand Men, to act in Conjunction with the Forces of the Allies, for making good the Alliances; viz.  
The Numbers and Charge of Eighteen Thousand Three hundred and Twenty-eight Subjects, towards making up the said Forty thousand Men.

	Numbers.		Charge per Annum.	
			£.	s. d.
FOOT:				
Twelve Regiments of Foot already in <i>Holland</i> , to consist of 12 Companies, of 59 private Men in a Company	10,008	-	-	-
Six Regiments more to be sent thither, of the like Numbers	5,004	-	-	-
	15,012		251,305	16 11
HORSE:				
One Regiment of Horse, of Nine Troops, of 50 Men in each Troop	536	-	-	-
One Regiment of Horse, of Six Troops, of 50 Men in each Troop	359	-	-	-
Three Regiments more, of the like Numbers	1,077	-	-	-
	1,972		113,803	19 2
DRAGOONS:				
One Regiment of Dragoons, of Eight Troops, of 54 private Men in each	541	-	-	-
Two Regiments more, of Six Troops each, of the like Numbers	814	-	-	-
	1,355		48,817	15 0
	18,339			
			12,000	0 0
			12,000	0 0
			437,927	11 1
For the General and Staff Officers of the said 18,328 Men, including the 6,469 <i>l.</i> 12 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> already allowed for that Service, upon the said Establishment of the Forces now in <i>Holland</i>				
For the Contingencies, including the 6,000 <i>l.</i> already allowed for that Service, upon the said Establishment				
<i>Memorandum:</i> There is no Provision made, in the above Sums, for Forage allowed, during the late War, to the Foot and Dragoons; nor for Waggon-money allowed to each Battalion of Foot; nor for Hospitals and Medicaments.				

For the General and Staff Officers of the said 18,328 Men, including the 6,469*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* already allowed for that Service, upon the said Establishment of the Forces now in *Holland* - - - - -

For the Contingencies, including the 6,000 *l.* already allowed for that Service, upon the said Establishment - - - - -

*Memorandum:* There is no Provision made, in the above Sums, for Forage allowed, during the late War, to the Foot and Dragoons; nor for Waggon-money allowed to each Battalion of Foot; nor for Hospitals and Medicaments.

*Memorandum*: The Six Regiments of Foot to be taken,  
Two out of *England*, Two out of *Scotland*, and Two  
out of *Ireland*:

The Five Regiments of Horse to be taken, Four out of  
*England*, and One out of *Ireland*:

And the Three Regiments of Dragoons to be taken, Two  
out of *Ireland*, and One out of *Scotland*:

The said several Regiments being now in Pay in the

said Kingdoms; and so ready for immediate Ser-  
vice.

But, in regard the Regiments in *Scotland* must be re-  
placed by other Regiments, to be raised for that  
Kingdom; and that all the above Regiments of Horse  
and Dragoons, from *England* and *Ireland*, are to be  
completed to the aforesaid Numbers; Levy-money  
will be wanting for this Service, as follows:

	£.	s.	d.
For the Regiment of Dragoons from <i>Scotland</i> , consisting of 324 private Men, at 15 <i>l.</i> each, for Man and Horse - - - - -	4,860	0	0
For the Two Regiments of Foot from <i>Scotland</i> , each consisting of 708 private Men; in all, 1,416; at 3 <i>l.</i> a Man - - - - -	4,248	0	0
For 180 Men to be added to the Regiment of Horse, of Nine Troops, to complete them from 30 to 50 in each; at 20 <i>l.</i> each Man and Horse - - - - -	3,600	0	0
For completing the Three other Regiments, to be taken out of <i>England</i> , being 120 Men in each Regiment; in all, for the Three Regiments, 360 Men, at the same Allowance - - - - -	7,200	0	0
For the Regiment of Horse from <i>Ireland</i> , to complete them from 36 to 50 Men in each Troop; 84 Men, at the same Allowance - - - - -	1,680	0	0
For 252 Men to be added to the Two Regiments of Dragoons from <i>Ireland</i> , to complete them from 36 to 50 Men in each Troop; at 15 <i>l.</i> each Man and Horse - - - - -	3,780	0	0
For 208 Men to be added to each of the Two Regiments of Foot from <i>England</i> , to complete them to the Number of the Regiments in <i>Holland</i> ; at 3 <i>l.</i> a Man - - - - -	1,248	0	0
For 328 Men to be added to each of the Two Regiments of Foot from <i>Ireland</i> , to complete them up to the same Numbers; at 3 <i>l.</i> a Man - - - - -	1,968	0	0

Charge of the Levy-money - - - - -	28,584	0	0
The Charge of the said 18,328 Subjects, with the General Officers, and Contingencies afore- said - - - - -	437,927	11	1

TOTAL - - - £. 466,511 11 1

The Numbers and Charge of the 27,872 Foreigners to make up 40,000 Men;

D A N E S:		Numbers.	Charge per Annum.
Four Regiments of Horse - - - - -		1,760	
Six Regiments of Foot - - - - -		4,376	
		6,136	
The Charge of which, including 400,000 Guilders for Subsidies to the King of <i>Denmark</i> , comes to - - -			135,637 2 6
P R U S S I A N S:			
One Regiment of Horse - - - - -		410	
Three Regiments of Foot - - - - -		2,112	
			44,901 7 6
H E S S I A N S:			
One Regiment of Horse - - - - -		320	
One Regiment of Dragoons - - - - -		370	
Three Regiments of Foot - - - - -		2,324	
		3,014	
The Charge of which, including 140,000 Guilders, Subsidies to the Landgrave, comes to -			70,976 18 6
The Charge of 10,000 Men more, to be provided, whereof 812 to be Horse and Dragoons, and 9,188 Foot, computed according to the above Rates, and including therein 400,000 Guilders, for the more speedy obtaining the same, comes to - - -			196,892 12 6
General Officers for the foreign Troops - - - - -			10,000 0 0
Charge of the 21,672 Foreigners - - - - -			478,408 1 0
Charge of the 18,328 Subjects - - - - -			466,511 11 1
Bread Waggon for 40,000 Men - - - - -			20,000 0 0
TOTAL - - -			£. 964,919 12 1

Ordered,

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Malden  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Malden*, in the County of *Essex*, be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Hertford  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Hertford*, in the County of *Hertford*, be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Expiring  
Laws.

Sir *John Bolles* reported from the Committee, to whom it was referred to consider what Laws are near expiring, and fit to be continued, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Act, made in the Sixth and Seventh Years of his present Majesty, intituled An Act for exempting Apothecaries from serving the Offices of Constable, Scavenger, and other Parish and Ward Offices; and from serving upon Juries; which will expire at the End of this present Session of Parliament; be continued.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of the Committee, that the Act, made in the Seventh and Eighth Years of his present Majesty, intituled, An Act, That the solemn Affirmation and Declaration of the People called Quakers shall be accepted, instead of an Oath in the usual Form; which will expire at the End of the next Session of Parliament, after the Two-and-twentieth Day of November next; be continued.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That an Act, made in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of his present Majesty, intituled, An Act for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants, and sending them whither by Law they ought to be sent; which will expire at the End of the next Session of Parliament, after the Twenty-fourth Day of June One thousand Seven hundred and Three; be continued.

The said Resolutions being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That a Bill, or Bills, be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Sir *John Bolles* do prepare, and bring in the said Bill, or Bills.

Publication  
of Libels.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to consider of Methods for preventing Libels and scandalous Papers; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Sir *John Molesworth*, Sir *John Holland*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Winington*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Birch*, Lord *Couingsby*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Mr. *Gorge*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Lord *Disert*, Mr. *Blathwaite*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Ger. Elwes*, Sir *John Mordaunt*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Coke*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Cha. Shuckborough*, Sir *Tho. Hammore*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Price*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Foley*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Mr. *St. Loo*, Lord *Spencer*, Mr. *Ashley*, Mr. *Grevill*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Curzon*, Serjeant *Whitacre*, Mr. *Clark*, Sir *Wm. Thomas*, Mr. *Colchester*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Pagitt*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Dudley*, Mr. *Nicholas*, Mr. *Bierley*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Stonehouse*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And they have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

A Person to  
be examined  
concerning  
them.

*Ordered*, That *William Fuller* be brought to the Bar of this House, to be examined concerning the Libels he has written; and how he has been supported and maintained.

*Ordered*, That the said *William Fuller* be brought to

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the Bar of this House To-morrow Morning: And that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Warden of the *Fleet* for that Purpose.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis*, 22<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

Anno 13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

**A**PETITION of *John Purchase*, of *Taunton*, in the County of *Somerset*, Wool Merchant, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That he has found out a Method to prevent the growing Evil of exporting Wool: And praying, That his Proposal may be received by a Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture; and to consider of the best Methods of regulating and improving the same.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to consider of the *Greenland* Trade; and of Methods for the Improvement of it, for the Good of *England*: *Trade.*

And it is referred to Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, Mr. *Topham*, Mr. *Weld*, Mr. *Pitfield*, Mr. *Monckton*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Blathwaite*, Mr. *Cocks*, Sir *Tho. Davall*, Mr. *Carr*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Dolben*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Paice*, Mr. *St. Loe*, Mr. *Moore*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Lord *Chenue*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Fagg*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Owen*; and all the Merchants of the House; and all that serve for the Cinque Ports: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of the Grants passed since December One thousand Seven hundred. *Grants from the Crown.*

And the Title thereof was read:

And the said Account is as followeth; *viz.*

April 1701.

A Grant unto *John Farrar* the younger, and *Edw. Farrar*, of the Estate of *John Mason*, late Receiver General of the Taxes for the County of *Cambridge*, and Isle of *Ely*, in Trust for the Benefit of the Purchasers thereof; the said Estate being seized into his Majesty's Hands for the Sum of 9,791 *l.* 0 *s.* 1 *d.* owing to the King on the said *Mason's* Accounts: This, in Consideration of the said *Mason's* Security having entered into new Bonds to his Majesty, for the Payment of the said Debt.

A Grant unto *Earnest Henry Ittersome* Esquire, late One of the Equerries to the King, of a Pension of 120 *l.* per Annum, payable at the Exchequer, during his Majesty's Pleasure.

A Grant unto Dr. *John Wallis* and *Wm. Blencow*, and the Survivor of them, of 100 *l.* per Annum, payable at the Exchequer, during his Majesty's Pleasure; in Consideration of the said Dr. *Wallis's* Instructing of the said Mr. *Blencow* in the Art of Deciphering.

A Lease to *George London* of a Piece of Ground, being Part of the Place called the *Wilderness*, or *Woodwork*, in *St. James's Park*, for the Term of Fifty Years, from the Date, at 6 *s.* 8 *d.* per Annum Rent; with a Clause of Resumption, upon Repaying of the Money he shall expend in the necessary Buildings and Improvements thereon.

May



Grants from  
the Crown.

May 1701,

A Release and Discharge unto *Edward* Earl of *Jersey*, of all Process, Seizures, and Extents, to which an Estate, which his Lordship had lately purchased of *Sir John Crisp*, in the County of *Kent*, may be liable, by reason of any Debts that are, or may be, contracted with the Crown by *Sir Nicolas Crisp*, *John Crisp*, and *Tho. Crisp*, as late or present Collectors of the Customs in the Port of *London*.

June 1701.

A Grant unto *Henry* Earl of *Galloway*, of a Pension of 1,250 *l.* per Annum, payable at the Exchequer, during his Majesty's Pleasure.

A Grant unto *Charles Osborne* Esquire, of a Pension of 200 *l.* per Annum, out of the Revenue of the Post Office, during his Majesty's Pleasure.

A Grant unto *William Young*, of an Annuity of 249 *l.* 3 *s.* 4 *d.* payable at the Exchequer, during his Life; in Consideration of a Surrender of his Interest in certain Offices, Lodges, and Profits, at *Hampton-Court*, amounting to that yearly Value, which he made to his Majesty.

A Warrant, under his Majesty's Sign Manual, for granting unto *Theobald Townson*, and others, for the Use of the Town of *Weymouth*, the Walls and Stones of the old Blockhouse, called *Standfort Castle*; the same to be applied towards the Building or Repairing of the Bridge at *Weymouth*.

A Lease unto *Jasper English*, as an Equivalent for certain Meadow Land, by him surrendered to his Majesty, at *Hampton Court*, of several other small Pieces of Land there, with the House called *The Toy*, for the Term of 71 Years, concurrent with the Interest he has now in the same Premises, by Assignment from the Housekeeper at *Hampton-Court*, at several yearly Rents, amounting to 20 *l.* 10 *s.* 0 *d.* per Annum.

A Grant unto *Samuel Travers* Esquire, his Majesty's Surveyor General, and others, of a small Piece of Ground lying near *Greenwich Hospital*; *habend'* to them, and their Heirs for ever, in Trust, for the Benefit of the said Hospital, at 13 *s.* 4 *d.* per Annum Rent.

A Discharge unto *William* Earl of *Portland* of 1,066 Ounces of gilt Plate, and 5,893 Ounces of white Plate, which he received from his Majesty's Jewel Office, upon his Embassy Extraordinary to *France*.

A Lease unto *Matthew Prior* Esquire, of a small Piece of Ground between the Wall of *St. James's Park* and the House he now lives in, for 45 Years, from the Date, at 6 *s.* 8 *d.* per Annum Rent: This, in Consideration of 300 *l.* paid to *Antony Row* Esquire, the present Fowl-keeper in *St. James's Park* for his Interest in the Premises.

August 1701.

A Discharge unto *Edw.* Earl of *Jersey* of 5,701 Ounces of white Plate, and 1,192 Ounces of gilt Plate, delivered to him out of the Jewel Office, as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary for the Treaty of Peace; as also, of 1,082 Ounces of gilt Plate, received from the said Jewel Office, upon his being sent Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary for the Treaty of Peace.

October 1701.

A Warrant, signed by his Majesty, for granting unto *Maynard* Duke of *Schonberg* and *Leinster*, and the Heirs Males of his Body, 1,000 *l.* per Annum, out of the Revenue of the Post Office, in Addition to his former Allowance of 4,000 *l.* per Annum, payable out of the same Revenue, by virtue of his Majesty's Letters Patents in that behalf, by way of Interest and Reward, until 100,000 *l.* which his Majesty resolved to bestow on *Frederick* Duke of *Schonberg*, Father to the present Duke, for his great Merits and Services, and as a Mark of his Grace and Favour to him, and his Posterity, shall be paid.

November 1701.

A Grant unto *Peter King* and *Thomas Marriott*, and their Heirs, at the Nomination of *Henry* Earl of *Suffolk*, and others, of the Mansion-house called *Audley-End*, Com' *Essex*, with the Park, Lands, and Tenements, thereunto belonging, upon certain Trusts, in the said Grant mentioned: This, in Consideration of a Release made to his Majesty of 20,000 *l.* which remained unsatisfied of

50,000 *l.* agreed, by the late King *Charles* the Second, to be paid to *James* Earl of *Suffolk*, for the Inheritance of the said House and Park, as of a Surrender of the Offices of Housekeeper, Under Housekeeper, and Wardrobe-keeper there, and a Release of all Monies due on Account of Repairs, or for Salary for keeping the same.

A Grant unto *Susanna Parkins*, the Widow of *Sir William Parkins*, executed for Treason, of all the Estate forfeited to his Majesty by the Attainder and Conviction of the said *Sir William*; subject to the Payment of 200 *l.* owing from *Sir William* to *Francis Arundell* Esquire, and 500 *l.* and Interest, owing from him to *William Somerville* Esquire; as also to the Payment of 116 *l.* 3 *s.* 10 *d.* for the Charges his Majesty had been at in finding and seizing the said Estate.

A Grant unto *Rob. Lord Lexington* of 5,893 Ounces of white Plate, and 1,066 Ounces of gilt Plate, delivered to him from the Jewel Office, as one of the Ambassadors Extraordinary and Plenipotentiaries for the Treaty of Peace.

*William Lowndes.*

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Ordered, That the Auditor of the Duchy of *Lancaster* do lay before this House an Account of all Grants in the said Duchy, since the sixth Day of March last.

Grants in  
Duchy of  
Lancaster.

Ordered, That an Account be laid before this House of all the Charges his Majesty has been at in relation to the Treaties made, pursuant to the Addresses and Advice of last Parliament.

Charges in  
pursuance of  
Treaties.

*Sir Joseph Tredenham* presented to the House, according to Order, a Bill for the better preventing Bribery and Corruption in Elections of Members to serve in Parliament.

Bribery at  
Elections.

The Bill was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

Public Ac-  
counts.

The Order, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; being read;

Security of  
King's Person  
and Suc-  
cession.

Resolved, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do take care to make it equally penal to compass or imagine the Death of her Royal Highness the Princess *Anne* of *Denmark*, as it is to compass and imagine the Death of the King's eldest Son and Heir, by the Statute of Twenty-fifth of *Edward* the Third.

The House being informed, That *William Fuller* is brought, according to Order;

Publication  
of Libels,—

Resolved, That this House will, immediately after the Examination of the said *William Fuller*, resolve itself into the said Committee of the whole House.

A Person  
examined  
concerning  
them.

Then *William Fuller* was brought in; and, at the Bar, examined.

And then withdrew.

A Message from the Lords, by *Sir Richard Holford* and *Mr. Pitt*:

Commis-  
sioners of  
Accounts.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for reviving and continuing an Act for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of the Prizes taken during the late War; without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ordered,

Publication  
of Libels—  
Persons  
summoned.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *John Tutchin* be summoned to attend this House immediately.

And he, attending accordingly, was called in to the Bar; and examined.

And then withdrew.

Then *William Fuller* was called in again: And being asked, in what time he would undertake to produce *Thomas Jones* Esquire, and *John Englesfeild* Gentleman; he said, He would do it in Ten Days, having the Protection of the House for them.

And then withdrew.

The said *William Fuller* having undertaken to produce the said *Thomas Jones* Esquire, and *John Englesfeild* Gentleman, in Ten Days time;

*Ordered*, That the said *William Fuller* do produce the said *Thomas Jones* Esquire, and *John Englesfeild* Gentleman, within a Fortnight next: And that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant, or Warrants, for the summoning of them accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the said *Thomas Jones* Esquire, and *John Englesfeild* Gentleman, have the Protection of this House.

*Ordered*, That the said *William Fuller* be remanded to the Prison of the *Fleet*.

Security  
of King's  
Person and  
Succession.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 23° die Januarii;*

Anno 13° Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Hinde's  
Estate.

SIR *Joseph Tredenham*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the enabling Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Houses, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of *St. Martins in the Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for the Payment of the Debts of *John Hinde*, late of *London*, Goldsmith: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon this Day Sevensnight.

Rye  
Harbour.

A Bill for restoring the Harbour of *Rye* to its ancient Goodness, for the Benefit of the Nation, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Offley*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Chr. Wren*, Mr. *Topham*, Mr. *Chandler*, Mr. *Morgan*, Sir *Wm. Phippard*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Hen. Peachy*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Corbet*, Mr. *Newton*, Sir *Tho. Hales*, Mr. *Manly*, Mr. *Coke*, Mr. *Fagg*, Mr. *Gulston*, Sir *Henry Colt*, Mr. *Owen*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Onslow*, Mr. *St. Loo*, Sir *Brian Stapleton*, Mr. *Balch*, Mr. *Pope*, Mr. *Campion*, Sir *John Bolles*, Sir *Wm. Thomas*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Harvey*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Kent* and *Sussex*, and for Sea Port Towns: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Truro Writ.

Sir *William Scawen* Knight, being chosen a Burgess for the Borough of *Truro*, in the County of *Cornwall*; and also for the Borough of *Grampound*, in the same County; made his Election to serve for the Borough of *Grampound*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the

electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Truro*, in the room of the said Sir *William Scawen* Knight.

A Petition of the poor Prisoners, in his Majesty's Gaol at *Stafford*, for Debt, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, notwithstanding they have offered their Creditors all the Satisfaction they can make, yet they unmercifully keep the Petitioners confined in Gaol; where they must perish for Want, if not relieved by the Charity of this House: And praying, That their miserable and deplorable Condition may be taken into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt shall be brought in.

*Ordered*, That the Numbers and Charge of the Forty thousand Men, consisting of Thirty-three thousand Foot, and Seven thousand Horse and Dragoons, to act in Conjunction with the Forces of the Allies, for making good the Alliances; and also, the Numbers and Charge of the Forces upon the present Establishment in *England*, compared with the Numbers and Charge of the said Troops, during the late War; with the like for the Twelve Battalions in *Holland*; which have been presented to the House; be referred to the Consideration of the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the Estimate of the Ordnance for Land Service, for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, and other Papers relating thereunto, which have been presented to the House, be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Pendarvis* and Mr. *Trefusis* be added to the Committee, to whom it is referred to consider of Methods for preventing Libels and scandalous Papers.

Sir *John Bolles*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for reviving the Act, intituled, An Act for exempting Apothecaries from serving the Offices of Constable, Scavenger, and other Parish and Ward Offices; and from serving upon Juries: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Sir *John Bolles* also, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for continuing the Act, intituled, An Act for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants, and sending them whither, by Law, they ought to be sent: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Proprietors of Malt Tickets was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in 1697, the Petitioners lent their Money upon the Credit of the Act for laying a Duty on Malt; and many Persons were thereby paid as far as the Sixty-sixth Payment; and the Petitioners have had great Assurances, that they should also be paid; the late House of Commons having voted, That the paying off and cancelling Exchequer Bills, and Malt Tickets, will be a great Encouragement to Trade, and a Support of the publick Credit: That divers of the said Bills have been counterfeited, and are still liable to the same: And praying, That Provision may be made for Payment of Principal, Interest, and Prizes, due to the Petitioners.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House a Certificate of Money paid into the Exchequer on the Fourth Three Shillings Aid, to the Twenty-first of January 1701, inclusive; And the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

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Counties,

Debtors  
Petition.

Army  
Accounts  
referred.

Publication  
of Libels.

Apothecaries  
exempt from  
Parish  
Offices.

Vagrants.

Creditors on  
Malt Tickets.

Land Tax.

Counties.	Receivers.	The Year's Charge.	Payments.			In Arrear.
		£.	£.	s.	d.	£.
Bedford - - - - -	Hen. Whitbred - - -	20,836	10,100	0	0	10,736
Berks - - - - -	Lau. Ambrose - - -	29,956	15,600	0	0	14,356
Bucks - - - - -	Hugh Horton - - -	34,777	15,500	0	0	19,277
Cambridge - - - -	Tho. Seyliard - - -	23,952	6,000	0	0	17,952
Chester - - - - -	Tho. Lloyd - - - -	20,868	5,000	0	0	15,868
Cornwall - - - - -	Rich. Tregear - - -	23,331	9,000	0	0	14,331
Cumberland - - - -	Tho. Brougham - - -	4,932	1,700	0	0	3,232
Derby - - - - -	Sam. Bradshaw - - -	17,581	8,558	17	7	9,023
Devon - - - - -	Burridge and Wood - -	60,259	17,000	0	0	43,259
Dorset - - - - -	John Derbie - - - -	24,164	12,000	0	0	12,164
Durham, &c. - - - -	Fran. Wivill - - - -	18,349	6,000	0	0	12,349
York - - - - -	The same - - - - -	66,863	21,000	0	0	45,863
Essex - - - - -	Nath. Rich - - - -	66,406	27,854	5	10½	38,552
Gloucester - - - -	Rich. Cocks - - - -	33,457	17,500	0	0	15,957
Hereford - - - - -	Sam. Clark - - - -	14,900	6,000	0	0	8,900
Hertford - - - - -	Robert Peters - - -	31,357	13,000	0	0	18,357
Huntington - - - -	Jeay and Dowse - - -	11,308	6,000	0	0	5,308
Kent - - - - -	Wm. Fausett - - - -	60,887	24,000	0	0	36,887
Lancaster - - - - -	Wm. Kent - - - - -	15,315	6,000	0	0	9,315
Leicester - - - - -	Jarvas Bradgat - - -	25,445	12,636	0	0	12,809
Lincoln - - - - -	Cawthorp and Kent - -	52,702	23,500	0	0	29,202
London and Middlesex	Sir Tho. Cuddon - - -	216,779	78,600	0	0	138,179
Moumouth and South Wales	Geo. Howells - - - -	19,433	5,000	0	0	14,433
Northampton, &c. -	Pen. Mathews - - - -	39,006	24,000	0	0	15,006
Norfolk - - - - -	Mosely and Brown - -	29,590	11,000	0	0	18,590
Norfolk - - - - -	John Ellis - - - - -	32,186	15,000	0	0	17,186
Nottingham - - - -	John Bury - - - - -	19,903	9,000	0	0	10,903
Oxon - - - - -	Sir Rob. Harison - - -	28,643	13,270	0	1	15,373
Salop - - - - -	Geo. Hosier - - - -	21,205	5,200	0	0	6,005
Stafford - - - - -	Wm. Burslem - - - -	19,789	8,000	0	0	11,789
Somerset - - - - -	Cha. Brawne - - - -	53,066	19,977	0	0	33,089
Southampton - - -	Tho. Austen - - - -	40,299	17,800	0	0	22,499
Suffolk - - - - -	Sam. Pacey - - - -	53,864	22,000	0	0	31,864
Surry - - - - -	Child and Nuthall - -	48,899	16,500	0	0	32,399
Sussex - - - - -	Fren. Bromfield - - -	44,384	16,250	0	0	28,134
Warwick - - - - -	John Andrews - - - -	29,088	12,000	0	0	17,088
Worcester - - - - -	Tho. Albert - - - -	24,588	8,000	0	0	16,588
North Wales - - - -	Tho. Lloyd - - - - -	15,594	4,200	0	0	11,394
Brecon, &c. - - - -	Caleb Powle - - - -	4,191	1,500	0	0	2,691
Wilts - - - - -	John Child - - - - -	37,779	15,000	0	0	22,749
King's Household - -	Lord Bradford - - - -	7,797	0	0	0	7,797
		£. 1,443,700	566,246	3	5½	877,453.

*Ordered*, That the said Certificate do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir John Franklyn and Sir Lacon Wm. Child.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, of High Treason, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Attaining the Pre-tender.

Committee.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That all Committees be adjourned;

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The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir Hen. Dutton Colt, } 62.  
Mr. Lowther:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Rowney, } 56.  
Mr. Birch:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 24° die Januarii;*

Anno 13° Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Mayor and Jurats of the Town and Port of *Dover* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, during the late War, many sick and wounded Seamen were quartered on the Petitioners; and a great Debt was thereby contracted, which the Commissioners for sick and wounded Seamen have given in to the House; for want of Payment whereof, the Petitioners are rendered incapable of the like Service, and reduced to great Necessities: And praying, That their Debt may be provided for by the House.

Sick and Wounded Seamen.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Rye  
Harbour.

A Petition of *Robert Earl of Leicester, Philip Earl of Chesterfield, Thomas Earl of Thanet; Sir John Hales, Sir George Pearce, Sir John Shelly, Baronets; Thomas Frewen Esquire; John Stanyeon and John Sharp Gentlemen*; in behalf of themselves, divers Orphans, Widows, and others, Owners and Proprietors of several Thousand Acres of Marsh-land sewing into the River of *Rother*, and Channel of *Appledore*, within the Counties of *Kent* and *Sussex*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, if the Bill depending in the House, for restoring the Harbour of *Rye* to its ancient Goodness, for the Benefit of the Nation, should pass, it will deprive the Petitioners of several Thousand . . . . of Marsh-lands, which they, and their Ancestors, have legally possessed for several Hundred Years past: And praying, That they may be heard, by Counsel, against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

*Ordered*, That the said Petitioners be heard, by their Counsel, by the said Committee, before they do proceed upon the said Bill.

Ditto.

A Petition of *Sir Thomas Roberts, Sir George Chout, Baronets; Sir Nicholas Pelham Knight; Robert Stace, Robert Gibbon, Esquires; Richard Hulse, Thomas Lannier, Luke Spencer, Felix Cadwell, William Bishop, Thomas Frewen, Sam. Plumer, Thomas Holman, Gentlemen*, in behalf of themselves, and others, Commissioners of Sewers for the upper Levels, containing several Thousand Acres of Land sewing into the River *Rother*, and Channel of *Appledore*, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Sussex*; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, if the Bill for restoring the Harbour of *Rye* to its ancient Goodness, for the Benefit of the Nation, should pass into a Law, it will much endanger the Drowning of the said Level; and the Owners will be thereby greatly damaged: And praying, That they may be heard, by their Counsel, before the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

*Ordered*, That the said Petitioners be heard, by their Counsel, by the said Committee, before they do proceed upon the said Bill.

Woollen  
Manufactures.

A Petition of the ancient Company of Woolstaplers, Fellmongers, Manufacturers of Wool, in the City of *London*, and Parts adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by Act of Parliament, made in the First Year of the Reign of King *William* and Queen *Mary*, divers Commissioners were appointed to prevent the Exportation of Wool; who, unknowingly, deputed, for that Purpose, divers necessitous and broken Persons, who committed many violent Actions upon the trading People in the Woollen Manufactures, by seizing Wool bought at common Fairs, as going Home to be manufactured; and Wool brought from adjacent Towns, as going to *London*, to be used there; and seizing Wool passing from Staplers Houses to the Inns, when sold to Clothiers, extorting at least 10 s. per Pack for Passage; all which was proved before the said Commissioners, who discharged such their abusive Officers, who yet lie lurking about, and prey upon the Goods of Traders, upon Pretence that the Wool is carried at undue Hours, contrary to the Act of 13th and 14th *Caroli Secundi*; and thereby seize the same in the Carriers Hands, that keep their constant Stages; to the great Oppression of the Subject, and Prejudice of the Trade of the Woollen Manufactures of *England*: And praying Consideration thereof, and Relief touching the same.

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*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture; and to consider of the best Method of regulating and improving the same: And that the Petitioners be heard, by their Counsel, before the said Committee, to make out the Allegations of the said Petition: And that the Committee have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for Counterfeiting Coin. continuing the Act, made in the Eighth and Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for the better preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom: And that Mr. *Newton* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Bill for reviving an Act, intituled, An Act for exempting Apothecaries from serving the Offices of Constable, Scavenger, and other Parish and Ward Offices; and from serving upon Juries; was, according to Order, read the First time.

Apothecaries  
exempt from  
Parish  
Offices.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a Letter from *William Fuller*: Which he read to the House.

Mr. Speaker  
communicates a  
Letter.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, take into Consideration the Reports from the *Irish* Trustees.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, according to the late Act of Parliament, take into Consideration the Reports from the *Irish* Trustees, which were laid before this House the last Parliament.

A Motion being made, That the House do take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* of High Treason;

Attainting  
the Pre-  
tender.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to search Precedents with relation to the Beginning of Bills of Attainder in either House; and report the same to the House:

Precedents  
respecting  
Bills of  
Attainder.

And it is referred to Sir *Chr. Musgrave, Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Foley, Sir Rich. Onslow, Sir Cha. Hedges, Mr. Curson, Mr. Brewer, Sir John Bolles, Mr. Owen, Mr. Pelham, Mr. Dormer, Mr. Hayes, Sir Edw. Hussey, Mr. Comyns, Lord Coningsby, Lord Wm. Powlet, Mr. Brereton, Mr. Topham, Sir Roger Mostyn, Mr. Jacob, Mr. St. John, Mr. Lloyd, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Moncton, Sir Rowl. Gwyn, Sir Hen. Colt, Mr. Roberts*; and all of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber; and to sit *de die in diem*.

Sir *John Bolles*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for continuing the Act, intituled, An Act, That the solemn Affirmation and Declaration of the People called *Quakers* shall be accepted, instead of an Oath in the usual Form: And the same was received.

Quakers  
Affirmation.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. *Loundes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of several Sums of Money which his Majesty has paid, or is obliged to pay, by the Treaties entered into with the Kings of *Denmark* and *Sweden*, in the Year One thousand Seven hundred and One, according to the Address of the House of Commons, for making Alliances, presented the Twelfth Day of June One thousand Seven hundred and One:

Charges in  
pursuance of  
Treaties.

And the Title thereof was read:

And the Account is as followeth; viz.

Paid

	Rixdollars.	Pounds Sterling, at 4 s. 6 d. each Rixdollar.
Paid on Account of the Subsidies due by the Treaty with <i>Denmark</i> , dated the 3d of December 1696; and by the Treaty with that Crown, dated the 15th of June last	100,000	
More to be paid on the same Account, according to a Vote of the House of Commons of the 20th of February last	100,000	
His Majesty's Half of Two Quarters Subsidy due the 16th of December last, pursuant to the last-mentioned Treaty; with the Agio	79,880	
Levy-money for the <i>Danish</i> Troops received into his Majesty's Pay, according to said Treaty	257,870	
The ordinary Pay of the Troops, from the respective Days of their being taken into his Majesty's Service, to the 31st December 1701	87,596	
For the Transport of the Troops from <i>Gluckstadt</i> to <i>Zwoll</i> , and of the Sick and Baggage from thence to the respective Quarters; with the Demurrage of the Ships; and for Provisions, and other contingent Disbursements for Boat-hire, Expresses, &c.	6,556	
Waggon-money for the General Officers and Officers of the Foot; extraordinary Allowance to the General Officers, and the Horse, while they were marching through the Country of <i>Lunenburgh</i> ; and Forage for the Horse to the 31st of December	8,873	
To Colonel <i>Cadogan</i> , and Mr. <i>Aldersey</i> , his Majesty's Commissaries for receiving the Troops in <i>Holstein</i> , and elsewhere, and to the Deputy Paymaster, for their Pains and Expences in this Service	2,000	
Provision, and other Charges in receiving and paying the Money, and for Remittances to <i>Hamborough</i>	5,800	
Incident Charges in transacting the Treaty at <i>Copenhagen</i> , and upon delivering over the Troops, pursuant thereto	28,636	
Six Months Interest of 700,000 Rixdollars borrowed by his Majesty in <i>Holland</i> for these Services, at 5 <i>l.</i> per Centum per Annum, due in February next	17,500	
<b>Total for the Danes</b>	<b>694,711</b>	<b>156,309 19 6</b>
Paid in <i>Holland</i> , to the King of <i>Sweden</i> , his Majesty's Half of the Sum of 200,000 Rixdollars, upon Account of Succours, pursuant to a Treaty with that Crown, dated, at the <i>Hague</i> , the 7th October 1708	100,000	22,500 0 0
Paid in <i>England</i> , on the same Account of Succours, by Cloth	-	20,000 0 0
Paid, as before, by Gunpowder	-	7,000 0 0
	<b>£.</b>	<b>205,809 19 6</b>

This Account was presented to the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury by *Wm. Blathwait* Esquire, his Majesty Secretary of War.

*Wm. Lowndes.*

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Vagrants.

A Bill for continuing the Act, intituled, An Act for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants, and sending them whither, by Law, they ought to be sent, was read the Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Coke*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Dymock*, Mr. *Moor*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Roamey*, Sir *Robert Jenkinson*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Dyot*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Farrer*, Mr. *Lee*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Mr. *Roberts*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do provide for the more effectual Punishment of idle, vagrant, and disorderly Persons.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they do provide for the better Employment of the Persons committed to Workhouses, and Houses of Correction; and more easily Assessing of the Rates for the County Stock.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, that they do empower the Justices of Peace to name Officers for Extraparochial Places, to put the Laws in Execution relating to Vagabonds, and the Poor, and other public Charges.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for

the Punishment of incorrigible and dangerous Rogues: And that Sir *Robert Clayton* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

*Ordered*, that the Hearing of the Matter touching the Election for the City of *Coventry*, which was begun to be heard on *Wednesday* last, before the Committee of Privileges and Elections, be proceeded in upon *Monday* next, before the said Committee. Coventry Election.

*Ordered*, That the Hearing of the Matter touching the Election for the City of *Norwich*, before the Committee of Privileges and Elections, which was appointed by the House to be upon *Monday* next, do proceed, before the said Committee, next after the Hearing of the Matter touching the Election for the City of *Coventry*; and so the rest of the Causes before the said Committee, in Course, successively. Norwich Election.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* come Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom. Publick Accounts.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; Security of King's Person, and Succession.

*Ordered*,



*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for the Amendment of the Association, with regard to the late King *James*; he being dead.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they do take care, that the Oath mentioned in the Bill shall extend to all Ecclesiastical Persons, and to all Members upon Foundations in the Universities, and all Schoolmasters.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they do take care, that the Oath mentioned in the said Bill shall extend to all Preachers and Teachers in separate Congregations.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the said Committee, upon the said Bill.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Sir *Charles Hedges* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Sir *Charles Hedges* reported from the said Committee, That they have made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill;

An Addition was proposed to be made to the Question, of these Words, "after the Committee of the whole House, upon the Supply granted to his Majesty:"

And the Question being put, That those Words be added to the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Sir <i>Walter Yonge</i> , Mr. <i>White</i> :	} 46.
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Tellers for the Noes,	{ Mr. <i>Coke</i> , Mr. <i>Scobell</i> :	} 61.
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So it passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 26<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;*

Anno 13<sup>o</sup> *Willielmi Tertii*.

#### PRAYERS.

Precedents  
respecting  
Bills of  
Attainder.

**ORDERED**, That the Committee appointed to search Precedents, with relation to the Beginning of Bills of Attainder in either House; and report the same to the House; have Power to search the Journals of the House of Lords; and report to the House what they find therein, with relation to the Beginning of Bills of Attainder, or adding Attainders by Clauses.

Debtors  
Petition.

A Petition of the poor Prisoners for Debt, that lie close confined in the Sheriff's Ward at *Bodmyn*, in the County of *Cornwall*, and in the behalf of many Thousands of their Fellow-sufferers in all the Prisons of this Kingdom, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by inevitable Losses and Misfortunes, by the late War, and Alteration of the Coin, and otherwise, the Petitioners were reduced to Poverty, and thrown into Gaol by their Creditors, who know they are not able to pay their Debts; and yet keep the Petitioners confined in Prison; whereby they are rendered less capable of paying their Creditors; and might be serviceable to the Publick, if they had their Liberty, who otherwise must perish for Want: And praying, That Consideration may be had of their sad and necessitous Condition.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, till the Bill be brought in for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt.

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*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, to make the Statute of 1<sup>o</sup> *Willielmi et Mariæ*, to vest in the Two Universities the Presentation of Benefices belonging to Papists, more effectual: And that Sir *Henry Peachy*, Mr. *Topham*, Mr. *Bromley*, and Mr. *Harcourt*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Vesting  
Papists Pre-  
sentations in  
Universities.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had, this Morning, received another Letter from *William Fuller*: Which he read to the House.

Mr. Speaker  
communicates a  
Letter.

*Ordered*, That the Account of several Sums of Money, which his Majesty has paid, or is obliged to pay, by the Treaties entered into with the Kings of *Denmark* and *Sweden*, in the Year One thousand Seven hundred and One, according to the Address of the House of Commons, for making Alliances, presented the Twelfth Day of June One thousand Seven hundred and One, be referred to the Consideration of the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Charges in  
pursuance of  
Treaties  
referred.

A Petition of *John Haynes* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner has Proposals to offer, which will be of great Benefit to Trade, an Encouragement to the Poor, a Discouragement to our Enemies, and an Augmentation of his Majesty's Revenues, of 150,000*l.* per Annum, without any Prejudice to the Subject: And praying, That he may attend the Committee for the Woollen Manufactures, for the Benefit thereof, with his said Proposals.

Woollen Ma-  
nufactures.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufactures; and to consider of Methods for regulating and improving the same.

*Ordered*, That the Register of the Court of Admiralty do lay before this House a Table of the Fees taken for all Causes and Matters done there.

Admiralty  
Fees.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Supply Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors.

Security of  
King's Person  
and Succession.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Martis, 27<sup>o</sup> die Januarii;

Anno 13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Bridges in  
Highways.

MR. *Farrer*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to explain or alter the Act made in the Two-and-twentieth Year of King *Henry* the Eighth, concerning Repairing and Amending of Bridges in the Highways: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Privilege of a  
Member in  
a Suit.

A Petition of \* *Newell*, and others, being offered to the House; That notwithstanding the Privilege of *Antony Burnaby* Esquire, a Member of this House, the Petitioners may be at Liberty to proceed to a Tryal at Bar, this Term, touching an Estate they are in Suit for;

And the Question being put, That the Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Supply.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, who were to consider of the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

1. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Twelve Battalions of Foot, now in Service in *Holland*, be made to consist of Thirteen Companies in each Regiment.

2. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the said Companies shall be made to consist of Sixty private Men in each Company.

3. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Remainder of the Fifteen thousand Foot shall consist of Thirteen Companies in each Regiment, and Sixty private Men in each Company,

4. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Regiments of Light Horse be recruited to Fifty-nine private Men in each Troop, including Servants.

5. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That there be Three Regiments of Dragoons, consisting One of Eight Troops, and Two of Six Troops, and each Troop of Fifty-four private Men.

6. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Sum of Ten thousand Pounds be allowed for the Pay of the General and Staff Officers of the Eighteen thousand Three hundred Twenty-eight Men, including the Six thousand Four hundred Sixty-nine Pounds Twelve Shillings and Sixpence upon the present Establishment.

7. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Sum of Ten thousand Pounds be allowed for Contingencies for the said Eighteen thousand Three hundred Twenty-eight Men, including the Six thousand Pounds upon the present Establishment.

8. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That there be allowed for Levy-money, to the Dragoons to be recruited, Twelve Pounds each, for Man and Horse.

9. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That there be allowed, for Levy-money, for the Horse to be recruited, Twenty Pounds each, for Man and Horse, exclusive of Servants.

10. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That there be allowed for Levy-money, for the Foot to be recruited, Three Pounds a Man.

11. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven hundred thousand Pounds, be granted to his Majesty, for defraying the Charge of the Forty thousand Men, that are to act in Conjunction with the Forces of his Allies, until the Twenty-fifth of December One thousand Seven hundred and Two.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Twelve Battalions of Foot, now in Service in *Holland*, be made to consist of Thirteen Companies in each Regiment.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by adding, "including Servants:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Resolved, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That the said Companies shall be made to consist of Sixty private Men in each Company, including Servants.

The Third Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by adding, "including Servants:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Resolved, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That the Remainder of the Fifteen thousand Foot shall consist of Thirteen Companies in each Regiment, and Sixty private Men in each Company, including Servants.

The Fourth Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out "Nine;" and inserting "Seven," instead thereof:

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Resolved, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That the Regiments of Light Horse be recruited to Fifty-seven private Men in each Troop, including Servants.

The Fifth Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by adding "including Servants:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Resolved, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution so amended, That there be Three Regiments of Dragoons, consisting One of Eight Troops, and Two of Six Troops; and each Troop of Fifty-four private Men, including Servants.

The Sixth and Seventh Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Eighth Resolution being read a Second time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by adding, "exclusive of Servants:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Resolved, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution so amended, That there be allowed, for Levy-money, to the Dragoons to be recruited, Twelve Pounds each for Man and Horse, exclusive of Servants.

The Ninth Resolution being read a Second time, was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Tenth Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by adding, "exclusive of Servants:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Resolved, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That there be allowed, for Levy-money, for the Foot to be recruited, Three Pounds a Man, exclusive of Servants.

The last Resolution being read a Second time, was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Resolved, That, in the Recruits and Levies now to be made, the Officers now in Half-pay be, in the First Place, employed.

The

Grants in his  
Majesty's  
Duchy of  
Lancaster.

The House being informed, That *John Bennet* Esquire, Auditor of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, attended, according to Order;

He was called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House an Account of all Grants in his Majesty's Duchy of *Lancaster* since the 6th Day of March last.

And then he withdrew.

And the Title of the said Account was read.

And the Account is as followeth; viz.

7th June 1701.

A Patent to *John Morgan* Esquire, of the Office of Steward of the Manors of *White Castle*, *Skenfrith*, and *Grosmont*, in the County of *Monmouth*, during his Majesty's Pleasure.

28th June.

A Patent to *John Coke* Esquire, of the Office of Auditor for the North Parts of the said Duchy, in Reversion, during his Life.

5th August.

A Patent to *Richard Woollaston* Esquire, of the Offices of Steward of the Wapentakes of *Salford* and *West-Derbyshire*; and of Master Forester of *Symon's Wood*, and *Croxtath*, in *Lancashire*, during his Majesty's Pleasure.

17th October.

A Patent to *Thomas Andrews* Esquire, of the Office of Steward of the Manors of *Irchester* and *Rands*, and Hundred of *Higham Ferrers* in *Northamptonshire*, during his Majesty's Pleasure.

Leases renewed:

29th September.

A Lease to Sir *Humphry Edwin* Knight, of the Castle and Lordship of *Ogmore*, &c. in *Glamorganshire*, for 13 Years, in Reversion, to make his Term in being up 31 Years, under the same yearly Rent of 52*l.* 14*s.* 3*d.*

18 December.

A Lease to *Robert Dale*, of an Encroachment by a Shed in *Strand-lane*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for 23 Years, in Reversion, to make his Term in being up 31 Years, under the same yearly Rent of 3*s.* 4*d.*

*Jo. Bennett*, Auditor.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Malden  
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Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to the said Committee, touching the Election for the Borough of *Malden*, in the County of *Essex*; and the Resolution of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place, and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Upon the Petition of *Irby Mountague* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of *John Comyns* Esquire to serve for the said Borough of *Malden*:

That, upon the Poll taken by the Bailiffs, the Numbers were;

For the Sitting Member Mr. *Comyns* - 141

For the Petitioner - - - - 129

That the Right of Election was agreed in the Freemen not receiving Alms or Charity.

And the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That several Persons, who were Freemen, and had a Right to vote in this Election, and did actually vote for the Petitioner, were not put down in the Poll; and also, that the Bailiffs had acted in a partial Manner in favour of the Sitting Member:

That the Persons refused by the Bailiffs to be put down on the Poll, were 30.

And as to these 30 Persons it appeared, by the Evidence of

*William Coe*, and *Ralph Backnall*, That they were all Freemen, and were called over, as such, by the Town Clerk; and voted for the Petitioner: But Three of them did vote for the Petitioner and Mr. *Fitch*; and Two of them voted for the Petitioner and Mr. *Comyns*: The

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Objection, as Mr. *Coe* said, to 24 of them, was, That they had received Corn of the Gift of Mr. *Charles Mountague*, now Lord *Hallifax*; to Four, for receiving Alms; and to Two others; viz. Mr. *Wiseman*, as a Person in Debt, and to *Peter Tilbrook*, because, it was pretended, he had borrowed 5*l.*: But he offered to swear he had not done it; and said, He was promised 20*l.* to vote for Mr. *Comyns*.

And Mr. *William Coe*, being examined, on behalf of the Petitioner, as to the Matter of Distribution of Corn, gave this Account; That, in the Year 1699, several Neighbours did write to Mr. *Mountague*, now Lord *Hallifax*, That, Corn being dear, by reason of the Exportation thereof, there were like to be Tumults in the Town by the poor People; and, in November, he waited upon his Lordship, and told him to the same Effect: Whereupon his Lordship expressed his Willingness to do what was proper for him to do; and gave Orders to dispose of Wheat to the poorer Sort on the *Christmas-day* then following; which he did; and repeated the following April: That he did deliver the Corn without any Distinction, only with respect to the Poverty of the Persons: That he did not consult the Overseers of the Poor, or the Magistrates of the Town, about the Distribution of it; he having been Overseer himself, and knowing the People of the Town; That the whole Quantity was Two Load; which was delivered out by One or Two Bushels to a Man: That he could not say particularly to whom he delivered the Wheat; but, he believes, the whole 24 refused, upon that Account, had not received it: But, he said, He had given none after April 1700: That, after the 30 had polled for Mr. *Mountague*, the Town Clerk asked the Bailiffs, If he should put them down on the Poll; and the Bailiffs were against their being put down; and that, though these were not polled for the Petitioner, some, that had received the Corn and polled for the Sitting Member, were set down now; and 17 that received this Corn, did come to vote at the Election 1700; but there was no Poll, there being no dispute.

That the Petitioner's Counsel also examined as to other Practices: And they called,

*Robert Chadd*: Who said, That he, and Mr. *Gibson*, and Mr. *Cockrell*, being together, *Gibson* desired his Vote for the Sitting Member; and the said *Chadd* answering, He was minded to vote for the Petitioner, Bailiff *Cockrell* bid him make much of his Licence; for he should have no more: However he acknowledged he voted for the Petitioner; and nobody had since demanded his Licence; but the Time for renewing Licences is not yet come.

\* *Richmond* testified, That he had heard Bailiff *Taverner* say, after the Election, That if the Sitting Member had but Six Votes, he would return him: And if they came to a new Election, the Petitioner should not be chosen; for they had made 35 free, and would make it strong enough to carry whom they pleased.

*Lemuel Bradley* said, Some were talking with Bailiff *Taverner*, That the Petitioner would be a Parliament Man; and Mr. *Taverner* said, He should not: He knew a Trick worth Two of that.

That the Counsel for the Sitting Member insisted, That the Persons who had received Corn, were disabled from voting, either as it might be considered to be an Alms, or a corrupt Practice to procure their Votes: And to that Matter they called,

*Thomas Stace*: Who said, That about Two Years ago, Wheat was distributed by Mr. *Coe* and his Man: That he saw 40 come away with it in about Four Hours time; which Wheat was carried away by the Freemen and their Wives: That the Election before the last, some Wheat had been delivered out; viz. to *John Marsh*, Four Bushels; and to *William Norman*, Two Bushels; and that *Marsh* voted for the Petitioner at this Election: That he did not hear Mr. *Coe* say for what Purposes he delivered the Wheat; nor does he know that Wheat was denied to any: But the said *Stace* asked several, viz. *James Hubert*, *William Perkins*, and *Rob. Osborne*, that had received the Wheat,

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Wheat, to be for the Sitting Member; but they refused, saying, They were under Obligations to the Petitioner, having eat his Bread, and drank his Wine; and were bound, in Conscience, to be for him: And *Osborn* said, That Mr. *Mountague* had sent his Wife a Bottle of Sack: That, as to *Robert Dun*, *Jonas Childs*, and *Nehemiah Hitch*, who were refused for the Petitioner, they received Relief of the Parish.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel also insisted, That there were several ill Practices by the Petitioner: And

*Thomas Stace* said, That Mr. *Coe* was an Agent for the Petitioner, and on the Day of the Election got several of the Freemen into his House; Two of which, viz. *Robert Wood*, and *Peter Dilbrook*, who voted for the Petitioner, told the said *Stace*, they were treated at *Coe's* House:

That Nine Publick-houses of Freemen, who would vote for the Petitioner, were taken up, to treat, the *Wednesday* after the Dissolution of the last Parliament; and that the House of a Widow of a Freeman was taken up also on that Account, upon her Brother's engaging to vote for the Petitioner, who otherwise would not have voted for the Petitioner, and did vote for him singly:

That *Stace* was at *Daye's* House, when *Richmond* and *Coe* came in, and bespoke a Supper that Night at his House, for the Parliament was dissolved: And, when *Day* scrupled Promise of his Vote for the Petitioner, *Coe* told him, That they could not treat at his House that Night; for they would treat with none, but such as voted for the Petitioner: That *William Straight* said to *Stace*, That he had promised to vote for the Sitting Member; but *Coe* came and told him, He should not be paid for the Treat at his House unless he voted singly for the Petitioner; which thereupon he did: That *Noakes* confessed to him, He could not vote for the Sitting Member; because he had a Treat at his House; and *Coe* had in-joined him a single Vote for the Petitioner: That there was a Treating also the same *Wednesday* at *Sizer's*, *Cook's*, *Daye's*, *Chadd's*, and *Bartlett's* Houses, who all voted for the Petitioner:

That several of the Voters carried away Drink by Pailfulls, sufficient to serve them a Week, or Fortnight: That he believed, Two or Three of those, who had received Wheat, did vote for Mr. *Fitch*, and Mr. *Comyns*, last Election.

*John Cooke* said, There was Treating at his House, on the Petitioner's Account, by Order of Mr. *Coe*, the same Night the Petitioner came down; and he was directed to draw Drink till about 11 a Clock at Night; for they did not know but the Writ might bear Teste after 12: And his Bill came to between 10 and 11 l.; but he was never asked for his Vote; but voted only for the Petitioner: He is not paid his Money, but expects it from Mr. *Mountague*.

*John Day* said, That the same Day, Mr. *Coe* bespoke a Treat at his House; and it continued till about 11 a Clock: He said, He was to treat all the Freemen in general, and only they; and the Reckoning came to about 7 or 8 l.

*William Wells* said, That the Day before the last Election, *William Coe* gave him 19 s.; whereof Nine was for Two Bushels of Wheat, he having had no Share in the Wheat Two Years ago; and 10 s. was for his Vote at the last Election: And that *Coe* bid him not let anybody know of the 10 s. for it would make the Election void: He voted for the Petitioner.

*Thomas Bramston* said, He was in the Hall during all the time of the Election; and there was not above one Person, that polled for Mr. *Fitch*, and Mr. *Comyns*, objected to.

That the Petitioner's Counsel called, to the Reputation of *William Wells*,

*Thomas Stevens*: Who said, That, the Day before the Election, the said *Wells* having been seen by him to have talked with *Gibson* and *Stace* in Town, when the said *Wells* came from them, *Stevens* asked, What they said? And *Wells* told him, That they would have had the said

*Wells* confess himself to be bribed; and at the same time, he declared, He had no Money.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel produced a Copy of the Order of Council for the issuing out the Writs for this present Parliament, which is dated the 11th of November 1701.

And that upon Consideration of the Evidence, and the Act of Parliament made against Treating, the Committee came to this Resolution; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *John Comyns* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malden*, in the County of *Essex*.

The Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *John Comyns* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malden*, in the County of *Essex*;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Colonel Granville*,  
                                  { *Sir Cha. Barrington*: } 226.

Tellers for the Noes, { *The Lord Spencer*,  
                                  { *Sir Walter Yonge*: } 208.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That it appears to this House, That *William Coe*, Agent to *Irby Mountague* Esquire, hath been guilty of Bribery, and corrupt Practices, in endeavouring to procure a Burgess to be elected for this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Malden*.

Ordered, That the said *William Coe* be, for his said Crime, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Sir Rowland Gwyn* also, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to the Committee, touching the Election for the Borough of *Hertford*, in the County of *Hertford*; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read, and are as follow; viz.

Upon the Petition of *William Monson* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election, and Return, of *Richard Gulston* Esquire to serve for the said Borough of *Hertford*:

That, upon the Poll, there was,

For Mr. <i>Cæsar</i>	-	-	-	452.
For Mr. <i>Gulston</i>	-	-	-	303.
For Mr. <i>Monson</i>	-	-	-	220.

That the Right of Election was the point controverted; the Petitioner's Counsel insisting, That the Right of Election was in the Inhabitants of the Borough, not receiving Alms; the Sitting Member's Counsel insisting, That the Right was as well in the Burgesses or Freemen, as in the Inhabitants.

Another Matter controverted between the said Parties was, Supposing the Freemen to have a Right, how the Persons ought to be qualified, who are made free? The Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That *Hertford* was a Borough by Prescription; and that the First Charter granted to the said Borough was *primo Mariæ*:

Which Charter being produced, and read, at the Instance of the Petitioner's Counsel, it appeared, and is expressed in the said Charter, to be *ad humilem Petitionem Inhabitantium Burgi & Villæ de Hertford*: And Queen *Mary* does thereby grant to the said Inhabitants in these Words: *Quod idem Burgus et Villa de Hertford de cætero sit et erit incorporatum de uno Ballivo et Burgensibus, ac Burgum illum Corpus corporatum et politicum in re, facto, et nomine, de se, imperpetuum facimus, ordinamus, et in plenam erigimus, et creamus, per presentes; et quod Inhabitantes ejusdem Burgi, per Nomen, Ballivi et Burgens. Burgi de Hertford, sunt et erunt Corpus corporatum in re, facto, et nomine, et una Communitas perpetua, habeantque successionem perpetuam*: And

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And then that Charter further grants to the Bailiff and Burgesses Power of choosing into the Office of Burgess, *omnes et singulos quoscunque Viros tenentes et inhabitantes infra dictum Burgum, qui Gubernationi illius forent necessarios.*

They also produced a Charter of King James the First; reciting, That the Borough of *Hertford* is an ancient Borough, and enjoys, by several Names, divers ancient Liberties and Franchises; *tam per diversas Literas Patentes diversorum Progenitorum et Antecessorum nostrum nuper Regum et Reginarum Angliæ, quam ratione diversarum Præscriptionum et Consuetudinum, in eodem Burgo usitatas et habitas:* By which the Mayor and Capital Burgesses have Power to make as many of the Inhabitants of the said Borough, or the Parishes of the Borough, Burgesses, as they shall judge necessary, or for the Profit of the Borough; *Dummodo Burgenses inhabitantes extra Burgum prædictum non excedant, aliquo uno tempore, Numerum trium Personarum.*

They also produced Two Copies of Returns 26 *Edw. I.*; by which it appears, That *Hertford* then sent Burgesses to Parliament; and it is said, That they were elected *per Communitatem Burgensium de Hertford:*

13 *Car. II.* which names 16 Burgesses; and says, That they, *cum omnibus cæteris Inhabitantibus Burgi prædicti, juxta Formam Statuti in hujusmodi Casu editi et provisi, una Voce elegerunt* Two Burgesses.

The said Return was under the Common Seal.

That the Petitioner's Counsel also produced several Admittance of Freemen; *viz.*

One, Anno 1640 - - - of *John King:*  
Another, 1650 - - - of *Adlorde Bowde:*  
Another, 1674 - - - of *Edw. Bentley:*  
Another, 1678 - - - of *Ralph Seabrooke:*

And they all Four run in this Form; That the Mayor and Capital Burgess, *virtute Libertatum et Privilegiorum, quæ Dominus Jacobus, nuper Rex Angliæ, per Literas suas Patentes* to them granted, to receive the said Persons into the Corporation.

That they also produced Four Admittances of another Form; *viz.*

One of - - 1695 - - of *John Barfoot:*  
Another, *eodem Anno* - - of *Tho. Archer:*  
Another, *eodem Anno* - - of *John Grubb:*  
Another - - 1697 - - of *William Barfoot:*

And they Four run in this Form; That the Mayor and Aldermen of the Borough, *virtute Libertatum et Privilegiorum per diversos Reges et Reginas Angliæ, &c,* to them granted, do receive the said Persons into the Corporation.

That they also produced Two Admittances of another Form; *viz.*

One, Anno - - 1700 - - of *Joseph Turray:*  
Another, *eodem Anno* - - of *Rich. Phillips:*

And they Two run in this Form; That the Mayor and Aldermen, *unanimi Assensu,* do receive the said Persons into the Corporation.

That the Petitioner's Counsel, to prove the Usage of the Borough, also called several Witnesses:

*Henry Sweeting*, aged 81 Years: Who said, He had voted for Parliament Men 50 Years ago: And the First time honorary Freemen were admitted was, when *Sir Thomas Feild* and *Sir John Gore* were chose: That he remembered *Sir Tho. Fanshaw* and *Sir William Lemon's* Election before that; and then never heard any voted, that was an honorary Freeman; but, since that time, they have all along been admitted.

*John Hill*, aged above 70 Years, said, He had known *Hertford* 50 Years; and he did not remember any Persons were made free, but the Inhabitants, till within about 40 Years.

*John Hanscomb* said, He served his Time in *Hertford*, and came to live there about 30 Years ago: He said also, He purchased his Freedom; and voted at last Election.

For the Sitting Member it was insisted, That *Hertford* was as well a Corporation by Prescription, as a Borough by Prescription; and that the Right of Election was in

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the Freemen of the Borough in general; and that such Right could not be restrained by any Charter: Hertford Election.

And they produced several Instances, out of an old Town Book, to prove, that Persons living out of the Borough, as well as Inhabitants, had been made free there of; *viz.*

One, of 19 January 1596; by which it appeared, That *John Farnake*, of *Hatfield*, having requested, that he might serve *Hertford* with Beer, and to have Access thereto; it was granted to him, paying 10 s. a Year:

Another Instance, of 14th of March 1598; which is an Order of the Corporation, That the Brewer *Thorogood*, of *Hatfield*, and some others, should be distrained for occupying their Mysteries and Trades, before they had agreed for Freedoms:

Another Instance, 7th May 1600; by which it appears, That *John Cordell*, of *Cheshunt*, common Loader, desired to be admitted a Freeman of *Hertford*; and was admitted and sworn, for to sell Salt and Fish in the time of *Lent*, for a certain Sum agreed on, and paying 12 d. for every Quarter:

Another Instance, of 13 August 1606; by which it appeared, That *Tho. Borcham*, of *Broxborne*, Shoemaker, was admitted a Freeman, paying 26 s. 8 d.:

Another Instance, of 25 November 1612; by which it appears, That *Henry Cockrill*, of *Cheshunt*, did purchase his Freedom.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel also produced several Returns to Parliament; *viz.*

Three of *Car. I.*; by which it appears, that the Mayor, Steward, Assistants, Burgesses, and Town Clerk, did elect:

The Return is under the Common Seal:

And Two other Returns of 13<sup>o</sup> *Car. 2di*; by which it appears, That several Gentlemen joined in these Elections.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel also called several Witnesses to the Usage:

*Sir Henry Chancey*: Who said, He had been Recorder of *Hertford*, and came to live there at *Michaelmas* 1669, and continued there till November 1681; and had attended at every Election, but the Two last: And *Sir Henry* said, That all Freemen, as well those by Redemption, as others, always voted at Elections of Parliament Men: And that *Sir William Cowper*, when he first stood, carried it by those Freemen: And that he found a great many Gentlemen made free before he knew the Town; and believes there were 40 made free in King James's Time.

*Rich. Bridgman* said, He had known *Hertford* ever since 1665, and never knew any honorary Freemen refused or scrupled, though they lived out of Town: That the Petitioner himself has voted for *Sir Wm. Cowper*, though he lived at *Brockborne*: And that the Freemen by Redemption take the same Oath with others: That honorary Freemen do not concern themselves in any other Business of the Town, than Elections.

And that, upon this Evidence, the Committee came to these Resolutions:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Right of electing Members to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *Hertford* is not in such Persons only as are Inhabitants, Housholders of the said Borough, not receiving Alms; and in such Freeman, who, at the time of their Freedom granted to them, were Inhabitants of the said Borough, or of the Parishes thereof.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Right of electing Members to serve in Parliament for the Borough of *Hertford* is in all the Freemen, and also in all the Inhabitants, being Housholders, and not receiving Alms.

These Resolutions being passed, the Counsel were called in, and acquainted with them: And the Counsel for the Petitioner was asked, If he had any thing further to say for his Client? Who answered, That, the Right of Election being thus determined, he had nothing further to offer for his Client.

And thereupon the Committee came to this Resolution;

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*Resolved,*



*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of the Committee, That *Richard Gulston* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Hertford*.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 28° die Januarii;*

Anno 13° *Willielmi Tertii.*

PRAYERS.

Wiredrawers  
Trade.

**ORDERED**, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for continuing and amending the Act, made the Ninth and Tenth Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for settling and adjusting the Proportions of fine Silver and Silk, for the better Making of Silver and Gold Thread; and to prevent the Abuses of Wiredrawers: And that *Mr. Vernon*, *Mr. Hysham*, and *Sir Cha. Bloys*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Quakers  
Affirmation.

A Bill for continuing an Act, intituled, An Act, That the solemn Affirmation and Declaration of the People called Quakers shall be accepted, instead of an Oath in the usual Form, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Lord *Cheine*, *Sir Fran. Massam*, *Mr. Rice*, *Mr. Owen*, *Sir Rich. Cocks*, *Mr. Yates*, *Colonel Colchester*, *Mr. Bridges*, *Mr. Dormer*, *Mr. Johnson*, *Mr. Vernon*, *Sir Tho. Wroth*, *Mr. Hysham*, *Mr. Stringer*, *Mr. Trenchard*, *Mr. Cox*, *Mr. Carter*, *Mr. Gulston*, *Sir John Phillips*, *Mr. Clark*, *Mr. Styles*, *Sir Rich. Onslow*, *Mr. Dolben*, *Mr. Etterick*, *Mr. Grevill*, *Mr. Hayes*, *Mr. Harcourt*, *Sir Hen. Colt*, *Mr. St. Loe*, *Dr. Newton*, *Mr. Mountagu*, *Mr. Offley*, *Mr. Wollaston*, *Mr. Harris*, *Mr. Proby*, *Mr. Papillon*, *Mr. Farrer*, *Mr. Lowther*, *Mr. Stonehouse*, *Mr. Trefusis*, *Mr. Hoblyn*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Water  
Measure of  
Fruit.

A Petition of the Justices of the Peace, and Grand Inquest, at the General Quarter Sessions holden for the County of *Gloucester*, the Thirteenth Day of January One thousand Seven hundred and One, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Inhabitants of Fourteen several Hundreds of the said County have, for many Years, been great Sufferers, for want of a certain Water Bushel, for measuring of Fruit; to the great Discouragement of Planting: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for settling the Water Bushel, for measuring of Fruit; and to reduce the Corn Bushel, within the said County, to a better Regularity.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for regulating the Measure of Fruit: And that *Sir Rich. Cocks*, *Mr. Colchester*, *Mr. Byrch*, and *Mr. Foley*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Apothecaries  
exempt from  
Parish  
Offices.

A Bill for reviving the Act, intituled, An Act for exempting Apothecaries from serving the Offices of Constable, Scavenger, and other Parish and Ward Offices; and from serving upon Juries; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Sir John Bolls*, *Sir Henry Bunbury*, *Mr. Fox*, *Mr. Dudley*, *Mr. Hoblyn*, *Mr. Proby*, *Mr. Owen*, *Sir Edw. Acton*, *Mr. Birch*, *Sir Fran. Massam*, *Mr. Lloyd*, *Mr. Johnson*, *Mr. Dormer*, *Mr. Stonehouse*, *Mr. Yates*, *Sir Brian Stapleton*, *Sir Jo. Stonehouse*, *Mr. Coatsworth*, *Mr. Bierly*, *Mr. Fagg*, *Mr. Chase*, *Mr. Papillon*, *Sir Robert Marsham*, *Mr. Pitfield*, *Mr. Offley*, *Mr. Farrer*, *Mr. Shepherd*, *Mr. Blake*, *Mr. Hayes*, *Mr. Dolben*, *Sir Gerv. Elwes*, *Sir Wm. Gostwick*, *Mr. Mountagu*, *Mr. Dyott*, *Mr. Clark*, *Mr. Price*, *Mr. Carter*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That *Daniel Park* Esquire have Leave to *Malmsbury* have Counsel To-morrow, upon the hearing the Matter Election. touching the Election for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, if he think fit.

*Ordered*, That an Account be laid before this House Arrears of of the Arrears of Customs in the Hands of the Receivers Customs. and Collectors of the Customs: And that *Mr. Lowndes* do lay the said Account before this House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better preventing Bribery at Bribery and Corruption in Elections of Members to serve Elections. in Parliament, be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next.

A Complaint being made to the House, That one *Mrs. Ellen*, who was summoned to attend the Committee of Privileges and Elections, upon the hearing the Matter touching the Election for the City of *Coventry*, has been lately forced away by *Mr. Isaac Ellen*, her Husband, and one *Mr. \* Esser*;

*Ordered*, That the said *Mr. Isaac Ellen* and *Mr. \* Esser* do produce the said *Mrs. Ellen* at the said Committee this Afternoon.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors. Security of King's Person and Succession.

*Mr. Speaker* left the Chair.

*Sir Charles Hedges* took the Chair of the Committee.

*Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair.

*Sir Charles Hedges* reported from the said Committee, That they had considered further of the Bill; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon To-morrow Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned. Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 29° die Januarii;*

Anno 13° *Willielmi Tertii.*

PRAYERS.

**ORDERED**, That *Sir Edw. Hussey*, *Sir John Rye*, *Molesworth*, *Mr. Woodroffe*, *Mr. Randall*, *Mr. Pier-Harbour*, *point*, *Mr. Cha. Bertie*, *Sir John Bland*, *Mr. Rob. Bertie*, *Mr. Renda*, *Mr. Pudsey*, *Mr. Coke*, *Sir Cha. Windham*, *Colonel Bierly*, *Sir Godfrey Copley*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for restoring the Harbour of *Rye* to its ancient Goodness, for the Benefit of the Nation, is committed.

A Petition of the Dean and Canons of the King's free Chapel of *St. George* within his Castle of *Windsor*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That his Majesty, for the Inlargement of *Windsor* Park, and other Accommodations there, has Occasion for divers Parcels of Land belonging to the said Chapel; and that the Petitioners have no Power to convey the same to his Majesty, without the Assistance of an Act of Parliament: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for enabling the Petitioners to take from his Majesty, in Exchange for divers Parcels of Land belonging to them, other Lands and Rents of like Value. Windsor Deanery Estate.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that *Mr. Harcourt*, and *Mr. Topham* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the Crown do attend this Day, at the Hearing of the Matter touching the Election for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, with the Return of Members to this Parliament for the said Borough.

Hinde's  
Estate.

A Petition of *John Brown* and *Thomas Sands* Merchants, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are Assignees of Commissioners of Bankrupt against *John Hinde*, late of *London*, Goldsmith; and conceive themselves much concerned in a Bill depending in the House for enabling Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Houses, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*, for Payment of the said *Hinde's* Debts: And praying to be heard before the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Servants  
Wages.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more easy Recovery of Servants Wages: And that *Sir Edward Hussey* and *Mr. Vernon* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction, That, in preparing the said Bill, they do provide for the punishing idle and disorderly Servants.

Money for  
repairing  
Churches.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more easy Recovery of Monies for Repairing of Churches: And that *Sir Rowland Gwyn* and *Mr. Harcourt* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Bridges in  
Highways.

A Bill to explain and alter the Act, made in the Twenty-second Year of King *Henry* the Eighth, concerning Repairing and Amending of Bridges in the Highways, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to *Mr. Hutton*, *Mr. Arthington*, *Mr. Farrer*, *Mr. Rice*, *Mr. Birch*, *Sir Hen. Colt*, *Sir Fra. Blake*, *Mr. Lake*, *Mr. Coke*, *Mr. Masters*, *Sir John Phillips*, *Mr. Harley*, *Sir Fra. Child*, *Mr. Cox*, *Mr. Clayton*, *Mr. Yates*, *Sir Godf. Copley*, *Mr. Bulkley*, *Mr. Moncton*, *Sir Rich. Cocks*, *Mr. Hayes*, *Mr. Palmer*, *Mr. Hicks*, *Mr. Offley*, *Mr. Bierly*, *Sir Roger Bradshaw*, *Mr. Colchester*, *Sir John Mordant*, *Sir Edw. Turner*, *Mr. Lambton*, *Mr. Blake*, *Mr. Vaughan*, *Sir Row. Gwyn*, *Sir John Pole*, *Mr. Comyns*, *Mr. Stonehouse*, *Mr. Johnson*, *Colonel Kirby*, *Mr. Hysham*, *Mr. Brewer*, *Sir Wm. Drake*, *Mr. Fagg*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Precedents  
respecting  
Bills of  
Attainder.

*Sir Rowland Gwyn* reported from the Committee appointed to search Precedents, with Relation to the Beginning of Bills of Attainder in either House; and also to report to the House what they find therein, with relation to the Beginning of Bills of Attainder, or adding Attainders by Clauses; That they have inspected the Journals of both Houses; and that they find more Bills of Attainder begun in the House of Lords than in the House of Commons; but that they do not find any Instance of any Persons being attainted, by way of Amendment to any Bill made by either House: But they do find, that there is a Proviso added by the Lords in the Bill of Attainder of *Cromwell* Earl of *Essex*, to save the Lands of the Deanry of *Wells*; and, in the Time of the *Dutch* War, in King *Charles* the Second's Time, there was a Bill to attain such Persons as did not come in by a certain Time; and the Lords prolonged the Time as to those that were in the *Streights*, or *America*.

Attaining  
the Pre-  
tender.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* of High Treason, be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday* Morning next: And that the said Report be then taken into Consideration.

Malmsbury  
Election—  
a person  
delivers a  
Sum of  
Money.

The House being informed, That *Mr. William Ady*, of *Malmsbury*, was at the Door, with a Sum of Money, and a Bank Bill, given him in order to the late Election for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*;

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He was called in; and, at the Bar, delivered into the House a Bag of Gold, and a Bank Bill for Two hundred Pounds, which, he said, he had received from *Daniel Park* Esquire.

And then withdrew.

Then the House proceeded, according to Order, to the Hearing of the Matter touching the Election for the Borough of *Malmsbury*: And the Counsel were called in, and heard; and the Witnesses on both Sides were examined.

And then the Counsel withdrew.

*Resolved*, That *Sir Charles Hedges* Knight is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*.

*Resolved*, That *Edward Pouncefort* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Malmsbury*.

*Resolved*, That the Petition of several of the Burgesses and Inhabitants of the Borough of *Malmsbury* is scandalous, false, and vexatious.

*Ordered*, That *James Croone*, One of the said Petitioners, be, for his said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That *Edward Sansum*, one other of the said Petitioners, be, for his said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That *Edward Brown*, one other of the said Petitioners, be, for the said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That *John Waite*, one other of the said Petitioners, be, for the said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That *Joseph Hancock*, the other of the said Petitioners, be, for his said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Then the Counsel were called in; and heard to a Charge upon *Daniel Park* Esquire, in relation to the Election for the said Borough of *Malmsbury*: And the Counsel and Witnesses against and for the said *Mr. Park* were heard.

And then the Counsel withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Candles be brought in.

And they were brought in accordingly.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That *Daniel Park* Esquire is guilty of notorious Bribery and Corruption, in endeavouring to procure himself elected a Burgess in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*.

*Ordered*, That *Daniel Park* Esquire, be, for his said Crime, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Attorney General* do prosecute the said *Daniel Park* Esquire for his said Crime.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That \* *Gould*, Schoolmaster, is guilty of corrupt Practices, in endeavouring to procure an Election of a Burgess for the said Borough of *Malmsbury*.

*Ordered*, That the said \* *Gould*, Schoolmaster, be, for his said Offence, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

The Earl of *Peterborough* having been mentioned in the Evidence given at the Bar in relation to the said Election; and a Debate arising in the House concerning his Lordship; and the House being informed, That his Lordship desired to be admitted to be heard;

*Resolved*, That the Earl of *Peterborough* be admitted in, and heard.

And the Door being opened, his Lordship came in; and came up to the Bar: Where a Chair was set for him a little within the Bar, on the Left-hand as he came up; whereupon his Lordship reposed himself a little while, covered: and then stood up uncovered; and was heard; leaving a Letter from one *Samuel Powell* to his Lordship.

And then withdrew.

Which Letter was read.

And a Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the House do now adjourn till *Saturday* Morning, Nine a Clock;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers

Tellers for the Yeas, {Mr. *Woollaston*, } 76.  
 Tellers for the Noes, {Mr. *Lowther*: }  
 {Mr. *Cesar*, }  
 {Mr. *Gulston*: } 156.

So it passed in the Negative.

Vote con-  
cerning  
Earl of Pe-  
terborough.

Then a Question being proposed, That it appears to this House, That *Charles Earl of Peterborough* is guilty of many indirect Practices, in endeavouring to procure *Daniel Park Esquire* to be elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*;

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, {Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, } 44.  
 {Mr. *Marks*: }

Tellers for the Noes, {Sir *Thomas Wroth*, } 158.  
 {Mr. *Jennens*: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put, That it appears to this House, That *Charles Earl of Peterborough* is guilty of many indirect Practices, in endeavouring to procure *Daniel Park Esquire* to be elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, {Mr. *Manley*, } 141.  
 {Mr. *Vernon*: }

Tellers for the Noes, {Mr. *Molineux*, } 56.  
 {Mr. *Pershall*: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House adjourned till *Saturday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 31° die Januarii;*

Anno 13° *Willielmi, Tertii.*

#### PRAYERS.

Dr. *Smal-*  
*dridge*  
thanked.

**ORDERED**, That the Thanks of this House be given to Dr. *Smalldridge*, for the Sermon by him preached before them Yesterday, at *St. Margaret's Westminster*: And that he be desired to print the same: And that Mr. *Bromley* and Sir *Roger Mostyn* do acquaint him therewith.

Transport  
Debt.

A Petition of the several Proprietors of Debentures for the *Irish Transport Service*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That after long Application, the Parliament granted a Fund for Payment of Interest of the said Debt, at Five per Centum, which expired at *Midsummer* last, and is granted for other Services; whereby the Value of the said Debt is extremely lessened, to the great Damage of the several Proprietors: And praying, That some other Fund may be granted for paying Interest on the said Debentures since *Midsummer* last.

**Ordered**, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Punishing  
Mutiny and  
Desertion.

**Ordered**, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the punishing Officers and Soldiers that shall mutiny or desert in *England* or *Ireland*: And that Major General *Erle*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, and Sir *Henry Bellasys*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Mathew's  
Estate.

A Petition of *William Mathew*, of the City of *Exon*, Gentleman, and *Catharine*, his Wife, on behalf of themselves, and their Children, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner *William* being much in Debt, and his Estate incumbered, he and his said Wife joined in a Conveyance thereof to Trustees to sell

the same, for Payment of the Debts and Incumbrances; and, with the Surplus, to purchase other Lands, for the Use of the Petitioners, and their Children; and the Trustees entered on the Premises; but cannot sell them, upon Pretence of a Bond given by the Petitioner *William*, on his Marriage, for settling a considerable Estate on his Wife and Children; though the said Bond is actually cancelled by her and her Trustees Consent: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the more effectual vesting the said Estate in Trustees, to be sold for the full Value thereof; and that the Purchase-money may be applied pursuant to the Directions of the said Trust.

**Ordered**, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Cox* and Mr. *Birch* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Mr. *Newton*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth and Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for the better preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

**Resolved**, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Friday* Morning next.

**Ordered**, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *Maidstone*, in the County of *Kent*, be made upon this Day *Sevensnight*. Maidstone Election.

A Petition of several Persons, on behalf of themselves, and many others, who advanced the Sum of 564,700 *l.* upon the Credit of the Act of Parliament for laying several Duties upon Stone, Glass, and Earthen-wares, Coals, and Culm, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in the next Session of Parliament, after granting the said Duties, which would have fully discharged the Petitioners, the same was quite taken away, and the Petitioners left destitute of any Security; only several Resolutions of the House, That effectual Provision should be made for Payment of Principal and Interest; and, in the then next Sessions, a Duty was laid on Leather and Skins, to pay the Petitioners; who shewed, at the Bar of the House, the Insufficiency of those Duties; but could only obtain a Clause, That the Deficiency should be made good out of the First Aids to be granted after the Term of Three Years; which expired the 20th April 1700; and then the said Duties fell so far short of paying the Petitioners, that there remains above 500,000 *l.* Principal, besides Interest, due: That, the last Session of Parliament, the Petitioners petitioned the House, That the said Debt might be placed on the Land Tax, being the first Supply granted after the Expiration of the Duties on Leather; and were heard thereupon; but were not allowed the Benefit of the said Act: By all which means the Petitioners have been great Sufferers, and are now destitute of any Fund for their just Debt, who so frankly lent their Money, in a difficult Time, upon the Credit of an Act of Parliament; wherein they conceive, the Honour and Justice of the Nation is highly concerned: And praying, That their Case may be seriously considered, and some effectual Provision made for Repayment of the Petitioners said Debt, and Interest.

**Ordered**, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received another Letter from *William Fuller*: Which he read to the House. Mr. Speaker communicates Letters to the House.

Mr. Speaker also acquainted the House, That he had, this Morning, received a Letter from one Dr. *Stringer*, with several Letters inclosed: Which Letter he read to the House; and acquainted them with the Contents of the inclosed Letters.

*Ordered*,

Referred to  
Mr. Vernon.

*Ordered*, That the said Letter, and inclosed Letters, be delivered to Mr. Secretary *Vernon*: And that he do examine the Matter thereof.

And they were delivered to him accordingly.

Irish Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That the Reports from the *Irish* Trustees, which were ordered to be taken into Consideration this Day, be taken into Consideration upon *Tuesday* Morning next: And that the Two *Irish* Trustees, now in Town, do then attend, to give the House an Account of any Matters they shall require, relating to the Execution of the Act for the Sale of the *Irish* Forfeitures.

American Plantations.

*Ordered*, That the State of the Plantations, with relation to Trade, and their Security, together with the Names of the present Governors of the Plantations, be laid before this House: And that the same be done by the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to a Resolution; which they directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ*, 2<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

Anno 13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Rye Harbour.

*ORDERED*, That Mr. *Williams* and Mr. *Dowdswell* be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for restoring the Harbour of *Rye* to its ancient Goodness is committed.

Quakers Affirmation.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Thomas Abney* and Mr. *Heathcott* be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for continuing an Act, intituled, An Act, That the solemn Affirmation and Declaration of the People called Quakers shall be accepted instead of an Oath in the usual Form, is committed.

Exporting Wool.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, Justices of the Peace, and other Members of the Corporation of the Town of *Taunton*, in the County of *Somerset*, and of other the most substantial Persons, Inhabitants in and near the said Town, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That great Quantities of *English* and *Irish* Wool are illegally transported into *France*, and other foreign Countries, and manufactured there; to the great Damage of the Petitioners, and the *English* Nation in general: And praying the Consideration of the House thereof.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee to whom it is referred to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture; and to consider of the best Methods for regulating and improving the same.

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A Petition of *Charlotte Boscawen*, Wife of *Hugh Boscawen* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner was born at *Paris*, in *France*; and, being now married, is advised to be naturalized: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for her Naturalization.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that *Colonell Churchill* and Mr. *Scobell* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, according to Order, presented Insolvent to the House a Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debtors. Debt: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon this Day Sevensnight.

A Petition of *Robert Appreece* the elder, and *Robert Appreece* the younger, Esquires, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Robert Appreece* the elder settled upon *Rob.* the younger, his eldest Son, on his Marriage, his whole Estate, lying in the Counties of *Huntington*, *Cambridge*, and *Northampton*; but, before the Settlement, was bound to his Majesty as Surety for *John Mason*, who was Receiver of several Taxes, and became insolvent; so that the Premises are liable to be extended, and the Settlement be ineffectual: That all Parties concerned, are desirous, that some Part of the Premises be sold, to satisfy the said Bond; but the same cannot be done, by reason of the said Settlement, without Help of an Act of Parliament: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to vest the Petitioner's Estate, or some Part thereof, in Trustees, or otherwise, to discharge all Incumbrances upon the same.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Lowndes* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* of High Treason: And the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

In the Title, 3d Line, after "*Wales*," add "and of "*Mary*, late Wife of *James*, late King of *England*."

2d Skin, 20th L. after "*Treason*," add the Clause marked (A), for attainting *Mary*, late Wife of the late King *James*, of High Treason.

And the First Amendment being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the said Amendment be postponed until after the next Amendment be considered.

The Second Amendment being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Lords in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

Then the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Lords in the said First Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

And the House also took into Consideration the Report from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of both Houses, with Relation to the Beginning of Bills of Attainder, and Attainders by Clauses.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for disagreeing to the said Amendments; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Boyle*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Sir *Wm. Strickland*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Sir *Edw. Seymour*, Mr. *Dormer*, Sir *Henry Colt*, Mr. *Moncton*, Mr. *Hele*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Jacob*, Mr. *Farrer*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Tho. Powys*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Ash*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Jos. Jehill*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Freeman*: And they are to meet this Afternoon; at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

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Mr.



Supply.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Provision be made for making good the Principal and Interest due on Parliamentary Funds, granted since his Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That Provision be made for making good the Principal and Interest due on Parliamentary Funds, granted since his Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown.

Ditto.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to a Resolution, which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 3<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;*

Anno 13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

## PRAYERS.

Hildyard's  
Instruments  
for Navigation.

A PETITION of *Edward Hildyard* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner hath lately invented Two several Instruments, for the Improvement of Navigation; One called a spherical Quadrant, the other a Calculator; whereby all Mariners may more plainly direct the Course of a Ship than by any Method yet practised; and may also thereby compute the Way that such Ship hath made; which will be of great Advantage to all Navigators: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for his Encouragement in the Invention of the said Instruments.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, Sir *Jos. Jekill*, Colonel *Churchill*, Mr. *Gee*, Admiral *Aylmer*, Sir *Rob. Hildyard*, Mr. *Clark*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Sir *Alexander Rigby*, Mr. *Oxen*, Mr. *St. Loo*, Mr. *Nexton*, Sir *Fra. Windham*, Sir *Chr. Wren*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Mr. *Cox*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Lyddall*, Sir *Geo. Rock*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Admiral *Hobson*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Price*, Mr. *Sergison*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Yates*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Dormer*, Captain *Clayton*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Coke*, Mr. *Boekman*, Sir *Rob. Fagg*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Cowper*; or any Five of them: And they

are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do send for, and consult with, the Brethren of *Trinity-House* of *Deptford-Strond*.

Mr. *Dormer*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the regulating the Prisons of the King's Bench and Fleet: And the same was received. King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning

A Petition of many Merchants, Wholesale-men, Country Clothiers, Serge-makers, and other Dealers in the Woollen Manufactures at *Bristol* Fair, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Trade of this Nation, in the said Manufactures, does yearly very visibly decay, by the illegal Practices of ill Persons, clandestinely transporting great Quantities of *English* and *Irish* Wool into *France*, and other foreign Countries: And praying, That some effectual Provision may be made against such corrupt Practices for the future. Exporting Wool.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture; and to consider of the best Methods for Regulating and Improving of the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee do sit *de die in diem*; and have Leave to sit in the Morning.

*Ordered and Declared*, That all Proceedings of private Committees, after the House is sat, are void.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a Letter from the Trustees for forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, in Answer to the Letter wrote, by Direction of the House, the Seventh Day of January last: Which he read to the House; and is as followeth; viz. Irish Forfeitures.

Sir,

YESTERDAY we had the Honour of yours of the Eighth Instant; and hope, by this time, Mr. *Amesly* and Mr. *Hooper* are in *London*, and fully prepared to give the House Satisfaction as to the several Particulars mentioned in their Orders, inclosed in your Letter, and to all other Matters that the House shall be pleased to require of them.

We are, Sir,

Your most humble Servants,

Dublin, January  
19, 1701.

Cyrril Wich, J. Baggs,  
John Isham, Tho. Rawlins,  
Jo. Trenchard, T. Harrison,  
Wm. Fellowes, John Cary.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to consider of Methods for preventing Libels, and scandalous Papers, be made To-morrow Morning. Publication of Libels.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Walter Young*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Offley*, Sir *Tho. Hanmore*, Sir *Hen. Lyddall*, Mr. *Bulkley*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Sir *William Drake*, Mr. *Cesar*, Sir *Just. Isham*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Carter*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Manly*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Jo. Holland*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Goring*, Sir *John Bolls*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Mr. *Shepherd*, be added to the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for disagreeing with the Lords to the Amendments to the Bill for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* of High Treason. Attaining the Pretender.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, who were to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*,



*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Three hundred Fifty-two thousand Pounds, be granted to his Majesty, for the maintaining of Guards and Garisons, for the Service of the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, including Five thousand Men to serve on board the Fleet, and for providing for Officers upon Half-pay.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Sum, not exceeding Three hundred and Fifty-two thousand Pounds, be granted to his Majesty, for the maintaining of Guards and Garisons, for the Service of the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, including Five thousand Men to serve on board the Fleet, and for providing for Officers upon Half-pay.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will be graciously pleased to interpose

with his Allies, that they may increase their Quotas of Land Forces, to be put on board the Fleet, in proportion to the Numbers his Majesty shall have on board his Fleet.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven- night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House upon the Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom. Publick Accounts.

Mr. *Crawley* presented to the House, according to Admiralty Order, Tables of the Fees due to the Judge, Register, Marshal, and Crier, of the High Court of Admiralty.

And the Title thereof was read:

And the Table is as followeth; viz.

A Table of such Fees as have been usually taken and received by the Judge of the Admiralty, and his Seal-keeper.

*Custos Sigilli.*

s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
6	8	For a Vice Admiral's Patent	1	13	4
6	8	For the Judge of a Vice Admiral's Patent	1	13	4
3	4	For a Register's Patent	0	16	8
3	4	For a Marshal's Patent	0	16	8
3	4	For an Exemplification of a Sentence, or such-like thing, upon Record	0	16	8
6	8	For a Commission of Inquiry and Restitution	1	13	4
1	0	For a Commission of Inquiry and Sequestration only	0	7	8
1	0	For a <i>Supersedeas</i>	0	7	8
1	0	For a Commission to examine Witnesses between Party and Party	0	7	8
1	0	For a Commission to take a Party's Answer in <i>Partibus</i>	0	7	8
3	4	For the Certificate or Testimonial of certain Witnesses <i>quoad Proprietatem Navis</i>	0	10	0
3	4	For a Commission of Mart or Reprisal	0	16	8
3	4	For the Certificate of such a Commission	0	10	0
3	4	For a Commission to take Pirates	0	16	8
1	0	For a Decree <i>Universis</i>	0	3	0
1	0	For a Warrant <i>Universis</i>	0	7	8
1	0	For a Precept for Taking up of a Jury to view the dead Corpse of any drowned	0	7	8
0	4	For a Warrant under the Small Seal, Action 5 <i>l.</i> or under	0	1	6
0	6	For a Warrant under that Seal, Action above 5 <i>l.</i>	0	3	8
0	4	For every Decree under the Small Seal	0	2	4
0	4	For every Monition under that Seal	0	2	4
1	0	For a <i>Quietus est</i> for a Vice Admiral	0	7	8
1	0	For an Inhibition	0	7	8
2	0	For a Commission to inventory, appraise, and deliver	0	15	4
2	8	For a Commission to appraise and sell	0	15	4
1	0	For a Monition <i>Universis</i>	0	3	0
1	0	For a Commission to take an Oath	0	7	8
1	0	For a Commission to inventory and appraise	0	7	8
1	0	For a Transmission <i>Judici a quo, &amp;c.</i>	0	7	8
		For every Sentence definitive, or Interlocutory Decrees, <i>habens Vim Sententiæ definitivæ</i>	1	0	0
		For every Interlocutory, <i>non habens Vim Sententiæ definitivæ</i>	0	6	8
		For every <i>Primum Decretum</i>	0	6	8
		For every <i>Secundum Decretum</i>	1	0	0
		For every Sportulage, or special Default	0	6	8
		For every Party's Answer	0	1	0
		For every First Witness	0	1	0
		For every Second	0	0	6
		For every Bond	0	1	0
		For every Release <i>Universis</i>	0	2	8
		For every Release <i>ultra 5 l.</i>	0	1	4
		For every Release <i>subter 5 l.</i>	0	0	8
		For every Release in <i>Causa Contemptus</i>	0	2	4
		For the Release of a Pirate	0	2	8
		For every Parcel of Interrogatories	0	1	0

C. Hedges.

A Table of the Fees which have been customarily, and are usually, paid to the Register of the High Court of Admiralty of England.

	£.	s.	d.
For every Warrant, under the Small Seal, directed to the Marshal of the Court to arrest any Vessel, Goods, or Person, upon an Action above 5 <i>l.</i>	0	1	6
For every Warrant, under the Great Seal, to arrest any Vessel, Goods, or Person, sent into the Country, to be executed by the Officer of the Place, or other Person, where the same remain, if the Action be above 5 <i>l.</i>	0	2	4
For every Warrant under the Great or Small Seal, if the Action be but 5 <i>l.</i>	0	1	0

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		£.	s.	d.
Admiralty Fees.	For every Recognizance, Bail, or Bond	0	2	6
	For the Release of an Arrest made, by Warrant under the Small Seal, upon any Action above 5 l.	0	1	8
	For a <i>Supersedeas</i> , under the Great Seal, or Release of any Vessel, or any Goods, or Persons, arrested by Warrant under the said Great Seal, above 5 l.	0	7	8
	And if the Action be but 5 l. then but	0	1	4
	* For every Release in a Cause of Contempt	0	4	2
	For the Release of every Person arrested on Suspicion of Piracy	0	4	2
	For subducting every Action under the Great Seal	0	6	0
	For subducting every Action under the Small Seal	0	3	4
	For every Decree of Appraisement under the Small Seal	0	7	9
	For every other Decree, Attachment, or Monition, under the Small Seal, in a civil Cause or Monition, to call all, who pretend Interest in any Prize, to shew Cause why the same should not be condemned	0	3	1
	For every Decree, Monition, or Attachment, under the Great Seal, against any Man, to appear before the Judge, for any Cause	0	3	2
	For every Precept or Monition to summon a Jury, to inquire about any Person drowned or slain within the Jurisdiction of the Admiralty	0	3	4
	For the Verdict thereupon	0	6	8
	For the Return or Certificate of an original Warrant or Monition	0	0	8
	For every Act or Order done in Court, on any Term Court Day	0	0	8
	For every other Act or Order of Court	0	1	0
	For every special Default	0	3	4
	For a <i>Primum Decretum</i>	0	3	4
	For every Affidavit set down in Court, or exhibited, except the Proctors Oaths, or the Oath of a Party, of the Truth of a <i>Primum Decretum</i> , or the like; and for every Information and Confession, or Examination, in criminal Causes	0	2	8
	For taking the Examination or Deposition of the First Witness upon every Libel, Allegation, or other Matter	0	2	4
	For every Witness upon each Matter	0	2	10
	But, if long, the Register to be further considered.			
	For every Parcel of Interrogatories, according to the Length, and at least	0	2	6
	For entering the Answer of every Party Principal	0	2	6
	For the Copy of every Affidavit	0	2	0
	For the Copy of every Examination, or Deposition, of a Witness	0	2	0
	For the Copy of every Answer	0	2	0
	For the Copy of every Libel, Allegation, or other Matter articulate	0	4	0
	If long	0	5	0
	For the Copy of every Allegation <i>apud Acta</i> , or of any Act of Court	0	1	0
	For the Copy of every Appraisement, according to the Length, not exceeding	0	3	4
	For the Copy of every <i>Primum Decretum</i>	0	5	0
	For the Copy of every Sentence in a Civil Cause	0	5	0
	For the Copy of a Sentence in a Reprisal Cause	0	6	0
	For the Copy of any other Matter, to be paid to the Register proportionably to the Length	<i>ut intra.</i>		
	For the subscribing to attest any thing to be true	0	1	0
	For registering or entering any Writing, to be paid to the Register, according to the Length thereof	<i>ut intra.</i>		
	For every Search under Twelve Years	0	1	0
	For every Search above that Time	0	2	0
	For a Patent or Commission for a Vice Admiral	1	13	4
	For a <i>Quietus est</i> for a Vice Admiral	0	7	8
	For a Patent or Commission for Judge of a Vice Admiralty	1	13	4
	For a Patent or Commission for a Register of a Vice Admiralty	0	16	8
	For a Patent or Commission for a Marshal of Vice Admiralty	0	16	8
	For a Patent or Commission to take a Bond, or Bail, in the Country	0	7	8
	For the Bond or Bail Act annexed	0	2	6
	For every Commission of Appraisement of a Vessel, or Goods, in a Civil or in a Prize Cause	0	7	8
	For a Commission to take the Answer of a Party Principal	0	7	8
	For every Commission to examine Witnesses	0	10	0
	For a Commission, or Letter of Mart, or to take Pirates	0	16	8
	And for the Bond taken upon the same	0	2	6
	For every Commission of Inquiry for Goods spoiled, or cast away, or the like	0	10	0
	For every Commission of Restitution of any Ship or Goods wrecked, or piratically or unduly taken, besides the Fee of the interlocutory Decree, or Sentence	0	10	0
	For every Commission of Delivery in a Prize Cause	0	7	8
	For every Commission of Restitution in a Prize Business, besides the Fee of the Sentence, or Interlocutory Decree	0	8	0
	For every Commission to any other Effect, not before said	0	7	8
	For every Sentence <i>secundum Decretum</i> , or Interlocutory Decree, having the Force of a Sentence in a Civil Cause, or Prize Business	0	7	8
	For Sportulage at the giving such Sentence, or Interlocutory Decree, unless on a Term Court Day	0	3	4
	For every other Interlocutory Decree, not having the Force of a Sentence	0	4	4
	For every Exemplification of any Sentence, or any other Matter, if but one Skin	0	16	8
	For every other Skin	0	10	0
	For a Certificate, under Seal, of the Buying a Ship, or the like	0	7	8
	For a <i>Curvat</i> entered in the Registry	0	3	4
	For a Passport	0	5	0
	For every Indenture to bind an Apprentice to a Fisherman	0	2	0
	For opening every Writ of Prohibition or Consultation	0	3	8

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\* This Article is omitted in the Journal, and supplied from the original Account.

	£.	s.	d.	Admiralty Fees.
For every Inhibition	0	7	8	
For Compositions for Processes transmitted <i>a Judicibus inferioribus ab utraque Parte</i> ; viz. a Fourth-part of the Tax of the Appellant, and the Third-part of the Party Appellatee	ut intra.			
For transmitting the Proceedings of any Cause appealed to the Court of Delegates, per Leaf	0	0	4	
For Poundage of Money deposited in Court, per <i>Libram</i>	0	0	2	
But of Money deposited for Master and Mariners, as a Gratuity for fighting against the <i>Turks</i> , per <i>Libram</i>	0	0	3	

Stat. 22, 23. Car. II. Cap. 11. P. 10.

For all Matters not herein expressed concerning criminal Business, to be paid what is usually taken for such Proceedings in *Middlesex* or *Surry*.

And for translating and abstracting Writings out of foreign Languages, Interpretations, and any other Matters relating to Prize Business, not before-mentioned, according to their Length, as was paid in former Wars.

Orl. Gee, Register.

A Table of the FEES which have customarily been, and are usually, paid to the Marshal of the High Court of Admiralty.

	£.	s.	d.
For executing a Warrant against any Vessel, Goods, or Person, or an Attachment	0	10	0
To the Marshal's Man, for being put on board a Ship, to secure her, or any Goods aboard, under an Arrest, per Day and Night	0	2	6
For inquiring after, and reporting, the Sufficiency of a Bail for each Surety	0	4	0
For inquiring after, and certifying, the Sufficiency of the Sureties for a Letter of Mart	1	0	0
For summoning a Jury to inquire about any Person drowned or slain within the Jurisdiction of the Admiralty	0	6	8
For executing an ordinary Monition or Decree	0	4	0
For the Release of an Arrest made by Warrant under the Small Seal, upon any Action above 5 <i>l</i> .	0	2	8
For the Subducting of every Action under the Small Seal	0	1	8
For executing every Decree of Appraisement, including the making the Inventories	1	6	8
For every special Default	0	3	4
For a <i>Primum Decretum</i>	0	4	4
For every Sentence, <i>Secundum Decretum</i> , or Interlocutory Decree, having the Force of a Sentence in a Civil Cause	0	7	8
For the like in a Prize Cause	0	8	8
For every other Interlocutory Decree, not having the Force of a Sentence	0	2	4
For selling a Ship or Goods by Auction, or the Candle, if sold for 200 <i>l</i> . or under	1	0	0
And if above, 10 per Centum.			
For delivering Possession of any Vessel or Goods	0	6	8
For drawing and ingrossing a Pair of Indentures, for delivering Possession of any Vessel or Goods	0	6	8
For serving an ordinary Monition, and Fee, of a Sentence for condemning a Ship and Lading to his Majesty	0	14	0
But, if only for Goods	0	10	0
For the Discharge of a Person sent to the <i>Marshalsea</i> in a Civil Cause	0	15	10
For the Discharge of a Person in a Criminal Cause, Five Marks	3	6	8
To the Marshal, and his Man, for being sent out to apprehend any Criminal; 6 <i>s</i> . 8 <i>d</i> . per Day and Night to the Marshal, and 4 <i>s</i> . per Day and Night to his Man, besides Charges.			

John Cheek, Marshal.

A Table of the FEES which have customarily been, and are usually, paid to the Crier of the High Court of Admiralty.

	£.	s.	d.
For every <i>Primum Decretum</i>	0	1	0
For a <i>Secundum Decretum</i>	0	1	0
For a Sentence	0	1	0
For an Interlocutory Decree, having the Force of a Sentence	0	1	0
For an Oath	0	0	4

Tho. Booker, Crier.

Ordered, That the said Tables of Fees do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Irish Forfeitures.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Annesley* and Mr. *Hooper*, Two of the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures, attended, according to Order;

They were called in; and, at the Bar, presented to the House several Books relating to the Proceedings of the said Trustees; with a Schedule of them: And they were asked several Questions, by the House; which they gave Answers to.

And afterwards withdrew.

And the Schedule of the Books was read; and is as followeth; viz.

- N<sup>o</sup> 1. A Rent-roll of the forfeited Estates.
2. An Abstract of the Rent-roll.
3. Incumbrances reported.
4. Incumbrances not reported.

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5. An Estimate of all such Incumbrances as are not yet determined.

6. A Book containing all Receipts and Payments made by the Trustees, distinguishing the Personal Estates from the Rents.

7. Establishment for *Christmas* Quarter One Thousand Seven hundred and One; with the extraordinary Charge of the Execution of the Commission, from the Beginning, to the Thirty-first of December.

8. A Table of Fees settled by the Trustees.

9. A List of forfeited Houses in *Dublin*, as surveyed; with a Plan of each House, as intended to be sold.

10. A Charge upon the several Grantees, as far as the Incumbrances are stated.

11. The private Estate surveyed; with the Number of Acres, the Value of each Acre, and the yearly Value, if now to be set for a Term of Years.

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Irish Forfeitures.

12. A Book, containing the several Persons outlawed in the County Palatine of *Tipperary*.

And the Books are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That the said Books do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Then the Journal of the last Session; and also the Clause in the Act of Parliament, relating to the Petitions concerning the *Irish* Forfeitures; being read;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the House do proceed upon the Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, now lying before the House, before they do receive any other Petitions;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Gulston*, } 98.  
                                  { Mr. *Foley* :

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Manley*, } 107.  
                                  { Mr. *Harvey* :

So it passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That, after this Day Fortnight, this House will receive no Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That the Petitions and Reports be proceeded upon, in Order as they stand reported to the House, from the Committee appointed to separate the said Petitions, and the Reports from the Trustees.

*Ordered*, That, upon reading the said respective Petitions and Reports, the Two Trustees now in Town be present to be examined to any thing the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the said Petitions and Reports be taken into Consideration upon *Thursday* Sevensnight, at Ten a Clock.

*Ordered*, That no Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures be received but between the Hours of Twelve and One.

The said Mr. *Amesley* and Mr. *Hooper* were called in again; and examined touching a Letter, and an Address, which they had mentioned to the House: Copies whereof they presented to the House.

And then they withdrew.

The said Copies were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

#### The Copy of the Letter.

Gentlemen, *Dublin*, 23 December 1701.

IT is the Opinion of our Friends in *England*, who have an Opportunity to make the best Judgment of Things, That, if the King be rightly applied to, it may be in his Majesty's Power to procure us a Relaxation of the Grievances which the Act of Resumption hath brought upon us: They therefore have taken care to meet frequently, to consult of proper Methods; and have imparted their Thoughts to us: We have followed their Advice, and have made it our Business to have the Sense of the Nobility and Gentry here concerning the same Affair.

The Result of all the Consultations both there and here, and our unanimous Opinion, is, That the best and only Way is, for all the Counties in this Kingdom to represent our Grievance, and implore his Majesty's Favour and Assistance.

The Parchment inclosed is the Tenor of all the Addresses that we have sent to other Places: That which we intreat from you, and our good Friends of your County, as we have from worthy Gentlemen, and true Lovers of their Country, in all other Counties of *Ireland*, is, That you will, with all your Interest, recommend this Address at the next Quarter Sessions: The easiest and most concise Method will be, to have it read publicly, and signed by the Justices of Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of your County: When it is sent up hither, which pray do with all imaginable Expedition, due Care shall be taken to have it sent, and presented to his Majesty, by acceptable Hands. The Service you will do to your Country, and the Obligations you will lay on the Protestants of this Kingdom, will be so great, that it will be needless to say, by way

of Incitement to you, that your Care in this Affair will greatly oblige

Your affectionate Friends and Servants,

<i>Meath</i> ,	<i>Donal Brien</i> ,	<i>Tho. Ash</i> ,
<i>Inchiquin</i> ,	<i>Fran. Butler</i> ,	<i>Da. Breighton</i> ,
<i>Abercorn</i> ,	<i>Hen. Davys</i> ,	<i>James Corry</i> ,
<i>Blesinton</i> ,	<i>Arth. Shaen</i> ,	<i>James Topham</i> ,
<i>Hen. Tichborne</i>	<i>John Dillon</i> ,	<i>Wm. Connolly</i> .
<i>Gus. Hamilton</i> ,	<i>John Ormsby</i> ,	<i>Marm. Coghill</i> ,
<i>Kid. Brasier</i> ,	<i>Hen. Westenra</i> ,	<i>Sam. Dopping</i> ,
<i>Rob. Adare</i> ,	<i>William Crow</i> ,	<i>Cha. Campbell</i> ,
<i>John Corry</i> ,	<i>Matth. Bridges</i> ,	<i>Da. Golborn</i> ,
<i>John Davys</i> ,	<i>Rob. Johnston</i> ,	<i>Rich. Owen</i> ,
<i>J. Lassaduct</i> ,	<i>Blany Townley</i> ,	<i>Jo. Winstanly</i> ,
<i>Tho. Carr</i> ,	<i>Arthur Davys</i> ,	<i>Geo. Merefield</i> .
<i>Hen. Tomson</i> ,	<i>Edw. Wingfield</i> ,	
<i>Tho. Burdet</i> ,	<i>B. Butler</i> ,	

As soon as you have got this signed, let it be returned to *M. Coghill*, or *W. Connolly*, who will take care to transmit it to proper Persons in *England*, to present it to the King.

The said Address:

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,  
The humble Address of the Nobility, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *West-Meath*, at their General Quarter Sessions held at the  
Day of 1701.

YOUR Majesty's faithful and loyal Subjects the Protestants of this Your Kingdom of *Ireland*, lying under such Pressures, by means of the late Act of Resumption, and of the Execution thereof, that they apprehend the . . . Protestants of this Kingdom, who have all of them, to the utmost of their Power, been most forward and zealous for Your Majesty's Interest, and instrumental in reducing this Kingdom to its Dependence upon the Crown of *England*, must be the unavoidable Consequence of the Execution of that Act, do humbly fly to Your Majesty's Protection; and pray, That Your Majesty, the Restorer of their Religion, Rights, and Liberties, would once again be pleased to take their distressed Condition into Your Princely Consideration, and, by such Methods as to Your Majesty shall seem expedient, and their present Circumstances, and the Justice of their Cause, do require, apply suitable Remedies to the severe Burden under which they lie.

The deplorable Condition of very many Families, who always adhered firmly to the Interest of Your Majesty, and the Crown of *England*, and the general Discouragement that Act has given to the Protestant Interest of this Kingdom, constrain us, with all Humility, to lay before Your Majesty, That the Act being intirely framed and passed in *England*, the real Truth of our late Circumstances could not be known: Hence we have Reason to complain,

1st, The Persons, who chiefly receive any Benefit or Favour by this Act, are the Papists of this Kingdom; and, among them, principally those, who, to the last, opposed Your Majesty's Arms and Interest: And, besides many other particular Favours to *Irish* Papists, all those, who, by Your Majesty's Grace, obtained the Reversal of their Outlawries, have the Benefit of those Reversals confirmed to them; and are, by this Act, restored as well to their Estates, as to their Blood, when most of the Grants made to the Protestants are re-assumed:

2. That the Improvers, and poor Husbandmen, who, by several Proclamations issued by Your Majesty's Order, were encouraged and required to betake themselves to their Tillage, to repair the Desolation wrought by the War, and prevent a Famine, are, by it, deprived of all the Benefit of their Labours, and the Charges of their Improvements:

3. That those, who purchased under Patentees, are generally Protestants, who, in their Dealings for these Estates, acted agreeably to the then known and established Laws

Laws of these Kingdoms; though now, by a Law made *ex post facto*, they find themselves in the Condition of forfeiting Persons:

4. That the ill Consequence of this Act, and the Execution of it, do not only affect the Purchasers of Forfeitures, but your Majesty's other Subjects here, who are wholly unconcerned in those Titles, and disquiet the whole Kingdom; for, some of the Trustees having declared in Court their Opinion, That, what Land soever they shall think fit to sell, it shall never after be controverted, whether that Land was the Estate of a forfeiting Person, and, in consequence of that, vested in them by the Act; but that their Sales, whatsoever they are, are confirmed by the Act, and past Controul: Your Majesty's Subjects of this Kingdom are sensible, that, if this Opinion prevail, the whole Property of *Ireland* depends upon the arbitrary Wills of the Majority of the Trustees:

5. That the Power given to the Trustees is so arbitrary and unlimited, that all Persons, under colour of Discoveries, or upon other Pretences, are liable to be summoned to appear before them, and to attend their Pleasure:

6. That the Act is a great Discouragement to Protestant Proprietors to lay out Money in Improvements, upon account of the Uncertainty of Titles to Estates here; it being construed not only to subject Titles, established by Judgments and Decrees of the highest Courts of Law and Equity here, to the Re-examination of the Trustees; but, in express Terms, defeats a Title confirmed by an Act of a Parliament legally convened, and held under Your Majesty, within this Kingdom:

7th, That the whole Scheme of the Act, and the Manner of the Execution of it, depresses... discontinues the Protestant Interest of this Kingdom, and encourages the Popish; of the Danger of which, we, who have felt the Effects of it, must always be apprehensive; but more particularly now, when the Papists, throughout the whole Nation, by the Insolence of their Behaviour, shew, that the Acknowledging of the pretended Prince of *Wales* by the *French King*, or some other Dependence, has raised their Expectations to a great Height.

We are persuaded, that the Parliament of *England* were in no sort apprised either of the Hardships, or dangerous Consequences, of the Act; and are sensible that the whole Act is grounded upon gross Misinformations given them concerning the Value of the Forfeitures; which were represented, by the Persons intrusted with that Inquiry, to be at least Four times the Value of what they will be found to amount to. We will not affirm, that this was done wilfully, or to serve private Ends; but we must say, and can make it plain beyond Denial, that all Proofs offered to them in their Inquiries, though never so plain and evident, were by them disregarded and rejected, when they tended to lessen the Value of the Forfeitures, and deprive them of an Handle for making their exorbitant Report.

And we must add, that the Expences to which this Kingdom hath already been put, in Attendance upon the Trustees, with Counsel, Witnesses, in Fees to their Officers, &c.; the Salaries of the Trustees themselves, and of near Relations to some of them; and other Officers put into Employments, with great Allowances, under them; with other Charges which the Act has occasioned to this Kingdom; if cast up, will exceed the utmost that the Act, even as now executed, can produce: Such a Sum might, without Grievance or Complaint, have been laid equally upon the Forfeitures in *Ireland*; and thereby the Publick might have received some Benefit, and this Kingdom not have groaned under a Burden, which nothing but the last Necessity forces her to complain of in this manner: Something of this kind may yet be done, though not near to what might have been, before the Country was so impoverished by the Means of the Act.

May it please your Majesty to suffer us, upon this Occasion, to assure Your Majesty, That Your Protestant Subjects of this Kingdom are so sensible of the inexpressible Favours they have received from Your Majesty, and of Your tender Care of them, that nothing can ever shake their Faith and Duty to Your Majesty; and that, what-

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ever the Malice of their Enemies may, for private Ends, or ill Designs, suggest to the contrary, no Inducements whatsoever can prevail with them to endeavour to make, or to wish, themselves independent of, or not subject to the Crown of *England*; and that none of Your Majesty's Subjects of any of Your Dominions will, upon all Occasions, shew a more forward and ready Zeal to maintain and defend, against all Opposers whatsoever, Your Majesty's Sacred Person, and Government, the Protestant Religion, the Laws, Liberties, and the Right, of the Crown of *England*, than Your Majesty's Protestant Subjects of *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the Earl of *Abercorné*, and *James Topham* Esquire, do attend this House upon *Thursday* Sevensnight.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 4° die Februarii;*

Anno 13° Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

COLONEL *Churchill*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to naturalize *Charlotte* the Wife of *Hugh Boscawen* Esquire: And the same was received. The Bill was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of *William Adams* Esquire, Grandfather, and *Thomas Jenkins*, Uncle, of *William* and *Eliz. Adams*, Infants, for and on the behalf of the said *William* and *Elizabeth*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *William* the Grandfather, being seised in Fee of an Estate of 300 *l.* per Annum, in the County of *Salop*, did, upon the Marriage of his Son *William* with *Mary* the Petitioner *Jenkins*' Sister, settle the said Premises on *William* his Son, for Life, and the Issue of that Marriage; reserving a Power to his said Son, That by Deed or Will, he might charge the said Estate with any Sum not exceeding 1,600 *l.* for a Provision for his younger Children, if any: That *William* is dead, without executing the said Power; though he has left *Rich.* his eldest Son, about Ten Years of Age, and *William* and *Eliz.* his younger Children by the said *Mary*, who is also dead: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for charging the said Premises with 800 *l.* for the Maintenance and Portions of the said Infants *William* and *Eliz.*

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Kinaston* and Sir *John Bolles* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Sir *John Bolles* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for reviving the Act for exempting Apothecaries from serving the Office of Constable, Scavenger, and other Parish and Ward Offices; and from serving upon Juries; was committed; That they had made an Amendment to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read.

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to the same Committee: And that they do meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do, in the Bill, exempt Apothecaries from all Parish Offices.

A Petition of the Churchwardens, and other Inhabitants, of the several Parishes within the City and Liberties of

*Boscawen's*  
Nat.

*Adams'*  
Estate.

Apothecaries  
exempt from  
Parish  
Offices.

Ditto.  
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of *Westminster*, on behalf of themselves, and others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners do find the Serving Parish Offices very burdensome, and come too often to their Turns, by reason Apothecaries have, by virtue of an Act of Parliament now expiring, been exempted from the same, though they are as well, or better, able to pay the usual Fines to the Poor, which others pay, who desire to be exempted: And praying, That the Act for exempting Apothecaries from Parish Offices may not be revived; or that a Clause may be inserted in the Bill depending in the House for that Purpose, That the Apothecaries in *Westminster* may pay the usual Fines for Parish Offices, when they shall be appointed to serve the same.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is re-committed.

Salt Duties. Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Duties upon Salt: And that Mr. *Conyers* and Mr. *Lowndes* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Cheese-mongers. Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent the Abuses of Cheesemongers, and their Factors: And that the Earl of *Disert*, and Sir *Roger Mostyn*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Bridges in Highways. Ordered, That Mr. *Clark*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Earl of *Dysert*, Mr. *Barrell*, Mr. *Jervoise*, Mr. *Pagitt*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to explain or alter the Act made in the Two-and-twentieth Year of *Hen. VIIIth*, concerning repairing and amending Bridges in the Highways, is committed.

Woollen Manufactures. A Petition of the Governors of the *Dutch Bay-hall*, and also of the Bay-makers, Say-makers, and Perpetuana-makers, in *Colchester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That many Thousands of People in and about *Colchester* are employed in the Woollen Manufactures; for the Managing whereof great Quantities of Wool are weekly bought at *London*, *Buckinghamshire*, and other inland Counties, and brought to *Colchester*, and is weekly carried to Spinners, many whereof live Thirty Miles off: That certain Persons, deputed by Commissioners appointed by Act of Parliament to prevent the Exportation of Wool, have seized great Quantities of the Petitioners Wool, as passing backwards and forwards, in the way of their Trades, under Pretence of being carried at Hours contrary to the said Act, notwithstanding the Petitioners never did, or endeavoured to, export Wool: And those Seizures tend to the Discouragement and stopping the said Trades; for that the Petitioners cannot make their weekly Returns, especially in short Days, and bad Roads, without exceeding the Hours limited by the said Act: And praying, That some Expedient may be found out for permitting the Petitioners to bring their Wool from *London*, and other Places, and carrying it to Spinners; and for bringing home Yarn; without restraining them to the said Hours; yet continuing the Laws in Force to prevent Exportation of Wool or Yarn.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture; and to consider of the best Methods for regulating and preventing the same.

Creditors on Stamp Duties. A Petition of the Proprietors of the Tallies due upon Vellum and Parchment, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners advanced the Sum of 30,000 *l.* upon the Credit of the Act for laying a Duty on Vellum, Parchment, and Paper, when the same could not be obtained from any other Persons on so uncertain a Fund, and when the Petitioners could have made 30 or 40 per Centum of Tallies upon good Funds: And praying, That their Case may be taken into Consideration.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received another Letter from *William Fuller*; which he read to the House: Wherein *William Fuller* writes, That *Tho. Jones* Esquire, and *John Englesfield* Gentleman, are come near to the Town, in order to attend this House.

Mr. Speaker communicates a Letter.

Ordered, That *William Fuller* be, at his own Desire, brought to attend this House To-morrow Morning: And that the Warden of the *Fleet* do bring him accordingly, at Ten a Clock.

Persons ordered to be brought up.

Ordered, That the said *William Fuller* do bring *Tho. Jones* Esquire, and *John Englesfield* Gentleman, to attend this House To-morrow Morning, according to his Undertaking, and the Warrants he has had, for that Purpose, from this House.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That he had, according to the Direction of the House, examined into the Matter of the Papers inclosed in Dr. *Stringer's* Letter; and had taken the Examination of \* *Romain*, mentioned in those Papers, who is a Prisoner in the *Counter*; but that, the same being chiefly Hearsay from one *Johnson*, who, he said, was a Barber, and lived in *White-fryers*, he had endeavoured, by the Beadle of the Place, and ancient Parishioners, to find the said *Johnson*; but that they had declared, They never heard of such a Man.

Mr. Vernon acquaints the House concerning Papers referred to him.

Ordered, That Mr. Secretary *Vernon* do deliver the said Examinations, and Papers, to Mr. Attorney General, in order to prosecute the said \* *Romain*: And that he do prosecute him accordingly.

Ordered, That the Bill for the better preventing Bribery and Corruption in Elections of Members to serve in Parliament, be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Bribery at Elections.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Ordered, That the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, be read To-morrow Morning.

King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee appointed to consider of Methods of Preventing Libels, and scandalous Papers, be made upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Publication of Libels.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

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## PRAYERS.

Wiredrawers  
Trade.

**M**R. *Vernon*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for continuing and amending the Act, made in the Ninth and Tenth Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for settling and adjusting the Proportion of fine Silver, and Silk, for the better Making of Silver and Gold Thread; and to prevent the Abuses of Wiredrawers: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

St. Mawes  
Election.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, and *James Vernon* Esquire, his Son, have Leave to withdraw their Petition touching the Election for the Borough of *St. Mawes*, in the County of *Cornwall*.

Windsor  
Deanery  
Estate.

Mr. *Topham*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for enabling the Dean and Canons of the King's free Chapel of *St. George*, within the Castle of *Windsor*, to take from his Majesty, in Exchange for divers Parcels of Land belonging to them, other Lands or Rents of like Value: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Army De-  
bentures.

A Petition of the Clothiers of his Majesty's Army for the Years One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight, and One thousand Six hundred Ninety-nine, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners clothed the Army on the Off-reckonings of those Years, not doubting but the same would be effectually paid; but they have been out of their Money ever since, without any Interest; and those Debentures, given out pursuant to a late Act of Parliament, are above 40*l.* per Centum Discount: And the greatest Part of the Petitioners, whose Accounts are not yet stated, are in a worse Condition, by reason of the Uncertainty of the Time and Manner of Payment; which is so great a Grievance, that it hath reduced the Petitioners to great Necessities: And praying, That they may have Interest on their Debentures; or be otherwise relieved, in such manner as shall be thought fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Water-measure  
of Fruit.

Mr. *Birch*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for ascertaining the Water-measure of Fruit: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Rye  
Harbour.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Jennings*, Sir *John Stonehouse*, Mr. *Fownes*, Sir *Fran. Drake*, Mr. *Anderton*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Birch*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for restoring the Harbour of *Rye* to its ancient Goodness is committed.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

A Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* was, according to Order, read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next, after Twelve a Clock.

Answer to  
Address.

Mr. Vice Chamberlain acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That he would be graciously pleased to interpose with his Allies, that they may increase their Quotas of Land Forces, to be put on board the Fleet, in proportion to the Number his Majesty shall have on board his Fleet; his Majesty was pleased to answer, That he would interpose with his Allies, to increase their Forces, that are to go on board

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the Fleet, in proportion to the Number his Majesty shall have on board his Fleet.

Major General *Erle*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Punishing of Officers and Soldiers that shall mutiny or desert in *England* or *Ireland*: And the same was received.

Punishing  
Mutiny and  
Desertion.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Mr. *Blathwait*, from the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations, presented to the House an Answer to their Orders, directing them to lay before this House an Account of their Proceedings, for the Improvement of Trade, since their last Account laid before this House; and also the State of the Plantations, with relation to Trade, and their Security; together with the Names of the present Governors of the Plantations.

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And the Title thereof was read:

And the said Answer and State are as follow; *viz.*

The said Answer:

IN Obedience to an Order of this Honourable House, dated the Nineteenth of the last Month, requiring us to lay before them an Account of our Proceedings, for the Improvement of Trade, since our Account given in the Twelfth of March last; and in further Obedience to an Order of the Thirty-first of the last Month, requiring us to lay before this Honourable House the State of the Plantations with relation to Trade, and their Security, together with the Names of the present Governors of the Plantations; we humbly take Leave to represent,

That, in pursuance of his Majesty's Commission for promoting the Trade of this Kingdom, and for inspecting and improving his Majesty's Plantations and Factories in *America*, and elsewhere, we have continued to apply ourselves to the Care of those Plantations, in relation to their Government and Commerce: And there being, within the Allegiance of the Crown of *England*, Twenty several Colonies, besides *Hudson's Bay* and *Newfoundland*, in which last Place there is no Governor; each of which have their distinct Governments, Councils, and General Assemblies, by whom Laws, and Rules of Government, are passed and enacted; some of which Colonies are governed by his Majesty's immediate Commission, and others by Proprietors and Charters; with these Governments, and particularly those under his Majesty's especial Direction, we have managed a constant Correspondence; in the Course whereof, the said Governors have sent us Journals of their Councils, Assemblies, and other publick Proceedings, with Accounts of all Matters whatsoever relating to their respective Governments; all which have been considered by us, and the necessary Orders returned thereupon: More particularly, the Acts of the several Assemblies, transmitted to us, have been examined; and our Reports have thereupon been made to his Majesty, in his Privy Council, for his Royal Assent, or Disallowance: In all which we have, according to our Duty, had especial Regard to the Interest and Improvement of the Trade of *England*, as well as to the Good of the Plantations.

We have prepared the necessary Orders, Commission, and Instructions, for Brigadier *Selwyn*, whom his Majesty has been pleased to appoint Governor of *Jamaica*: We have prepared the like Dispatches, Commission, and Instructions, for the Lord *Cornbury*, whom his Majesty has been pleased to constitute Governor of *New York*: And, his Majesty having thought fit to separate the said Government of *New York* from that of the *Massachusetts Bay* in *New England*, and to appoint Colonel *Dudley* to be Governor of the Place last-mentioned, we have likewise prepared his Commission for that Government.

His Majesty having, by one of his principal Secretaries of State, directed us to prepare a Commission, and Instructions, for *Mitford Crow* Esquire to be Governor of *Barbadoes*, we have accordingly prepared his Commission: In all which Commissions, and other Dispatches, we have

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made such Provisions and Alterations, as we conceive proper, as well for the Defence, as for the Trade, of those several Places.

Convoys.] We have proposed to his Majesty the appointing several Convoys necessary to attend and protect the Trade of the Plantations; and have endeavoured to prevent the Abuses complained of in the Impresting of Seamen by Captains, or other Officers, of his Majesty's Ships of War in those Parts, the Irregularities of this Practice having been found of bad Consequence, as well to the Trade, as the Settlement, of those Plantations.

In Obedience to his Majesty's Commands, referred to us, relating to Merchant Ships in the *West Indies*; which, being commissioned by the Governors of his Majesty's Plantations, had worn such Colours, as ought only to be borne by his Majesty's Ships of War; we did humbly offer our Opinion, That his Majesty's Governors having Vice Admiralty Jurisdiction, it was, as well for the Security of the Ships so employed by them, as for the Dignity of his Majesty's Commission, that such Ships, though they should not wear his Majesty's Colours, should be distinguished from ordinary Merchant Ships, and trading Vessels; and accordingly such a Mark of Distinction was agreed on by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and the necessary Advice and Directions given thereupon by us to the several Governors of his Majesty's Plantations.

Suppression of Pirates.] For the more effectual Suppression of Pirates, and the better Execution of the Act of Parliament in that behalf, we, having dispatched his Majesty's Commission, for the Tryal of such Offenders, to the several Governors of his Majesty's Colonies in *America*, have received their Answers; wherein they assure us of their Care and Diligence in putting the said Act in Execution: And his Majesty having been further pleased, upon our Report, to direct, That Duplicates of the said Commissions should be sent to each of the said Plantations by *George Larkin* Esquire, nominated a Commissioner for the Trying of Pirates, that he, being a Person well versed in the Civil Law, and Proceedings of the Court of Admiralty, might instruct the other Commissioners in the most proper Methods, and accordingly settle the Forms for the Holding of those Courts; we prepared Instructions for the said *Larkin*; whereby he was ordered to repair to *Newfoundland*; from thence to the *Massachusetts Bay*, *New York*, *Maryland*, *Virginia*, *Leeward Islands*, *Barbadoes*, and *Jamaica*; in each of which Plantations, he is directed to deliver the said Duplicates of the Commissions to the respective Governors, and proper Officers, of those Places; who were to give Notice thereof to the Propriety and Charter Governments comprehended within each of their respective Districts.

We have been informed from Mr. *Larkin*, at *St. John's* in *Newfoundland*, That he had settled the Forms of Tryals for Pirates, and left such Directions, relating to those Tryals, in the Hand of the proper Officer there, that there could be no Error in the Proceedings against such Pirates as may be taken in those Parts: He has done the same at *Boston* in the *Massachusetts* Colony, One of the Charter Governments, where illegal Trade and Piracy have found so general Encouragement, that he doubts, whether the Act will be duly complied with in its Execution: We shall continue to do what in us lies in this behalf, by giving the most particular Instructions hereupon to the Governor, whom his Majesty shall send thither.

Act for Ministers in *Maryland*.] Upon the Petition of several Dissenters in *Maryland*, complaining of an Act passed in the Assembly of that Province, intituled, An Act for the Service of Almighty God, and Establishment of Religion, in that Province, according to the Church of *England*; which Act being inconsistent with the Title, and, according to what the Petitioners represented, interfering with the Acts of Settlement there, and with the Act of Toleration; and that it would prove a Hardship upon them, and a Discouragement to the Plantation Trade, that this Act should be confirmed by his Majesty; we did, after hearing the Parties, represent that Matter to his Majesty; and, by his Majesty's Directions, formed a

new Draught of an Act to be offered to the Assembly of *Maryland*, for the Establishment of religious Worship in that Province, according to the Church of *England*; and for the Maintenance of Ministers: Which Draught was sent to *Maryland*, having been first approved by his Grace the Lord Archbishop, and the Lord Bishop of *London*.

Justice in the Plantations.] We have likewise taken the best Care we could, that his Majesty's Subjects in the Plantations should be freed from Oppression, as to their Civil Rights; and that equal Justice should be administered to them: And herein we beg Leave to represent, That, since the Report of that Subject laid by us before the Honourable House of Commons, the 23d of April last, we having received an Answer from the Lord *Grey*, then Governor in Chief of *Barbadoes*, as likewise from the Council of that Island, in relation to Complaints made of Irregularities in the Proceedings of the Courts of Justice there; which Answer we likewise communicated to Mr. *Hodges*, one of the chief Complainants, and received a Reply thereunto; we reported our Opinion to his Majesty upon the whole Matter, the 12th of December last: And, upon a new Petition from Mr. *Isaac Hawkins*, another Complainant, we made a further Report, the 29th of January last: Which Reports shew the good Effects of the Directions given from time to time, in that behalf.

Upon Complaints made to us of several Hardships done to some of his Majesty's Subjects in the Island of *St. Christopher's*, and irregular Practices committed by Captain *James Norton*, Lieutenant Governor of that Island, we gave Directions therein to Colonel *Codrington*, Governor in Chief of his Majesty's *Leeward Caribbee Islands*; who, having inquired into the Truth of those Complaints, suspended the said *Norton* from his Government, till his Majesty's Pleasure therein should be further known; and, upon a Representation made by us on that Subject, his Majesty hath been pleased to remove the said *Norton* from that Trust.

Upon the Petition of Mr. *Samuel Allen*, Proprietor of *New Hampshire*; complaining, That, in a Tryal in the Superior Court of Judicature in that Province, upon an Action in Ejectment, in order to the determining his Right to the Propriety and Quit-rents claimed by him, the Judges and Juries being Tenants, and consequently Parties, a Verdict had passed against him; upon which, an Appeal being desired, his Majesty was pleased, upon our Representation, to allow of such Appeal.

Mr. *John* and *Nicolas Hallam* have complained, by Petition to his Majesty, That the Governor and Company of *Connecticut* had refused to admit them to appeal to his Majesty in Council here, from a Sentence passed in a Court of Assistants in that Colony; we advised thereupon with his Majesty's Attorney and Solicitor General, in point of Law; and, upon our Report, the Petitioners obtained an Order in Council to their Satisfaction.

In these, and other Causes relating to the Plantations, we have used our best Endeavours, that the Persons concerned might have Dispatch in their Affairs: And, upon all Applications made to us from Merchants, and others concerned in Trade, we have constantly represented their Cases to his Majesty, or given them such other Assistance, as the Nature of their Business has required.

Project of a Treaty with *Morocco*.] Having been required to consider, and report our Opinion, upon the Project of a Treaty between his Majesty and the Emperor of *Morocco*; and more particularly, whether a Peace with that Government would be for the Benefit and Advantage of the Trade of this Kingdom; we did thereupon consult the Merchants concerned in that Trade, and having represented our Opinion, That, in the present Circumstances of Affairs, such a Treaty might be advantageous, we also offered such Alterations, or Observations, upon that Project, as we conceived proper, more especially with relation to Passes; observing thereupon, that the obliging *English* Ships to produce Passes to those Rovers, would be a Means to furnish them with new Pretences and Cavils, wherewith to colour their Violences; we therefore humbly proposed,

proposed, That the Article, relating thereunto, might, at present, be omitted; but, if they should, in any future Occasion, insist upon it, that it might be used as an Argument to obtain better Terms from them upon any other Point in Dispute.

Trade at *Leghorn*.] We having, upon the Application of the Merchants of this City trading to *Leghorn*, represented to his Majesty, That they lay under Hardships, and had Taxes imposed on their Merchandizes in the Dominions of the Great Duke of *Tuscany*, contrary to the ancient Immunities and Privileges enjoyed by the *English* in those Parts; and having thereupon proposed what might most contribute to their Ease and Security; we have been informed by Sir *Lambert Blackwell*, his Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary in that Court, That, upon our Report, such Directions were given, that the Grievances complained of were removed, and the following Advantages procured; viz.

A Liberty, that all *English* Ships, from his Majesty's Dominions, with net Patents, should be admitted to immediate Pratique in the Ports of *Tuscany*; which had not been allowed for above Forty Years:

A Liberty, that all Woollen Goods, from his Majesty's Dominions, might be carried immediately from on Ship-board to the Merchants Warehouses, without making a Quarantine of Fifteen Days, as had been practised for above Forty Years, to the great Damage of their Goods, and Prejudice of the Merchants:

The Great Duke has taken off a Duty of 2*l.* per Cent. which, for Forty Years past, has been paid on all *English* Woollen Goods from his Majesty's Dominions; as likewise a Duty of a Half per Cent. which was laid on the personal Estates of all the *English* Merchants at *Leghorn*:

Whereas it has been a long Custom, to make all Goods, entered in, or out of *Leghorn*, to pay Porterage, whether landed or not; the Great Duke has now ordered, That no such Duty should be required, but upon Goods actually landed.

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Trade in general.] As our Commission requires us to take an Account of the State and Condition of the Trade of *England* in general, and of the several particular Trades to all foreign Parts; and to enquire into, and examine, what Trades are, or may be, hurtful, and how they might be rectified, or discouraged; we have accordingly made a constant Inspection into the general State of Trade; and, on the 13th of January 1698, did lay before the Honourable House of Commons our Opinion, That, by our Inquiries, we did find, we had imported, from some Countries, Goods to a much greater Value than we had exported; and particularly, that we were overbalanced in our Trade with *Sweden* and the *Baltick*, about 200,000*l.* per Annum; in our Trade to *Denmark* and *Norway*, about 150,000*l.* per Annum; and that, by the Entries in the Custom-house Books, it appeared, that we had, for several Years, exported to the *East Indies* above 400,000*l.* per Annum in Bullion, besides what was carried out privately, or shipped from *Spain*: And that for some Years before the late War began, we had been overbalanced in the *French* Trade about one Million per Annum; with our Observations thereupon, that such Trades had occasioned the Exportation and Decrease of our Silver Coin.

Exports and Imports.] By the Inquiries we have since made, we are confirmed in the same Opinions; but more particularly by the Abstracts of the Exports and Imports; by which it appears, that, from *Christmas* 1697, to *Michaelmas* 1698.

Exported.	Pounds.	Imported.	Pounds.
To <i>Sweden</i> - - - - -	52,379	From <i>Sweden</i> - - - - -	219,492
To <i>Denmark</i> and <i>Norway</i> - - -	37,232	From <i>Denmark</i> and <i>Norway</i> - - -	90,957
To the <i>Baltick</i> , or <i>East-Country</i> - -	150,018	From the <i>Baltick</i> , or <i>East-Country</i> - -	197,476
	239,629		507,925

From *Christmas* 1698, to *Christmas* 1699.

Exported.	Pounds.	Imported.	Pounds.
To <i>Sweden</i> - - - - -	57,587	From <i>Sweden</i> - - - - -	245,802
To <i>Denmark</i> and <i>Norway</i> - - -	38,078	From <i>Denmark</i> and <i>Norway</i> - - -	86,744
To the <i>Baltick</i> , or <i>East-Country</i> - -	165,731	From the <i>Baltick</i> , or the <i>East-Country</i> - -	224,546
	261,396		557,092
To <i>East-India</i> .		From <i>East-India</i> .	
In Goods - - - - -	155,235	In Goods - - - - -	717,695
In Silver, at 5 <i>s.</i> per Ounce - - -	-	- 841,881 <i>l.</i> Sterling.	-
In Gold, at 4 <i>l.</i> per Ounce - - -	-	- 29,228	-
		871,109	

To the said Abstract must be added the Freight, or Carriage, of most of the Goods that come from *Sweden*, *Denmark*, *Norway*, and the *Baltick*; because it is paid to the Natives of those Countries, or to Foreigners; which, upon some Commodities, amounts to near as much as the First Cost of the Goods, and will make those Over-balances to be more than we represented: And, by the said Abstracts, and other Informations, we find, That, since that Representation, the Exportation of Bullion for *India* has much increased upon us; which has occasioned a greater Consumption of Silver: And the increasing Expence in the Consumption of some foreign Commodities at home, hath hindered the Exportation of it, as Wines; which amounted to 21,568 Tons between *Christmas* 1698, and *Christmas* 1699, which coming most from *Spain* and *Portugal*, the Importation of Bullion from those Parts is much lessened thereby.

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We did then further represent, That the great Variations and Changes, which have happened in Trade since the Year 1660, did require, that a new Book of Rates should be framed, which, we humbly conceive, should be done, and offered to the Consideration of this Honourable House, as the most effectual Way to remove many Difficulties, which our particular Trades lie under, occasioned by the Alterations, which have happened in the Price of most Commodities since the Year 1660, our Neighbour Nations having taken great Advantages on several Branches of our Trade, by many Commodities being charged too high, and others too low: And we have also suffered much by the Importation of many manufactured Goods, and Handicraft Wares, which hinder the Consumption of our own: Also the fair Traders are discouraged by the Corruptions, which have grown up with Time, in the Management of the Re-exports, Debentures and Drawbacks:

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All which cannot have a more proper and general Remedy than by making a new Book of Rates, and by such Proposals as may be made by the Custom-house Officers; consulting with Merchants upon such a View of the whole Trade of the Nation, as will be necessary to compose such a Book.

Upon the whole, finding, that those Trades, which have an Overbalance, cannot be remedied, but by the Help of the Legislative Power, we have thought it our Duty to make these Remarks upon them; for, by our Observations upon the vast Quantities of Silver annually exported; by the great Price that is given for Silver uncoined, more than it is valued in Coin; by the small Quantities of foreign Silver, which have been brought to the Mint to be coined for 12 Years last past; by the general Use that is made of Gold Coin in all Parts of the Kingdom, for the Payment of Debts, &c.; besides the present Apprehension of an Interruption in the Plate Trade from the *Spanish Indies*; it is too obvious, that our Silver Coin has been much diminished by these Trades, and in Danger to receive daily further Prejudice.

We take Leave to add, that we have constantly had under our Care that Article of our Commission, which relates to the Poor, and the properest Methods of making them useful, and not burdensome, to the Publick; and having, in a former Parliament, made divers Proposals, how, we conceived, that Work might be best effected, and prepared an Abstract of all the Laws on that Subject now in Force, together with the Draught of a Bill, whereby those Laws might be reduced to One, and laid the same before a Committee of the House of Commons; we do not find, that any further Progress can be made therein, till this Honourable House shall have taken it into their Consideration.

Plantations Trade.] The present State of the Plantations, in Relation to Trade, will best appear to this Honourable House, by the Accounts we have from Governors, and the Naval Officers, in those Parts, and from the Abstracts of Imports and Exports here.

We find, That there was exported, from the Island of *Jamaica*, from *Christmas* 1697, to *Michaelmas* 1698, the Goods following; viz.

Sugar	{ Hogsheads	-	-	-	12,461	Fustick, Tons	-	-	-	-	-	204
	{ Barrels	-	-	-	521	Stockfish-wood, Tons	-	-	-	-	-	60
Indico	{ Hogsheads	-	-	-	14	Cocoa Nuts { Hogsheads	-	-	-	-	-	57
	{ Barrels	-	-	-	914		{ Barrels	-	-	-	-	222
Pymento	{ Hogsheads	-	-	-	68	Sarsaparilla, Bags	-	-	-	-	-	83
	{ Barrels	-	-	-	140	Braziletta-wood, Tons	-	-	-	-	-	37
Ginger, Bags	-	-	-	-	2,470	Hides	-	-	-	-	-	575
Cotton, Bags	-	-	-	-	913	Elephants Teeth	-	-	-	-	-	27
Logwood, Tons	-	-	-	-	699	And some small Parcels of other Sort of Goods.						

From *Michaelmas* 1698, to the 12th of December 1699.

Sugar	{ Hogsheads	-	-	-	10,758	Ginger, Bags	-	-	-	-	-	1,415
	{ Barrels	-	-	-	216	Cotton, Bags	-	-	-	-	-	1,032
Indico	{ Hogsheads	-	-	-	3	Logwood, Tons	-	-	-	-	-	1,641½
	{ Barrels	-	-	-	914	Stockfish-wood, Tons	-	-	-	-	-	761
Pymento	{ Hogsheads	-	-	-	152	Lignum Vitæ, Tons	-	-	-	-	-	10
	{ Barrels	-	-	-	244	Braziletta-wood, Tons	-	-	-	-	-	3
Elephants Teeth	-	-	-	-	329	Ebony, Tons	-	-	-	-	-	4
Cocoa Nuts	{ Hogsheads	-	-	-	3	Lime-juice, Hogsheads	-	-	-	-	-	192
	{ Barrels	-	-	-	10	Tortoise-shell, Barrels	-	-	-	-	-	10
Cinnamon, Bags	-	-	-	-	50	Melasses { Hogsheads	-	-	-	-	-	115
							{ Barrels	-	-	-	-	10
						Rum for other Plantations, Hogsheads	-	-	-	-	-	58

Each Hogshead of Sugar contains between 10 and 12 C. Weight.

Exported from the Island of *Barbadoes* from the 25th of March 1699, to the 25th of March 1700.

Brown Sugar	{ Hogsheads	-	-	-	14,022	Cotton, Bags	-	-	-	-	-	1,048
	{ Barrels	-	-	-	2,749	Ginger, Bags	-	-	-	-	-	5,830
	{ Tierces	-	-	-	1,128	Melasses { Hogsheads	-	-	-	-	-	2,673
White Sugar	{ Hogsheads	-	-	-	389		{ Barrels	-	-	-	-	78
	{ Barrels	-	-	-	143	Lime-juice, Tons	-	-	-	-	-	10
	{ Tierces	-	-	-	119	Aloes, Gourds	-	-	-	-	-	160
Braziletta-wood, Tons	-	-	-	-	36							

From the 25th March 1700, to 24th June following.

Brown Sugar	{ Hogsheads	-	-	-	11,462	Cotton, Bags	-	-	-	-	-	816
	{ Barrels	-	-	-	2,922		{ Hogsheads	-	-	-	-	2,468
	{ Tierces	-	-	-	818	Melasses { Barrels	-	-	-	-	-	242
White Sugar	{ Hogsheads	-	-	-	61		{ Tierces	-	-	-	-	186
	{ Barrels	-	-	-	56	Rum for the other { Hogsheads	-	-	-	-	-	924
	{ Tierces	-	-	-	20	Plantations { Barrels	-	-	-	-	-	1,130
Ginger	{ Bags	-	-	-	5,394	Tierces	-	-	-	-	-	1,042
	{ Hogsheads	-	-	-	31	Kegs	-	-	-	-	-	100
	{ Barrels	-	-	-	168	Some small Parcels of Wood, Aloes, and Lime-juice.						

Each Hogshead of *Barbadoes* Sugar contains 7 C. Weight.

Exported from *Virginia*, one Year with another, from 35, to 40,000 Hogsheads of Tobacco.

Exported from *Maryland*, one Year with another, from 25 to 30,000 Hogsheads of Tobacco.

Each Hogshead of Tobacco usually contains 5 C. Weight.

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By the Abstracts of the Custom-house Books, it appears, the Importations and Exportations from, and to, the several Plantations, from Michaelmas 1697, to Michaelmas 1698, were as follows: Improvement of Trade.

	Imported into England from the Plantations.	Exported from England into the Plantations.
Barbadoes - - - - -	£. 308,089	£. 146,849
Nevis - - - - -	54,748	14,547
Antegoa - - - - -	52,903	20,756
Mountserratt - - - - -	24,421	3,369
Jamaica - - - - -	189,566	120,774
Bermuda - - - - -	2,926	3,970
Carolina - - - - -	9,265	18,460
Bahama Islands - - - - -	184	—
Virginia and Maryland - - - - -	174,052	310,133
Pensylvania - - - - -	2,720	10,701
New-York - - - - -	8,763	25,278
New-England - - - - -	31,254	93,475
Hudson's Bay - - - - -	8,031	2,852
£.	866,922	771,164

From Christmas 1698, to Christmas 1699.

	Imported into England from the Plantations.	Exported from England to the Plantations.
Barbadoes - - - - -	£. 273,947	£. 150,968
Nevis - - - - -	74,857	16,477
Antegoa - - - - -	109,440	30,435
Mountserratt - - - - -	23,162	7,159
Jamaica - - - - -	174,844	136,690
Bermuda - - - - -	58	1,330
Carolina - - - - -	12,326	11,599
Bahama Islands - - - - -	—	302
Virginia and Maryland - - - - -	198,115	205,074
Pensylvania - - - - -	4,540	17,062
New-York - - - - -	16,818	42,781
New-England - - - - -	26,660	127,277
Hudson's Bay - - - - -	4,235	944
£.	919,002	747,898

Newfoundland.] Upon the sending a Convoy, this Year, to Newfoundland, under the Command of Captain Graydon, we gave him several Heads of Inquiry relating to the Trade and Fishery of those Parts; with particular Regard to the late Act of Parliament for the better Regulation thereof: We likewise gave such Heads of Instructions to Mr. Larkin, before-mentioned, as we conceived proper, with relation to that Trade, and have, from them, received Accounts; the chief Particulars whereof are as follows:

That, in general, the Inhabitants have not a due Regard to the several Regulations for the more advantageous Management of the Fishery; it being found, that, Northward of St. John, as far as Carbonier, and to the Southward, as far as Ferryland, the Trees are ruined, and the Woods destroyed, as much as before the late Act.

That the Admirals, and Masters of Ships, do not exactly observe the Rules prescribed by Act of Parliament:

That, as to the Admirals keeping Journals and Accounts, there are few of them capable of doing it, as the Law directs:

That the Admirals, before the 20th of August, will hear some Complaints; but after that time, none are made to them; they being generally the greatest Offenders themselves:

That the Vessels from New-England supply the People of Newfoundland with Provisions, viz. Bread, Beef, Pork, Flour, Peas, Butter, Boards, and great Quantities of Virginia Tobacco:

That the European Commodities, carried to Newfoundland by the Masters of English Ships, are as follows:

From France, Brandy, Wine, Salt, Linen, Canvas, Paper, Hats, and Silk:

From Spain, Wine, Brandy, and Iron: And,

From Portugal, Wine, Brandy, Salt, Oil, and Linen:

All which Goods are sold, or trucked, with the Traders from New-England, for Tobacco, Sugar, and other of the enumerated Commodities, which they carry to foreign Parts; so that, at the latter end of the Year, the Masters are wholly taken up in the Management of that illegal Trade, which might, in some measure, be prevented, had the Officer or Officers, commanding his Majesty's Ships, Power, like that of a Custom-house Officer, to seize such Goods:

That the New-England Traders seldom depart the Country, till the Men of War are first sailed; and then they carry with them Numbers of Handicraftsmen, Seamen, and Fishermen, whom they entice thither, in Expectation of great Wages:

That the Masters of Ships are very negligent in bringing their Men Home; whereby they save the Charge of their Passage; and those Men, so left, are enticed, and carried, to New-England:

That the Reason, why the New-England Men do fish upon the Coast of Newfoundland, besides their illegal Trade, is, that they may get those Men from thence; they having otherwise a more advantageous Fishery on their own Coast.

Against which Irregularities, we humbly offer, That a further Provision be made by some Bill, that shall pass this Honourable House, relating to Trade.

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An ACCOUNT of our Trade and Fishery, and of the Planters, for the Years following.

1698.									
Number of Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	252	Tons.
Burden of the said Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,318	
Number of Men belonging to the Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,179	
Number of the Boats belonging to the Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	532	929
Planters Boats	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	397	
Quantity of Fish made by Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	114,700	265,852 C. Weight.
Quantity of Fish made by the Inhabitants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	151,152	
Number of Inhabitants	Men	-	-	-	-	-	-	284	2,640
	Women	-	-	-	-	-	-	176	
	Children	-	-	-	-	-	-	286	
	Servants	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,894	
1699.									
Number of Fishing Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	166	234
Number of Sack Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	68	
Number of Fishing Ships Boats	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	669	1,241
Number of By-Boats	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	115	
Number of Inhabitants Boats	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	457	C. Weight.
Quantity of Fish made this Year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	372,300	
Number of Inhabitants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,099	
1700.									
Number of Fishing Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	171	220
Number of Sack Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49	
Number of Men belonging to the Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,960	1,564
Number of Fishing Ships Boats	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	800	
Number of By-Boats	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	90	C. Weight.
Number of Inhabitants Boats	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	674	
Quantity of Fish made this Year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	312,000	C. Weight.
Number of Inhabitants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,773	
1701.									
Number of Fishing Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75	121
Number of Sack Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46	
Burden of the Fishing Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,991	993
Number of Fishing Ships Boats	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	338	
Number of By-boats	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	97	C. Weight.
Number of Inhabitants Boats	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	558	
Number of By-Boatmen, &c.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	407	216,320
Quantity of Fish made by Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	79,820	
Quantity of Fish made by the Inhabitants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	136,500	C. Weight.
Quantity of Fish carried to Market	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	154,370	
Quantity of Train made by Ships	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,263	Hogsheads
Quantity of Train made by the Inhabitants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,533	
Number of Stages	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	544	3,796
Men	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	461	
Women	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	166	
Children	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	250	
Servants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,698	

We take Leave to add a short Account of the State of the *French* Trade, and Fishery, in those Parts.

Their Trade in Furs, upon *Newfoundland*, is very inconsiderable; and their Fishery is managed all by Fishing Ships, without making use of Sack Ships, or By-Boats, as the *English* do.

Their Plantations there do not increase; nor are they of any other Use than for preserving the Boats, Craft, and Goods, left by the Merchant Ships for the succeeding Voyage.

They fish upon the Banks in *Placentia* Bay, and upon the North-east Coast of *Newfoundland*.

*Placentia* is the only Place of Strength they have in the Country; which is daily fortified, and well furnished with Ammunition; and had new Supplies this Year; there being Three Companies of Foot, with Thirty Men in each Company.

They have the Fish a Month sooner in *Placentia* Bay, make their Fish with greater Dispatch, and leave the Country much sooner, than our People; and, consequently, may supply any Market they please before us.

To the *Bank* they send yearly a considerable Number of Ships, to fish there; who arrive about the Tenth of June, and depart the latter End of August.

State of Defence of the Plantations.] As to the Security of his Majesty's Plantations, we did, on the 10th and 25th of January 1700-1 humbly lay before his Majesty the State of the several Forts, and Fortifications in his Majesty's Colonies and Plantations in *America*, and of other Particulars necessary for the Defence of the same; and thereupon, for his Majesty's further Information, did, by his Majesty's Command, write to the several Governors, directing them to dispatch to us, with all Diligence, perfect Accounts of the State of Defence of the Plantations under their Government, and of the Stores and Materials of War there wanting, that we might report to his Majesty what might be required from the several Plantations, and what may be fit for his Majesty to do for their Defence: And, having thereupon received Answers from several Governors, and further considered the Condition of those Parts, with relation to the present Conjuncture, we have lately represented the same to his Majesty; and do humbly lay before this Honourable House,

That *Newfoundland* is of great Importance to this Kingdom, by reason of its Trade and Fishery: That the Place of chief Strength in it is *St. John's Harbour*; which is now fortifying by his Majesty's Order; the Garrison there,

there, by the Establishment, consisting of Eighty private Soldiers, besides Officers :

That we have been informed, from Captain *Richards*, the Engineer, That great Quantities of Materials were wanting from hence, for finishing the Forts ; and that he had engaged several Masters of Ships to bring each of them such Proportions in Ballast, at their next Return thither, as conveniently they might ; of which we have given Notice to the Office of his Majesty's Ordnance ; and are transacting with the Merchants and Owners of Ships, what in us lies, for the Furtherance of this Service :

That, on the Continent, his Majesty has a Dominion of a very large Extent, which, at present, requires a more especial Care :

That, as to the most Northern Parts, Colonel *Romer*, the Engineer, sent thither by his Majesty, having surveyed all the Coast from *St. George's River* to *Boston*, and sent us Draughts of the several Bays and Harbours, with the Condition of several Places on that Coast, which are thought necessary to be fortified ; we thereupon offer the following Account ; viz.

That, about Five Leagues to the Westward of *St. George's*, lies *Pemaquid*, a spacious River of great Consequence, as covering Three other Rivers ; at the Entrance of which River, within Two Leagues of the main Sea, formerly stood a Fort, which, in the late War, at the Approach of Two French Men of War, with an Hundred Soldiers, and Five hundred Indians, was surrendered by a Garrison appointed by the People of *New-England*, and demolished by the said French and Indians.

That, for the Security of this Fort and Harbour, and of all that Country, and to encourage the People to settle there as formerly, Colonel *Romer* advises, that a good Fort be built in the same Place, or thereabouts ; and, for its better Defence, in case of an Attack from the Sea, that a Battery be raised at the next Point of Land, and a Redoubt, or round Tower, on *St. John's Island* :

That *Piscataway* is a River of great Importance to Trade, and the Security of that Country ; being the Boundary between the Province of *Main* and *New Hampshire* ; and, on *Great Island*, so called, at the Mouth of this River, is a Fort of Thirty Guns, on *New Hampshire* Side, but incapable of defending the River ; the Place where the said Fort stands being very proper for building a new Fort, such as the growing Trade of that Place and Country requires, Colonel *Romer* has sent a Design thereof ; and adds, That a strong Tower on the Point of *Fryer's Island*, a Battery on *Wood Island*, and another Battery on *Clark's Island*, would be very necessary :

That the *Massachusetts Bay* has in it many Islands ; the chiefest whereof is *Castle Island*, not far from *Boston* ; upon which is a Fort, for securing the Passages and Channels of the Bay :

That, by a Memorial and Two Addresses, presented to his Majesty from the Council and Assembly of that Province, they represent their Unwillingness to comply with what has been required from them for their own Defence, and towards the Building of Forts in the neighbouring Province of *New Hampshire*, as well as with the Quota of Three hundred and Fifty Men, directed to be furnished by them, in case of Necessity, for the Security of the Frontiers of *New York* ; alleging, for Excuse, the Charge they have been at in building a small Fortification at *Casco Bay*, Fifty Miles to the Eastward ; and their being now actually at Work in raising Fortifications on *Castle Island*, in the Harbour of *Boston* ; which they esteem to be the Place of the greatest Consequence ; and representing withal, That the Fort at *Pimaquid*, which they were required to build, would be useless to them, as well as too chargeable ; which Place, nevertheless, being within their Territories, is generally esteemed of great Security to those Eastern Parts, bordering upon the French.

They further humbly signify their Desire, That his Majesty would be graciously pleased to assist them with Cannon, small Arms, and other Stores of War, for the Fortifications there ; as also, That some Ships of War,

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of greater Force than those at present in that Station, Improvement may be sent, for the better Guarding and Securing of of Trade the Coast, in case of War.

To which Colonel *Romer* adds, That the People there are unfit for any military Service, and stand in great need of a good Commander, with other subordinate Officers, and One hundred and Fifty Men, for the Defence of the new Fortification : That they want Fifty Cannon, of Twenty-four Pound to Eighteen Pound Ball, Two Mortars, Granadoes, and Bullets, in a reasonable Proportion, Four Thousand Hand Granadoes with their Fuzes, Six hundred Fire Arms, Four hundred Heads for Half-pikes, Two Master Gunners, and One Bombardier ; the said Colonel *Romer* informing us, that Four French Ships were lately arrived in *Accadie*, with a new Governor, and Six hundred Men ; which gave great Apprehensions to his Majesty's Subjects in the *Massachusetts Bay*.

Whereupon we have humbly represented, That his Majesty would be pleased to send thither some Cannon, and such a Quantity of small Arms demanded, as his Majesty should think fit ; as also to constitute, and immediately send thither, a Governor, and Lieutenant Governor, fit and proper to assert his Majesty's Authority in those Parts ; and also well qualified to compose the Factions that have divided the Inhabitants thereof ; and that such Governor, or Lieutenant Governor, should strictly admonish and require the Inhabitants to exert themselves, as well in fortifying those Parts, as in providing what may be necessary, in all respects, for their further Defence.

That *Connecticut*, being likewise a Frontier Province to the French, and the Inhabitants having been negligent of their own Security, we humbly offered, That his Majesty would be pleased to direct them to make due Preparations against an Attack ; and to be ready to assist their Neighbours of *New York*, and *New England* :

That, in the Province of *New York*, which is esteemed as the Centre of his Majesty's Plantations on the Continent, there is a Fort for the Security of that City and Harbour, which is in a tolerable good Condition : From thence, One hundred and Forty Miles up *Hudson's River*, is the Town and Fort of *Albany* ; and, about Twenty Miles further, on another River, lies *Schenectady* ; both which are of great Consequence towards the Security of those Parts ; and do therefore require an Assistance of Money to be sent thither, for the necessary Repairs, and adding what further Works may be wanting.

In the *Onondage* Country, a Fort was proposed, by the late Earl of *Bellomont*, towards the securing the Five Nations of Indians in their Allegiance to his Majesty ; for which Provision is already made, by his Majesty's Gift of Five hundred Pounds, and a Contribution of Fifteen hundred Pounds by the Assembly of *New York* ; though, upon the more pressing Necessity of repairing the Forts at *Albany* and *Schenectady*, we have given our Advice, that some Part of the said Fifteen hundred Pounds should be made use of towards that Service :

And whereas this Province has been at great Charge, for its own Defence, during the late War ; and is unable to sustain the Continuance of such a Charge, without some Help, his Majesty has been pleased further to assist them, upon several Occasions, with Stores of War ; and lately, upon sending of the Lord *Cornbury* thither, with a considerable Quantity of Ammunition : But, as for the Contributions which we did propose to his Majesty, as fit to be made by other Plantations on that Continent, and, in order to which, his Majesty has been pleased to send Letters to the respective Governors and Proprietors, the said Plantations have generally declined it, without giving any substantial Reason for the same : And, in Consideration thereof, we have again humbly offered, That his Majesty's Orders be renewed to those Plantations, in the most pressing Terms, That they do comply with his Directions therein, as a Matter of common Benefit and Security.

The Provinces of *East* and *West New Jersey* are without any Forts, or Places of Defence ; and being Properties, where

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where no regular Government hath ever been established, the great Disorders amongst them have now inclined the Proprietors to make Application to his Majesty, to accept of a Surrender of their pretended Right to Government, and to put them under a Governor appointed by his Majesty's immediate Commission; which Matter is now transacting, and a Form of Surrender returned from his Majesty's Attorney General, which the said Proprietors are to execute.

The Province of *Pensilvania* is likewise without Fortifications, and in no State of Defence; nor has any Progress been made therein by the Proprietor, notwithstanding our Instance to him on that Subject, by Order of the Lords Justices.

His Majesty's Provinces of *Maryland* and *Virginia*, being large Territories, and lying open by great Rivers, cannot so well be secured by Fortifications; but in both those Provinces, there is a well-regulated Militia, and Places of Rendezvous appointed for any Occasion: But we understand, that, at present, they are in want of a Supply of Small Arms and Ammunition.

The Provinces of *North* and *South Carolina* are under Proprietors, who do not take due Care to put that Country into a State of Defence, notwithstanding their being so exposed by the Neighbourhood of the *Spaniards*: We therefore have judged it necessary to the publick Service, that the said Proprietors be quickened, by an immediate Order from his Majesty, to perform their Duty herein, until some other Provision be made.

The *Bahama* Islands lying before the Gulph of *Florida*, and in the Way of all Ships that come from the *Havanna*, and the Bay of *Mexico*, it is of great Consequence to his Majesty's Service, that they be preserved from an Enemy. They belong to Proprietors, who ought to take care of them; but we have not been able to dispose those Proprietors to such Compliance, as was proper for his Majesty's Service therein. The Governor has lately desired some Force to keep the Fort there, built for Thirty-two Guns; which being of immediate Concern to the Proprietors, it is necessary that they be obliged to take some speedy Care therein.

In the *Bermuda* Islands there are Five little Castles; Three of which, lying at the Entrance of the easiest Passages to those Islands, are most considerable; where many of the Platforms being decayed, the Guns unserviceable, and Stores and Ammunition wanting, a Supply of such Stores have, upon our Representation to his Majesty, been lately sent. Captain *Bennet*, his Majesty's Commander in Chief in those Islands, has prevailed with the Assembly to pass an Act for repairing their Forts and Platforms; and has caused Trenches to be cast up in all Places where an Enemy may most probably attempt to land; so that, we hope, thereby, and the Company of Foot, which his Majesty has likewise sent thither, that Government is now in a good State of Defence.

As to *Jamaica*, we laid before his Majesty, in our Report of the 25th of January 1700-1, the Importance of that Island, with Draughts and Plans of the necessary Fortifications, and several Considerations and Proposals relating to the Defence of each Part thereof; and his Majesty has since been pleased to commissionate Brigadier *Selwyn* to be Chief Governor there: Upon which Occasion, his Majesty sent thither Two Regiments of Foot, with Stores and Ammunition, for the Defence of the said Island; and, upon the Arrival of Colonel *Selwyn* there, we expect to hear from him what Reinforcement of Men, and other Materials and Requisites of War, will be further wanting for the Security of that Island, and putting it into a Posture of offending an Enemy from thence; this Island lying, as it were, in the Centre of the *Spanish West Indies*, and of the *French Settlements*.

Sir *William Beeston*, his Majesty's late Governor of that Place, gives us an Account, That he had yet no News of his Majesty's Squadron, under the Command of Vice Admiral *Bembow*; but that he was credibly informed, That, about the Twentieth of September, Twenty-six Sail

were seen to Windward of *Martinico*, and the People of *Jamaica* supposed them to be *French*; which had engaged him to the putting the Island into as good a Posture of Defence as he could: That he has finished several small Works near *Port-Royal*, and caused the Bays, where most probably an Enemy may land, to be intrenched; he has further, by the Resolution of a Council of War, fortified the Town of *St. Jago* with a good Trench, regular Works, and Bastions; having Five hundred Negroes daily on those Works, at the Expence of the Island.

As to the *Leeward Islands*, at *St. Christopher's*, there is a Fort, called *Cleverly-Point* Fort, where Twenty Guns are mounted; *Brimstone-Hill* Fort, where there are Twelve Guns, and a small Platform, where is Six Guns: There being also Thirty Pieces of Cannon brought out of the *French* Part of this Island during the late War, Colonel *Codrington* has given Directions for the mounting and placing them, with all Speed; which being done, he conceives, that there is not Occasion, at present, for more Artillery there; nor does he specify any further Want of Materials relating to the Defence of that Island; but represents the Danger of it to be greater than any other, by reason of the *French* being possessed of One Half, and the Fate of it likely to be decided upon the breaking out of a War, as hath formerly happened.

At *Antegoa* are several little Forts and Platforms. The Governor proposes the sending of Twenty long Sakers, which may serve as well against the *Indians* as any other Enemy; as likewise, the building a small Fort at *Parham*, for which he desires Twelve Guns. He would also make a new Platform in another Place, where Privateers, in time of War, and unlawful Traders, in time of Peace, are very busy. He further adds, the great Want of Small Arms in this Island.

At *Nevis*, Colonel *Codrington* represents the Want of new Carriages for the Guns; and desires, further, Four long Sakers, Six Guns Twelve Pounders, and Six Eighteen Pounders, with a sufficient Quantity of Shot for them, and Five hundred Saker Shot for the Guns already in the Fort and Platforms, together with Twenty Barrels of Cannon Powder; his Majesty having been lately pleased to order Six hundred Firelocks to be sent to this Island, for as many Matchlocks returned from thence.

As to *Mountserrat*, the Governor represents the Island as able to defend itself; but fears a Danger from within, by an Insurrection, as happened upon breaking out of the last War; most of the Inhabitants of that Place being Papists.

His Majesty has, in these Islands, a Regiment of Foot, lately sent from *Ireland*; which wants to be strengthened, being of the lowest Complement.

The Island of *Barbadoes*, to the Windward, is naturally fortified by Rocks; and, for Defence of the Leeward Side, which is most exposed to an Enemy, there is now a Trench of Seven Feet broad, and Five Feet deep, all along the Coast; and, behind that, a Breast-work of loose Sand, about Six Feet high, and Three Feet broad at the Top: There are also, on that Side, several Redoubts; and at *Bridge-Town*, Two Forts, one at the Entrance of the Road, and the other within; which are the Defence of that Town and Road.

We have received from the Lord *Grey*, since his Arrival, a Memorial of what may be necessary for the Defence of this Island: That, upon a strict Survey of the State of the Fortifications, made by himself, and Commissioners appointed for that Purpose, he found, in Twenty-nine Forts and Batteries, Three hundred and Eight Guns of several Sorts; viz. Two Demi Cannon, Seventy-five Culverins, One hundred and Eight Demi Culverins, One hundred and One Sakers, and Twenty-two Minions; several of which were unserviceable: That most of the Forts and Batteries were out of Repair; his Lordship offering his Opinion, upon Consultation with the most experienced Inhabitants of the Island, That there be sent thither, at least One hundred great Guns, of Twelve Feet long, together with a suitable Proportion of Shot, and

and all other Ordnance Stores needful for them. He further says, That there is a Want of Small Arms and Shot.

Upon which Occasion, we humbly take Leave to inform this Honourable House, That the Inhabitants of this Island have, at all times, built their own Forts, and kept them in Repair at their own Expence; and have furnished themselves, for the most part, with Small Arms; but, at present they complain of their being deprived of the Revenue of 4½ per Centum, raised within that Island for their Fortifications, and other publick Uses; and of their being weakened by the great Expence they were at in assisting the *Leeward* Islands, during the late War; for which they desire a Compensation: But, as to such a Number of great Guns, as may be proper, with a due Proportion of Shot and Ammunition, as by them desired, we humbly conceive, they must be sent from *England*.

The Company of Merchants trading to *Hudson's Bay*, having a Factory in those Parts, represent, That they can no way be safe, unless some Care be taken by his Majesty of their Security, which they have particularized to us.

Which Demands, made by the several Colonies and Plantations before-mentioned, we conceive to be chiefly in View of a present Defence: But, in case of a War, we are humbly of Opinion, That a greater Quantity of Stores, and Materials of War, will be wanting; and that, in the principal and most considerable of those Plantations, it will be necessary, that there be Magazines of Ordnance Stores, of all Kinds, as well for the Defence of each respective Place, and of the Colonies adjoining, as for annoying the Enemy; who will be very watchful and active, in this Conjunction, to take Advantage against any of his Majesty's Plantations, which are of so great Importance to the Trade and Welfare of *England*.

We are also humbly of Opinion, That there be a like Provision there of Naval Stores, and Credit for his Majesty's Ships of War; which have often lain very long useless in Harbour in those Parts, by reason of their Want of Necessaries for refitting; which has been of great Prejudice to his Majesty's Service; the Safety of his Majesty's Dominions in *America* depending chiefly on the naval Force to be sent thither at proper Seasons, which may secure that Trade, and encourage the Planters, who will otherwise be apt to desert their Settlements.

Propriety Governments.] And as it appears by what we have before represented: That the Propriety Colonies are in a State wholly defenceless; and that the Proprietors and Charter Governments have not complied with what has been demanded of them, in reference to Trade, or with what may be necessary for the common Safety: That they have not conformed themselves to the Acts of Parliament, for the regulating Trade and Navigation; several of the Governors, nominated to such Propriety Governments, not having applied themselves to his Majesty, for his Approbation, nor taken the Oaths required by the Acts of Trade: That they have made Laws contrary and repugnant to the Laws of *England*, and directly prejudicial to Trade: That by raising and lowering their Coin, to their particular Advantage, and to the Prejudice of other Colonies, by exempting their Inhabitants from Duties and Customs, to which the other Colonies are subject, by harbouring Servants and Fugitives, and thereby encouraging the Desertion of his Majesty's Standing Forces in those Parts, these Governments tend greatly to the undermining the Trade of the other Plantations: That these independent Colonies do turn the Course of Trade, to the promoting and propagating Woollen Manufactures, proper to *England*, instead of applying their Endeavours to the Production of such Commodities as are fit to be encouraged in those Parts:

To redress which, and divers other great Abuses in those Colonies, and to introduce such an Administration of Justice, as might be duly subservient and useful to *England*, we have formerly humbly offered our Opinion thereupon to this Honourable House, and, in Consideration that the

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Cautions, given them herein, have not met with due Compliance, several Governors and Lieutenant Governors, not qualified according to the late Act of Parliament, having been appointed by those Proprietors, even since the last Session of Parliament, we cannot but continue in the same Opinion, that it may be very expedient, for the Ends above mentioned, and particularly for the mutual Defence of the Plantations, that the Charters of the several Proprietors and others, be, by the Legislative Power of this Kingdom, reassumed to the Crown; and that these Colonies be put into the same State of Dependency as other his Majesty's Plantations, without Prejudice to any Man's Property or Freehold; which, as it will greatly contribute to the Welfare of his Majesty's Subjects in those Parts, and to the Advantage of this Kingdom, is hereby humbly recommended to the Consideration of this Honourable House; together with the several other Particulars before enumerated; as most effectually tending to the Security of his Majesty's Plantations, and the Encouragement of Trade.

Improvement of Trade.

Names of the present Governors of his Majesty's Plantations in *America*.

<i>New Hampshire</i>	-	{ <i>Wm. Partridge</i> , Esquire, Lieutenant Governor.
<i>Massachusetts Bay</i>	-	{ <i>Joseph Dudley</i> , Esquire, Governor.
<i>New York</i>	-	- Lord <i>Cornbury</i> , Governor.
<i>Maryland</i>	-	{ <i>Nath. Blakiston</i> Esquire, Governor.
<i>Virginia</i>	-	{ <i>Fran. Nicholson</i> Esquire, Governor.
<i>Jamaica</i>	-	- Brigadier <i>Wm. Selwyn</i> , Governor.
<i>Leeward Islands</i>	-	{ <i>Christ. Codrington</i> Esquire, Governor.
<i>Barbadoes</i>	-	- <i>Mitford Crow</i> Esquire, Governor.
<i>Bermuda</i>	-	- <i>Benj. Bennet</i> Esquire, Lieutenant Governor.

There are several Governors and Lieutenant Governors within the Propriety and Charter Governments, whose Names are not herein inserted, because they are appointed and changed at Will, by the Proprietors and Corporations, without his Majesty's Knowledge, although required by the late Act for preventing Frauds, and regulating Abuses, in the Plantation Trade.

All which is most humbly submitted.

*Stamford*, *Ph. Meadows*,  
*Wm. Blathwait*, *Jo. Pollexfen*,  
*Mat. Prior*.

Ordered, That the said Answer do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Supply Committee of the whole House, who were to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirteen thousand Pounds, be allowed for Ammunition, and Supplying and Fitting out of the Train of Artillery, for the Service of the Year One Thousand Seven hundred and Two.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Nine thousand Pounds, be allowed for the Officers, and Attendance, belonging to the said Train.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Twelve Thousand Pounds, be allowed for Horses and Waggon for the said Train.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand Pounds, be allowed for Contingencies for the said Train.

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Resolved,



*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand Two hundred Seventy-three Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Nine-pence, be allowed for the Ordinary of the Office of Ordnance, for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven thousand Seven hundred Pounds, be allowed for supplying the Stores of the said Office with Two hundred Tons of Saltpetre.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordnance  
Stores.

*Ordered*, That the Officers of Ordnance do lay before this House an Abstract of all Stores, as they stood upon the last Account, in all the Storehouses under their Direction.

Attaining  
the Pre-  
tender.

*Ordered*, That the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for disagreeing to the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* of High Treason, do sit To-morrow Morning.

Publication  
of Libels.

The House being informed, That *William Fuller* was brought, according to the Order of Yesterday;

He was called in; and the Letter, by him wrote to Mr. Speaker Yesterday, was read; and he was asked several Questions by the House; and heard what he had to offer to the House.

And then withdrew.

And the Resolution of the House of Commons, the 24th of February 1691, concerning him, was read: And afterwards, the House came to this Resolution:

A Person  
ordered to be  
prosecuted.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That *William Fuller*, taking no Warning by the just Censure received from the House of Commons, the Twenty-fourth of February One thousand Six hundred and Ninety-one, and the Punishment he suffered by Judgment of Law, has again repeated his evil Practices, by several false Accusations, in divers scandalous Pamphlets, by him published; and, having undertaken to produce *Thomas Jones* Esquire, and *John Englesfield* Gentleman, to make good the said Accusations, and not performing the same, this House doth declare the said *William Fuller* to be a Cheat, a false Accuser, and an incorrigible Rogue.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Attorney General do prosecute the said *William Fuller* for his said Offences.

Security of  
King's Per-  
son and Suc-  
cession.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the Pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Sir *Charles Hedges* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Sir *Charles Hedges* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill; and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 6° die Februarii;

Anno 13° Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Counterfeit-  
ing Coin.

A BILL for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth and Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for the better

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preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

A Petition of the Provost and Corporation of Moneyers, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are obliged to make good all Gold and Silver committed to their Charge; and, upon any Expedition of Coinage, are forced to take Fifty, an Hundred, or more, strange Men, as Servants and Labourers, to dispatch the Business of the Mint; who often have robbed the Petitioners of great Sums of Money; who have been convicted thereof; but then have the Benefit of the Clergy: And praying, That for preventing such Robberies, and deterring their Servants from the same, those Crimes may be made Felony without the Benefit of Clergy.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee of the whole House.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the City and Liberty of the City of *Westminster*, *Tower* Hamlets, Borough of *Southwark*, *Holborne* and *Finsbury* Division, and all other Places within the Bills of Mortality, exempt of the City of *London*, and Liberties thereof, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Places do very much abound with poor Tradesmen and Labourers; who are daily arrested, and held to special Bail, for small Debts, under Forty Shillings; whereby many are ruined, the Gaols crouded, and whole Families at once thrown upon the Parish; which may be prevented, by establishing a Court of Conscience for those Places, as it is for *London*, *Bristol*, &c.: And praying that Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the Establishment of Courts of Request, or Conscience, in the Places and Liberties aforesaid.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Lake*, and Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Petition of *William Coe*, in the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for being guilty of Bribery, and corrupt Practices, in endeavouring to procure a Burgess to be elected for this present Parliament for the Borough of *Malden*, was presented to the House, and read; begging Pardon for his said Offence: And praying to be discharged of his said Confinement.

*Ordered*, That the said *William Coe* be brought to the Bar To-morrow Morning, in order to his Discharge.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered at a Conference with the Lords, for disagreeing to the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* of High Treason, That they had drawn up Reasons accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and, with an Amendment, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

That the Commons cannot agree to the Amendments, made by your Lordships, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* of High Treason; believing it may be of dangerous Consequence to attaint Persons by an Amendment only; in which Case, such due Consideration cannot be had, as the Nature of an Attainder does require.

*Resolved*, That a Conference be desired with the Lords upon the Subject-matter of the said Amendments.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do go to the Lords, and desire the said Conference.

Conference  
desired with  
Lords.

Attaining  
the Pre-  
tender.

Privilege—  
a Person  
petitions for  
discharge.

Moneyers  
Company.

Westminster  
Small Debts.

The

Quakers  
Affirmation.

The Lord *Chene* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for continuing an Act, intituled, An Act, That the solemn Affirmation and Declaration of the People called Quakers shall be accepted, instead of an Oath in the usual Form, was committed, That they had made an Amendment to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendment, be ingrossed.

Privilege—  
Persons  
petition  
for Dis-  
charge.

A Petition of *Edmund Sansum, Edward Brown, John Wayte, and Joseph Hancock*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for preferring to this House a scandalous, false and vexatious Petition, touching the Election for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*, was presented to the House, and read: Praying, That they may have their Liberty, and have Leave to repair to their Families and Employments.

Ordered, That the said *Edmund Sansum, Edward Brown, John Wayte, and Joseph Hancock*, be brought to the Bar of this House To-morrow Morning.

Half-pay.

A Petition of the Half-pay Officers, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have not been paid their Half-pay since the Eighteenth of August last, though it is chiefly their Support: And praying, that their Half-pay may be paid and continued from the said Eighteenth of August, till they shall be provided for.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Ditto.

Ordered, That an Account be laid before this House, of the Disposition of the Forty-one thousand Pounds provided for the Half-pay Officers the last Year.

Army  
Arrears.

A Petition of several Officers of the Army, in behalf of themselves and others, who have Arrears of pay due to them, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are subject to many pressing Debts, which they contracted during the late War, for the Support of themselves and Families; which they are utterly unable to pay, unless they receive the Arrears due to them for their Service: That some of the Petitioners have received Debentures upon the *Irish* Forfeitures; and the rest have no other expectation, when the Accounts of their Arrears shall be settled; and that those Debentures cannot be disposed of but at an extraordinary Loss, by Reason they bear no Interest: And praying, That such Interest may be allowed them, as shall be thought fit, upon their Debentures; that they may have some Proportion in Value to their Arrears, and thereby be enabled to pay their Debts, and put themselves into a Condition to serve their King and Country in the approaching War.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Sir Isaack Rebow,* } 108.  
                                  { *Mr. Offley:* }

Tellers for the Noes, { *Sir Roger Mostyn,* } 81.  
                                  { *Mr. Halsey:* }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Justices of  
Peace Qua-  
lification.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for qualifying Justices of Peace: And that *Sir John Bolles*, and *Mr. Vaughan*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Ordered, That they do also provide, in the said Bill, for the Qualifying Deputy Lieutenants.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a  
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Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they were informed there was a Report to be made of the Message sent to the Lords for a Conference.

*Sir Rowland Gwyn* reported, that he had, according to their Order, been at the Lords, to desire a Conference upon the Subject-matter of the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* of High Treason: The Lords do agree to a Conference, and appoint the same presently in the Painted Chamber.

Attaining  
the Pre-  
tender.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately after the Supply Conference, resolve itself again into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Ordered, That the Committee, who were appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered at the said Conference, do manage the Conference.

Conference  
with Lords.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And, being returned:

*Sir Rowland Gwyn* reported, That they had met the Lords at the Conference; and given the Lords the Reasons for disagreeing to the said Amendments; and left the Bill, and Amendments, with the Lords.

Then the House, according to Order, resolved itself again into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Sabbati, 7<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

Anno 13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Hoymen, Freeholders, and Farmers, of the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That \* \* \* \* \* That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter of Fact; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

Masters of  
Hloys carry-  
ing Provi-  
sions.

And it is referred to Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Robert Marsham*, *Sir Edward Turner*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Clayton*, *Sir Jo. Packington*, *Sir Phil. Boteler*, Mr. *Manley*, Major General *Erle*, Mr. *Williams*, Colonel *Lee*, Colonel *Crawford*, Mr. *Barrell*, Mr. *Bromley*, *Sir Cha. Barington*, *Sir Sam. Barnardiston*, *Sir Wm. Phippard*, Mr. *Papillon*, Mr. *Joliffe*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Paice*, Mr. *Lowndes*, *Sir Henry Dutton Colt*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Fitch*, Mr. *Finch*, Mr. *Blisse*; and all that serve for *Kent*, *Essex*, *London*, *Middlesex*, *Surry*, *Norfolk*, *Suffolk*; and all the Merchants of the House: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

A Petition of the Commissioners for rebuilding and finishing the Cathedral Church of *St. Paul's, London*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at *Michaelmas* One thousand Seven hundred, One-third Part of the Revenue for building the said Church is appropriated to pay the Orphans Debt; and so considerable Parts of the Remainder are also appropriated to *Westminster Abbey*, the Parochial Churches of *London*, and *St. Thomas*.

St. Paul's  
Cathedral.

*Thomas' Hospital*; which, with the Debts due for the same, so greatly sinks the Revenue, that very little Progress can be made in the said Building, unless an additional Supply be granted; which if given, the Petitioners, with good Reason, hope the said Cathedral may be finished in Five Years time: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Punishing  
Mutiny and  
Desertion.

A Bill for punishing Officers and Soldiers that shall mutiny or desert in *England* or *Ireland* was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House, upon the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for the more effectual Punishment of Seamen in actual Service and Pay, for Crimes committed when they are on Shore.

Clandestine  
Importations  
from France.

A Petition of divers Merchants, Linen-drappers, and others, trading in the Linen Manufactures, in the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by reason of divers Persons importing, in a clandestine Way, many Parcels of Linen, and other Goods, from *France*, without paying Customs, they sell them at much cheaper Rates than the fair-dealing Merchant can do, by at least 20 per Centum: And praying, That an Act may pass for the total Prohibition of Linen, and all other Manufactures of *France*, as the *French* have done of all *English* Manufactures; or to prevent the Importation of them in a clandestine Way.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for preventing all clandestine Importation of Goods from *France*, and other Places: And that Sir *William Ashurst*, Sir *Walter Yonge*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Sir *Edw. Seymour*, Mr. *Papillon*, Mr. *Moor*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Derby  
County  
Election.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to withdraw the Petition of the Marquis of *Hartington*, touching the Election for the County of *Derby*.

Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Monday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Providing for  
Half-pay  
Officers.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will be graciously pleased to provide for the Officers upon Half-pay, in the First place, in the Recruits and Levies now to be made.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Privilege—  
A Person re-  
primanded  
and dis-  
charged.

*William Coe* was, according to Order, brought to the Bar: Where he, upon his Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker.

*Ordered*, That the said *William Coe* be discharged out of Custody, paying his Fees.

Mr. Speaker  
communi-  
cates a  
Letter.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had, since he took the Chair, received a Letter from Mr. *Tho. Colepeper*; which he desired might be communicated to the House.

*Ordered*, That the Letter be read.

And the Letter was read accordingly.

Motion for  
considering  
the Rights  
and Privi-  
leges of the  
House.

A Motion being made, That the House will appoint a Day to take into Consideration the Rights and Privileges of the House of Commons;

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned until after the Report touching the Election for the Borough of *Maidstone* be taken.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to the said Committee, touching the Election for the Borough of *Maidstone*, in the County of *Kent*; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the Petition of *Thomas Colepeper* Esquire complaining of an undue Election of *Tho. Blisse* Esquire, to serve for the Borough of *Maidstone*.

That, upon the Poll, there were,

For Mr. *Blisse* - - - 339.

For Mr. *Colepeper* - - - 337.

That the Right of Election was agreed to be in the Freemen not receiving Alms or Charities.

But the Petitioner's Counsel insisted, That they should take off Eight from the Sitting Member's Poll, as Almsmen.

And it appeared, by the Evidence of *Rob. Barwick*, *Thomas Sabb*, and *Rob. Jeffries*, that *Cornelius Pollard* and *John Woodgate* received Relief of the Parish.

That it was testified by *Sabb*, That *Peter Clupper* had likewise received Half a Crown weekly ever since *Easter*; but is Beadle; and *Sabb* could not say whether he received it as Beadle, or as a lame Man: And that the other Two Beadles have Half a Crown a Week; and *Clepper* has no other Pay as Beadle:

That it was testified also by *Barwick* and *Sabb*, That *William Downes* had weekly Relief out of the Extraordinaries; which has been paid him since *Christmas*: And that *Henry Robinson* lives in a Town Alms-house, being allowed only House-rent: That *John Woodfield*, *John Banks*, and *George Jeffreys*, live in some Alms-houses given by Sir *John Banks*; and *Jeffries* received Relief last Year, before he went into that House, but does not receive any now: And that *Woodfield* is a Smith, and does exercise his Trade.

That the Petitioner's Counsel also insisted, That there had been several ill Practices used by the Sitting Member: And they called several Witnesses:

*Ithnah Wright*: Who said, That *John Woodfield* was brought to poll by *Finch's* Man: And *Wright* asking *Woodfield* why he would vote contrary to his Inclinations; *Woodfield* said, He had Orders to be for Mr. *Blisse*, or otherwise he would have been for Mr. *Colepeper*.

*Rich. Ravenhill* said, That, on the Fourteenth of November, he was at *Marshall's*, who keeps the *Crown and Scepter* in *Maidstone*: And Mr. *Blisse* came, and drank: And, going away, Mr. *Blisse* desired to pay his Reckoning, and pulled out a Guinea: Which the Landlord took up, and told the Scores: And then said, There was 16 s. to pay, and 5 s. 6 d. to come in; which they drank, and afterwards spent their Two-pence apiece: He said, He believed there were Half a Score present, whereof he named Four that voted for Mr. *Blisse*; but himself voted for Mr. *Colepeper*; and he could not say, that Mr. *Blisse* did ask any of them for their Votes: He said, at the same time, Mr. *Blisse* gave his Wife 10 s. for her Brother, to pay an old Debt.

*Rob. Jeffries* acknowledged, That he had received the said 10 s. of his Sister, which was for an old Debt, which Mr. *Blisse* had owed him Ten Years, and formerly had denied to pay: The said *Jeffries* also said, He was present at the Time spoken of by *Ravenhill*; and that there were several drinking, at *Marshall's* House, Drink, and Mr. *Blisse's* Health: And that Mr. *Blisse*, before he went away, put his Hand into his Pocket, and put something into *Marshall's* Hand, which, *Marshall* afterwards told him, was a Guinea.

*Samuel Webb* said, That he kept the *Three Conyes*: And that Captain *Blisse* came to his House on the Fifteenth of November,

November, and brought one *George Varnill* with him; and called for a Mug of Ale, and drank, with some others: That Mr. *Blisse* asked the said *Webb* for his Vote: But *Webb* said, He would not promise; whereupon the Captain threw down 5s. and went away: *Webb* said, All the Company, but himself, voted for Mr. *Blisse*; but the said *Webb* voted for Mr. *Colepeper*.

*Robert Collins*, *Chr. Dawson*, said, They were at the *Anchor and Hope*, the Fourteenth of November, with Five others, the best Part of an Hour; and that Mr. *Blisse*, when he went away, put his Hand in his Pocket, and threw down Two Half-crowns, which the Landlord took up: And Mr. *Blisse* said, He did not ask them for their Votes, but hoped they would stand by him: That one of the Persons worked in Mr. *Blisse's* Hop Garden: That they did not pay for the Drink themselves, nor see any body else pay any thing; and that Five of the Company voted for Mr. *Blisse*.

*Tho. Hodges* said, That he was at the *Monk's Head*, on the Fifteenth of November, with some of his Neighbours; and Mr. *Blisse* came in, and said, He hoped there were none there but Friends: That Mr. *Blisse* threw down something: And the Master said, The Reckoning was paid; but, what it was, he could not tell, whether more than 6d.: And *Hodges* said, He voted for Mr. *Colepeper*.

*John Poston* said, He voted for Sir *Robert Marsham*, and Mr. *Colepeper*; and that he was with about Twenty others, the Saturday before the Election, at the *Chequer*, drinking Mr. *Blisse's* Health; and they had Twenty Pots of Flip, at the least: And he was also at the *Three Tuns*, after the Writs were out, and before the Election, where they drank as much Beer and Brandy as they pleased, and nobody asked for any Money; but Mr. *Blisse* furnishes both Houses: *Poston* said, Mr. *Blisse* was not present at any of those Two Meetings; neither was there any Talk of voting, nor did Mr. *Bliss* invite any body.

*Joseph Hill* said, That one *Johnson* endeavoured to get Votes for Mr. *Blisse*; and *Johnson* offered him a Bottle of Wine, and said, If that would not do, he would give him 10s.: And that, the Day before the Election, there was, at the *Chequer*, Beer, Brandy, Oysters, Bread and Cheese: That himself paid nothing; and Mr. *Blisse* threw down 1s. and serves that House with Drink.

*John White* said, He was, at the time mentioned by *Poston*, at the *Three Tuns*, where were about Twenty others, and he did see nobody pay; but Mr. *Blisse* was not present: That he voted for Mr. *Colepeper*; for which *Robert Hooker*, the Master, was angry with him, because he had drank at Mr. *Blisse's* Cost.

*William Boreman* said, That he was at the *Green Dragon*, where were Two Freemen; and Captain *Blisse* came in, and desired the Man of the House his Vote; which he denied: And Mr. *Blisse* called for a Pot, and threw down 1s. which they drank out.

*George King* said, That he was one of them that did eat at the *Chequer*, and nothing to pay; and that Mr. *Blisse* desired his Vote, and promised him his Work: And whispered him, and said, Moreover, he would give him a Piece of Money.

\* *Congrell* said, He was at *Pearce's* House a Day or Two before the Election, and eat about Three Mouthfuls of Victuals: That he voted for Mr. *Blisse*; and after the Election, *Pearce* gave him Two Shillings.

*Roger Easton* said, He was no Freeman; but, Four or Five Days before the Election, he was at *Rigden's* House, in the Kitchen, and there were about Half a Dozen of them, and they drank to the Value of 1s.: That he saw Mr. *Bliss* give *Rigden* something, which, he believes, was the Reckoning; and that himself paid nothing: That there were also about Twenty Freemen eating and drinking at the *Windmill*, for which they did not pay; and Mr. *Bliss* was there, and asked the Gentlemen, how they did; and said, They were welcome.

*Samuel Coachman* said, That, a Day or Two before the Election, himself, with some others, to the Number of Ten or a Dozen, were at the *Chequer*, where they had Pork and Peas for Dinner, and what Beer they would drink;

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and that Mr. *Vincent*, the Landlord, who voted for Mr. *Blisse*, said, It was his Treat: He said, There was no Discourse about Votes; and that himself voted for Mr. *Colepeper*.

*Susan Fletcher* said, That Mr. *Blisse* came to her, and desired her Husband's Vote; telling her, That her Husband's was a leading Vote; and, if they did not choose him, they had as good take a Rope, and hang him; and, if she had Occasion for 5 or 10l. she should have it.

*Tho. Mortimer* said, That he was at the *Black Boy* the One-and-twentieth of November; and Mr. *Blisse* gave his Wife 6d. to treat a Couple of Collar-makers; and desired him to make some of them People for him, but he could not.

*John Cavell* said, That one sent for him to *Marshal's*, at the *Chequer*; where after a little while, one called him out, and desired him to be for Mr. *Blisse*; and told him, He should not come into Mr. *Blisse's* House: That, afterwards, Mr. *Blisse* desired his Vote; but... did vote for Mr. *Colepeper*.

*Ithamah Wright* said, That, the Beginning of November, upon the Talk of the Dissolution of the last Parliament, Mr. *Blisse* understanding the said *Wright* had declared his Interest, Mr. *Blisse* told him, He had no Children, and should remember his Friends; and, the said *Wright* not complying with Mr. *Blisse*, he told the said *Wright*, he might have Cause to repent it.

That, the Eighteenth or Nineteenth November, some Link-boys broke his Windows: And, on the Twenty November, between Eight and Nine a Clock, there was a great Tumult of about Twenty Persons got together, with a Trumpet and a Drum before them, who broke his Windows, and affrighted his Wife into Fits; and, amongst them, was one *Moor*, Mr. *Blisse's* Head Brewer, and one *Mills*, another of his Servants.

Mrs. *Eliz. Wattle* said, She could say nothing as to the Election; but said Mr. *Blisse* came to her, to desire her Interest: Upon which Mrs. *Wattle* told him, That the King did not like him, and had sent him Home; and she desired to please the King: And Mr. *Blisse* replied, A Usurper! and, Kings would be arbitrary; and, He could not go out of his House, without being ready to tumble on a Cess Book: That she made Affidavit of this Matter; and a tumultuous Rabble, the same Day, broke open her Door, and broke her Windows.

The Committee examined into the Circumstances of this Matter: And she gave an Account, how she made Two Affidavits relating to it; the latter being, to supply the Defect of Time, not mentioned in the First; but, it being not strictly to this Matter, I only mention it in general.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel insisted, That the Petitioner had more who received Alms, that voted for him, than there was of that Sort, who voted for the Sitting Member: That they would justify the Sitting Member in relation to the ill Practices charged upon him, and prove several ill Practices by the Petitioner: And called several Witnesses.

As to the Guinea given in Evidence to be spent at *Marshal's* House, the *Chequer*; the Sitting Member called,

*John Marshal* himself: Who said, That Mr. *Blisse*, upon *Marshal's* taking that House of Mr. *Blisse* about Three Quarters of a Year before, did promise to give him something for House-warming; which Promise he renewed several times: That, on the Thirteenth or Fourteenth of November, accordingly, he gave him a Guinea, which the said *Marshal* gave to his Wife: That, at the Time spoken of by the Petitioner's Witnesses, there were several others present, as well as Freemen; and some of them went away without paying; and one *Hywood* said, He would pay when he had Money: But the said *Marshal* denied that any Money was spent on the Account of the Election; and said, That Mr. *Blisse* told him, If he did draw any Drink on his Account, it would be as much as his Election was worth.



Maidstone  
Election.

*Alexander Wallis, Thomas Mills*, said, That *Mr. Blisse*, about *Midsummer* last, did promise *Marshall* something towards Housekeeping.

*Tho. Mills* said, That, at the Beginning of the Election, he was sent by *Mr. Blisse* to several Publick-houses in *Maidstone*, particularly to the *Chequer*, *Three Tuns*, the *Ship*, the *Monk's-Head*, the *Crown*, the *Lion*, the *Plume of Feathers* and *Shears*, to forbid them to treat upon his Account.

*Tho. Moor* also said, That, about a Week before the Election, he was sent, by *Mr. Blisse*, to several Publick-houses, to forbid Treating.

The next Thing the Sitting Member's Counsel applied themselves to, was, to disqualify some of the Petitioner's Voters.

*Zac. Collison* said, That *John Farrington* received Alms of the Parish; and he had given *William Corford* Monies Four or Five times, but not weekly; and the last Time was Half a Year since:

That *James Howard* received Half a Year ago, being in Prison; and not since he had his Liberty; but his Wife had received weekly the Year before:

That *Benjamin Gregson* was dumb; but it was acknowledged he did buy and sell:

And that *John Baptist* is a Foreigner; but it was acknowledged he followed the Trade of a Barber in *Maidstone*.

That the next Thing the Sitting Member's Counsel proceeded on, was, a Charge of Bribery, by or on the behalf of the Petitioner: And called,

*John Heley*: Who said, That he came to *London* some time before the Election; and got the Names of about Ten Freemen, and returned to *Maidstone*, and acquainted *Mr. Colepeper* with it: That, before the Election, he had Occasion to go to *London* again; and *Mr. Colepeper* bid him get those Freemen down, and use his own Means: That *Mr. Colepeper* also drew a Bill upon my Lord *Colepeper* for 40 *l.* which he desired the said *Heley* to bring down with him; but he ignorantly gave to the said Ten Freemen in *London* from 10 to 25 Shillings a Man, to bring them down: He said, He did desire their Votes for *Mr. Colepeper*; but Two or Three of them turned Cat-in-pan, and voted for *Mr. Blisse*.

*David Copstick*, one of those Freemen who lived in *Southwark*, said, He received of *Heley* Twenty-four or Twenty-five Shillings.

*Oliver Simons*, another of those Freemen, acknowledged, He received 20 *s.* of the said *Heley*, and voted for *Mr. Colepeper*, otherwise he would have voted for *Mr. Blisse*.

*Richard Leder*: That, on the Thirteenth Day of November, *Mr. Colepeper* laid down a Guinea, at the *Castle* in *Maidstone*, to be drank; and that the said *Leder*, and other Freemen, drank of it: He said, *Mr. Colepeper* desired their Votes; but he voted for *Mr. Blisse*.

*William Ward* said, That *Mr. Colepeper*, Four or Five Days before the Election, gave to *Daniel Comber*, 10 *s.* to be spent amongst the Freemen; and he also gave 10 *s.* to *Henry Ward*, upon the same Account.

*Tho. Symonds* said, That *Mr. Colepeper*, about Ten Days before the Election, gave him 5 *s.* to spend among the People: And that one *Catlin* told him, That *Mr. Colepeper* gave him 20 *s.* for his Vote: *Symonds* voted for *Mr. Blisse*.

*George Ward* said, That *Mr. Thomas Colepeper*, at several times, put into his Hands the Value of Two Guineas, to drink at several times; and told the said *Ward*, If he would vote for him, the said *Ward* should get 20 *l.* a Year by his Trade; and, if he was turned out of the House he then lived in, he should live in a House of *Mr. Colepeper's*.

The next Head the Sitting Member's Counsel proceeded to, was, that of Libels and Reflections by the Petitioner.

*William Wowsden* produced a Letter, with a printed Paper in it, which, he said, was brought to his House by a Person unknown, and brought to him by his Man: And *Mr. Taylor* said, The Letter was *Mr. Thomas*

*Colepeper's* Hand: And the said printed Paper was read; and is called, A Letter to the Freeholders and Freemen of *England*.

*William Thacker* said, That he was sent by *Mr. Thomas Colepeper* to *Dr. Smith*, for some Papers; and he brought away with him about Five Quires, and delivered the same to his Master: And, the next Day, several Freemen, that came to his Master, when they came from him, brought down Papers with them.

And, one of those Papers being produced, it appeared to be the same Paper with that received by *Mr. Wowsden*, in *Mr. Colepeper's* Letter: And

*William Thacker* said further, That, upon Sunday the Sixteenth of November, *Dr. Smith*, *Mr. Thomas Colepeper*, Captain *White*, Captain *Robinson*, and *Mr. Hamilton*, dined at *Sir Thomas Colepeper's*; and, amongst other Discourse one said, That *Mr. John How* had delivered an Address to his Majesty, and that his Majesty had received him with a particular Favour: Whereupon *Dr. Smith* said, It was a devilish Lie, and the Party would say any thing; but they must outlye them.

He also gave an Account of some Discourse at *Mr. Colepeper's* House, at Dinner, in relation to what *Mr. Blisse* had said to *Mrs. Wattle*; and how at first it was reported, that *Mrs. Wattle* would not stand to it: Afterwards he heard she was willing to do any thing to serve *Mr. Colepeper*, but would not take away *Mr. Blisse's* Life: And that, they being talking about that Matter, one said, If *Mr. Blisse* would have quitted his Interest, *Mrs. Wattle* would not have sworn to it: And *Mr. Colepeper* said, She would not: And the said *Thacker* gave an Account of several other Circumstances; which, not being directly to the Election, and difficult to be collected, I refer to the Memory of Gentlemen of the Committee, which was very well attended.

*Tho. Swinnock* said, That *Mr. Francis Brook* desired of *Dr. Smith*, that he would be kind to his Neighbours: And *Dr. Smith* said, That the tumultuous Proceedings at the Election were a great Matter in *Mr. Colepeper's* Petition; and they must make a Riot of it, or it would go against *Mr. Colepeper* in the House.

*John Wylett* said, That *Thacker*, when he served *Sir Robert Guildford*, pretended to be a Roman Catholick, and went not to Church.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Thomas Blisse* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Maidstone*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Thomas Colepeper* Esquire hath been guilty of corrupt, scandalous, and indirect Practices, in endeavouring to procure himself to be elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Maidstone*.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Thomas Blisse* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Maidstone*.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

A printed Libel, mentioned in the said Report, to be sent, in a Letter, by the said *Mr. Colepeper*, intituled, "A Letter to the Freeholders and Freemen of *England*," was read:

And an Amendment being proposed to be made to the said Second Resolution, by adding, after "Esquire," these Words, "who was one of the Instruments in promoting "and presenting the scandalous, insolent, and seditious "Petition, commonly called the *Kentish* Petition, to the "last House of Commons:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That *Thomas Colepeper* Esquire, who was one of the Instruments in promoting and presenting the scandalous, insolent, and seditious



seditionous Petition, commonly called the *Kentish* Petition, to the last House of Commons, hath been guilty of corrupt, scandalous, and indirect Practices, in endeavouring to procure himself to be elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Maidstone*.

*Resolved*, That the aspersing the last House of Commons, or any Member thereof, with receiving *French* Money, or being in the Interest of *France*, was a scandalous, villainous, and groundless Reflection, tending to Sedition, and to create a Misunderstanding between the King and his People.

*Resolved*, That *Thomas Colepeper* Esquire is guilty of promoting the said scandalous, villainous, and groundless Reflection upon the said House of Commons.

*Ordered*, That the said *Thomas Colepeper* Esquire be, for his said Offence, committed to his Majesty's Gaol of *Newgate*: And that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrants accordingly.

*Ordered*, That his Majesty's Attorney General do prosecute the said *Tho. Colepeper* Esquire for the said Crimes.

Mr. Colepeper committed to Newgate.

Rights and Privileges of the House.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate touching the appointing a Day to take into Consideration the Rights and Privileges of the House of Commons.

*Resolved*, That this House will appoint a Day to take into Consideration the Rights, Liberties, and Privileges, of the House of Commons.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into Consideration the Rights, Liberties, and Privileges, of the House of Commons.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 9<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;*

Anno 13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Windsor Deanery Estate.

A BILL for enabling the Dean and Canons of the King's free Chapel of *St. George*, within his Castle of *Windsor*, to take from his Majesty, in Exchange for divers Parcels of Land belonging to them, other Lands or Rents, of like Value, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *John Stonehouse*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Farrar*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Topham*, Mr. *Kingston*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Jacob*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Richards*, Lord *Chenie*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Pitfeild*, Mr. *Barrell*, Mr. *Mitford*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Cor*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Wild*, Mr. *Gee*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Renda*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Sir *Hen. Peachy*, Mr. *Blagrove*, Mr. *Jenens*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Apothecaries exempt from Parish Offices.

A Petition of several Persons, Inhabitants in the City of *London*, for and on behalf of themselves, and other the Inhabitants of the said City, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by reason of a late Act of Parliament for exempting Apothecaries from serving on Parish and Ward Offices, many Inhabitants have been forced to serve those Offices twice over, and others to serve them many Years sooner than they ought, to their great Prejudice; which Act is near expiring: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Clause, to be added to the Bill depending in the House for reviving the Act, intituled, An Act for exempting Apothecaries from serving the Offices of Constable, Scavenger, and other Parish and Ward Offices; and from serving upon Juries; that the said Bill may not extend to any Apothecaries inhabiting within the City of *London*, or the Liberties thereof.

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And the House being acquainted, That the Committee, to whom the said Bill was committed, had gone through the Bill; and desired it to be reported to the House;

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the said Report shall be made.

A Petition of the Churchwardens, on behalf of themselves, and other Inhabitants of the several Parishes in the Borough of *Southwark*, in the County of *Surry*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Inhabitants of the said Borough are generally poor Persons, and seafaring Men; so that the rest find the serving of Parish Offices greatly prejudicial to them, and often come yearly to their Turns, especially within Seven Years last; occasioned by an Act of Parliament for exempting Apothecaries from those Offices, who are more able to pay the usual Fines of the Poor, than those who are....exempted to pay; and yet the Apothecaries are endeavouring to get the said Act, which is near expiring, revived: And praying, That the said Act may not be continued; or that a Clause may be added, That the Apothecaries in the said Borough may pay the usual Fines, when they shall be appointed to serve the said Offices, if they refuse to execute the same.

Apothecaries exempt from Parish Offices.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report of the said Bill shall be made.

A Petition of the Lady of the Manor, Masters of Ships, Mariners, Freeholders, and other Inhabitants, of the ancient Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, and other Places adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Piers of the said Port are almost ruined, and the Harbour choked up with Sands: That the Port is one of the principal Nurseries for Seamen and Fishermen on the Northern Coast, having One hundred and Twenty Sail belonging to it, of Three hundred and Twenty Tons Burden, and downwards; and is capable of holding above Five hundred Sail of Ships at once; and is so commodiously situated, that Ships may sail out with any Wind that is fit to put to Sea, and come in with any Wind that causes a Storm there; but the said Town is unable to repair the said Piers: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the rebuilding and maintaining the said Piers in good Repair.

Whitby Harbour.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *William Hustler*, Sir *John Bolles*, and Mr. *Nicholas*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Petition of several Inhabitants of *Portsmouth*, *Gosport*, *Fareham*, and other Places adjacent, on behalf of themselves, and many others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is remaining due to the Petitioners, and others thereabouts, for quartering sick and wounded Seamen, above 20,000 *l.*; the Want of which disables them to pay their Debts, or to provide for such as may be quartered on them hereafter: And praying, That some Course may be taken for Payment of what is due to them.

Sick and Wounded Seamen.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Sir *Edward Hussey*, presented to the House, according to Order, a Bill for the easier Recovery of Servants Wages; and for the Punishment of idle and disorderly Servants: And the same was received.

Servants Wages.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

The Earl of *Ranelagh*, according to Order, presented to the House an Abstract of what has been paid to the Officers, for their Half-pay, from *Michaelsmas* One thousand Seven hundred.

Half-pay.

Which was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Paid

Paid to the said Officers for their Half-pay, from the 30th of September 1700, to the 24th of December following inclusive, pursuant to the Establishment, and Certificates from the Commissary General of the Musters - - - - -	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
	9,251	5	0			
Paid the said Officers, more, for their Half-pay, from the 25th of December 1700, to the 24th of June 1701 inclusive, per like Establishment, Certificates, &c. - - - - -	20,666	5	9			
Paid the said Officers, more, for their Half-pay, from the 25th of June to the 18th of August 1701, inclusive, per like Establishment, Certificates, &c. - - - - -	5,973	10	11			
				35,891	1	8
Paid to the Four Companies of Invalids, for their Pay, from the 30th of September 1700, to the said 18th of August 1701, inclusive - - - - -				5,114	3	4
				£. 41,005	5	0
Which exceeds the Sum given by Parliament for this Service, being 41,000 <i>l.</i> <i>os.</i> <i>od.</i> - - - - -					5	5

Ranelagh.

*Ordered*, That the said Abstract do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Bridport  
Harbour.

A Petition of the Bailiffs and capital Burgesses of the Corporation of *Bridport*, in the County of *Dorset*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Port has, by Experience, been found of great Benefit to the Western Parts of *England*, and all Seafaring Men; but, for some Years past, the Alteration of the Tides have so choked up the Mouth of the Harbour, and ruined the Piers, that several Ships, driven into the Bay, and many others in distress for want of good Harbour, there, have suffered Shipwreck, and the Petitioners cannot repair the same, though willing, for want of sufficient Powers to Undertakers, and fitting Encouragement for Persons who are willing to advance Money, for carrying on the Works: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for clearing, recovering, and repairing, the said Haven and Port; whereby it may be rendered useful and necessary, for the Encouragement of Navigation.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Gulston* and Mr. *Pitfeild* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Sick and  
wounded  
Seamen.

A Petition of several of the Inhabitants of the City of *Rochester*, in the County of *Kent*, on behalf of themselves, and many others, Inhabitants of the said City, and Places adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, during the late War, many sick and wounded Seamen and Soldiers were quartered on the Petitioners; for which Service there was due to them above Thirteen thousand Pounds; a great Part whereof is still due; for want of which they are greatly impoverished; and, if not speedily paid, will be utterly incapable of the like Service for the future: And praying, That a Sum of Money may be appropriated to discharge the Remainder of their said Arrears.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Assaying  
Plate.

A Petition of *Francis Batty*, and others, free Goldsmiths and Inhabitants of the Town of *Newcastle upon Tyne*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are under very great Inconveniencies in the Management of their Trades, by reason of an Act of Parliament, made in the Twelfth and Thirteenth Years of his Majesty's Reign, for appointing Wardens and Assaymasters, for assaying wrought Plate, in the Cities of *York*, *Exeter*, *Bristol*, *Chester*, and *Norwich*; by which the Petitioners are obliged to send their Plate to *York*, being Sixty Miles from *Newcastle*, or some of the other more remote Places, to be assayed and marked as the said Act directs; whereby the Petitioners are in Danger of losing

the greatest Part of their Trade, which chiefly consists of Plate bespoke to be wrought up in a short time, and they cannot have it returned from *York* in less than a Fortnight's Time: And praying, That an Assay master may be appointed for assaying and marking wrought Plate in the said Town of *Newcastle*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth and Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for better preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom, was committed: And that the Committee have Power to receive a Clause, according to the Prayer of the said Petition.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriff, and Common Council, of the Town and County of *Newcastle upon Tyne*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by an Act, made in the Twelfth and Thirteenth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for appointing Assaymasters for Plate, all Plate is to be brought to the Place where such Assayer is appointed, to be by him assayed, and marked before sold, under a great Penalty; by reason whereof, the Corporation of *Newcastle*, where no Assayer is appointed, may receive great Prejudice; but more especially the Goldsmiths and Silversmiths there, who make, and vend, great Quantities of wrought Plate, in respect of the Distance from the nearest Place, which is *York*, Sixty Miles from them, where an Assay-master is appointed: And praying, That an Assay-master may be appointed for Assaying and Marking of wrought Plate in the Town of *Newcastle*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth and Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for better preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom, was committed: And that the Committee have Power to receive a Clause, according to the Prayer of the said Petition.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to His Majesty, That he would be graciously pleased to provide for the Officers upon Half-pay, in the first Place, in the Recruits and Levies now to be made, his Majesty was pleased to say; That it was always his Intention; and that the same should be pursued accordingly.

Answer to  
Address.

A Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt was read a Second time.

Insolvent  
Debtors.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, Sir *John Mordant*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Blaake*, Mr. *Fleming*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Cholmley*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *Fra. Child*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. *Curzon*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Nicholas*, Sir *Phil. Boteler*, Sir *Gero. Elwes*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Lowther*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr.

Mr. *Jacob*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *Lee*, Mr. *Burton*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Farrer*, Mr. *Colchester*, Sir *Chr. Wren*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Lorraine*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe; and all the Merchants of the House; and all that come to have Voices: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

A Petition of the Archbishops and Bishops of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read; praying, That the Act for Sale of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland* may be so explained, that all the Rectories Improprate may be enjoyed for the Purposes in the said Act mentioned, discharged of the Incumbrances thereupon.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered when the Petitions, relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, are taken into Consideration.

Ditto.

A Petition of \* *Fitz-Gerrald*, relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was offered to the House;

And the Question being put, That the Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Counterfeit-  
ing Coin.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth and Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for the better preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Supply granted to his Majesty; and had agreed upon several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis*, 10° *die Februarii*;

Anno 13° *Willielmi Tertii.*

PRAYERS.

*CHARLOTTE* *Boscawen* took the Oaths appointed, in order to her Naturalization.

Boscawen's  
Nat.

A Bill to naturalize *Charlotte*, the Wife of *Hugh Boscawen* Esquire, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Colonel *Churchill*, Mr. *Trefusis*, Sir *William Drake*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Hobson*, Mr. *Scobell*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Mr. *Godolphin*, Mr. *Proby*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. *Trelawney*, Colonel *Godfry*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Hen. Bunbury*, Mr. *Crawford*, Mr. *Popham*, Sir *John Molesworth*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Sir *Edw. Seymour*, Mr. *Hele*, Sir *Wm. Courtney*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Fagg*, Sir *Fra. Massam*; and all that serve for the County of *Cornwall*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Attaining  
the Pre-  
tender.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. *Gery* and Mr. *Rogers*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords do desire a Conference with this House this Day at Twelve a Clock, in the Painted Chamber, upon

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the Subject-matter of the last Conference upon the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* of High Treason.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree to a Conference with the Lords, as their Lordships do desire.

And the Messengers were called in again; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

*Ordered*, That the Managers who managed the last Conference, do manage the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Balch*, Sir *Francis Masham*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Sir *Henry Colt*, Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Marks*, Sir *Hen. Peachy*, Sir *Edw. Hasell*, Mr. *Mansell*, Mr. *Gwynn*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to explain the Act, made Two-and-twentieth *Henry* Eighth, concerning the Repairing and Amending of Bridges in the Highways, is committed.

Bridges in  
Highways.

A Bill for the easier Recovery of Servants Wages; and for punishing idle and disorderly Servants; was, according to Order, read the First time.

Servants  
Wages.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Clothiers of the County of *Gloucester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That many ill-disposed Persons buy of the Weavers the Ends, or short Threads of Yarn, which they break off in Quilling and Weaving; the which when carded, and spun a Second time, is often made into deceitful Cloth; to the Reproach of the Woollen Manufactures; the which Mischiefs are not sufficiently provided against by the Statute of *Jac. I. Cap. 7th*: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the more effectual punishing, and preventing the like evil Practices of buying and making short Threads of Yarn into Cloth.

Woollen, &c.  
Manufac-  
tures.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Colchester*, Sir *Rich Cocks*, and Mr. *Clayton*, do prepare, and bring in the Bill.

A Petition of Sir *Thomas Stanley*, of *Alderley* in the County Palatine of *Chester*, Baronet, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, on the Petitioner's Marriage with *Christiana*, his now Wife, his Father, by a Settlement, made the Petitioner Tenant for Life; Remainder to *Christiana* for Life, as to Part, for her Jointure; Remainder (and of his whole Estate, except Five hundred Pounds per Annum, which came to the Petitioner in Fee) to the First and other Sons in Tail Male; with a Power to charge the whole Estate, except the Fee-simple and Jointure Lands, with Three thousand Pounds: That, to pay his own and his Father's Debts, he hath been necessitated to sell Part of the Fee-simple Lands; the remaining Part being of Six thousand Five hundred Pounds Value at the least, which the Petitioner is desirous to preserve in his Family, and be made Tenant for Life thereof, without Impeachment of Waste; with like Remainders as the settled Estate; and to forego his Power of charging Three thousand Pounds, so as he may be enabled to charge his Estate, without prejudicing his Wife's Jointure, with Eight thousand Pounds: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for charging his Estate with any Sum of Money, not exceeding Eight thousand Pounds.

Stanley's  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Roger Mostyn* and Sir *Henry Bunbury* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Petition of divers Lacemen, in behalf of themselves, and other Dealers in the Silver and Gold Lace Trade, dwelling in and about the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in the House for continuing and amending an Act, made the Ninth and Tenth Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for settling

Wiredrawers  
Trade.

and adjusting the Proportion of fine Silver and Silk, for the better making of Silver and Gold Thread; and to prevent the Abuses of the Wire-drawers; which Bill has been once read, and wants some necessary Amendments: And praying, that the Petitioners may be heard for the said Bill, before the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the said Bill be read the Second time.

The Bill was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Hysham, Mr. Colchester, Mr. Vernon, Mr. Gulston, Mr. St. John, Mr. Proby, Mr. Manley, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Richards, Sir Wm. Drake, Sir Jos. Tredenham, Mr. Burnaby, Mr. Hoblyn, Mr. Drake, Sir Cha. Bloys, Mr. Owen, Sir Fra. Massam, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Tagg, Mr. Trefusis, Sir Wm. Ashurst, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Coke, Sir Hen. Colt, Sir Hen. Ashurst, Mr. Sheppard, Mr. Curson, Sir Henry Bunbury, Mr. Moor, Mr. Newton, Mr. Nicholas, Lord Chenie, Mr. Masters, Sir Philip Boteler, Colonel King, Mr. St. Loo, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Shackerly, Sir John Molesworth, Mr. Papillon: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee.

Conference  
with Lords.

Then the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned;

Sir Joseph Tredenham reported, That they had met the Lords at the Conference; which was managed by the Lord Herbert of Cherbury; who acquainted them, That the Lords do insist upon their Amendments to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of Wales of High Treason: For which they gave their Reasons as follow; viz.

Because the Lords are of Opinion, That due Consideration, such as the Nature of an Attainder does require, may be had when the Attainder comes in by way of Amendment: And the Lords find the Commons themselves did, by way of Amendment, add the Names of several Persons, to be attainted, in an Act, 31 H. Eight, sent down by the Lords for attainting the Marquis of Exeter, and others; and they have never heard of any ill Consequence by that Proceeding; to which the Lords, at that time, made no exception: And though the Lords find, That the Attainder of Persons, originally named in that Bill, have since been reversed; yet it does not appear, upon the Search they have made, but that the Attainders of the Persons, so added by the Commons, remain to this Day in Force.

*Resolved*, That the House do insist upon their disagreeing with the Lords in the said Amendments.

*Ordered*, That a free Conference be desired with the Lords upon the Subject-matter of the last Conference: And that all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe be added to the Managers.

Supply.

Mr. Conyers reported, from the Committee of the whole House, who were to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Two hundred thousand Rixdollars, be granted to his Majesty; in full of all Sums stipulated by the Treaty with the King of Denmark, dated the Third of December One thousand Six hundred and Ninety-six; and by the Treaty with that Crown, dated the Fifteenth of June One thousand Seven hundred and One.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Seventy-five thousand Rixdollars, be granted to his Majesty, for his Share of Two Quarters Subsidies, ending the Sixteenth of December One thousand Seven hundred and One, pursuant to the said Treaty of the Fifteenth of June last.

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*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Two hundred and fifty-seven thousand Eight hundred Seventy Rixdollars, be granted to his Majesty, for Levy-money for the Danish Troops received into his Majesty's Pay, according to the said Treaty.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighty-seven thousand Five hundred Ninety-six Rixdollars, be granted to his Majesty, for the ordinary Pay of the said Troops, from the respective Days of their being taken into his Majesty's Service, to the Twentieth of December One thousand Seven hundred and One.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Seventeen thousand Five hundred Rixdollars, be granted to his Majesty, for the Payment of Six Months Interest of Seven hundred thousand Rixdollars, by him borrowed for making good the Treaties entered into with the Kings of Denmark and Sweden.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Six thousand Five hundred Fifty-six Rixdollars, be allowed for the Transports of the Troops from Gluckstadt to Zwoll, and of the Sick and Baggage from thence to the respective Quarters, with the Demorage of the Ships; and for Provisions, and other contingent Disbursements.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding One hundred thousand Rixdollars, be granted to his Majesty, upon Account of Succours provided by the King of Sweden, pursuant to a Treaty with that Crown, dated the Seventh of October One thousand Seven hundred and One.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty-seven thousand Pounds, be granted to his Majesty, for making good the Treaty between his Majesty the King of Sweden, and the States General.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighteen thousand Five hundred Pounds, be allowed for the Charge of circulating Exchequer Bills.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The House being informed, That Sir Henry Furnesse Knight, now a Member of this House, is a Circulator of Exchequer Bills; and, by reason thereof, and of the Clause of the Statute in the Fifth and Sixth Year of the Reign of his Majesty, and the late Queen Mary, for granting to their Majesties certain Rates and Duties upon Salt, and Beer, Ale, and other Liquors, for securing certain Recompences, and Advantages, in the said Act mentioned, to such Persons as shall voluntarily advance the Sum of Ten hundred thousand Pounds, towards carrying on the War against France, is disabled from being a Member of this House;

Disability of  
a Member by  
holding  
Office.

*Ordered*, That the last Contract for circulating Exchequer Bills, be laid before this House by the Secretary of the Treasury.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Ways and  
Means.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer acquainted the House, That whereas Six hundred and Fifty thousand Pounds hath been paid into his Majesty's Exchequer pursuant to the Votes of this House, for the Loan of the like Sum for the Use of the Navy, Guards, and Garrisons; That in regard some of the Money lies dead; and that there is Occasion to apply some Money upon the Account of the Land Forces who are to be put on board the Fleet; and that, in case the House shall not object against it, the same will be done accordingly.

The House  
acquainted  
with the Ap-  
plication of  
certain  
Money.

In



In which the House acquiesced.

Security of  
King's Per-  
son and Suc-  
cession.

Mr. *Charles Hedges*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; was committed; the Amendments which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout.

And the First Amendment was read a Second time.

And a Motion was made, That the Bill be re-committed,

Royal Assent  
to a Bill.

A Message from his Majesty, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The King commands this Honourable House to attend him, in the House of Peers, immediately.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend his Majesty.

And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That his Majesty had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to one publick Bill, intituled, An Act for continuing and reviving an Act, intituled, An Act for the appointing Commissioners to take, examine, and determine, the Debts due to the Army, Navy, and for Transport Service; and also an Account of Prizes taken during the late War.

Security of  
King's Per-  
son and Suc-  
cession.

Then the House proceeded upon the Report of the Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be re-committed;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Faley*, } 158.  
                                  { Mr. *Birch*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Pelham*, } 193.  
                                  { Sir *Wm. Hustler*:

So it passed in the Negative.

The said First Amendment, upon the Question put thereupon, was agreed unto by the House:

And other of the Amendments were read a Second time; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Amendment, Fo. 3. L. 16, after "Protestants," to leave out of the Oath in the Bill, these Words, "I will, to the utmost of my Power, support, maintain, and defend the Constitution and Government of this Realm, in King, Lords, and Commons, as it is by Law established," being read a Second time:

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Walter Yonge*, } 187.  
                                  { Sir *Cha. Hotham*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Bridges*, } 166.  
                                  { Mr. *Freeman*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The rest of the Amendments, being severally read a Second time, one by one, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

Ordered, That the Bill for the regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, be read a Second time upon *Thursday* Morning next.

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Resolved, That this House will, upon *Thursday* come Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill to take the publick Accounts of the Kingdom. Publick Accounts.

Ordered, That the Bill for the better preventing Bribery and Corruption in Elections of Members to serve in Parliament, be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next. Bribery at Elections.

Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned. Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii*, 11<sup>o</sup> die *Februarii*;

Anno 13<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

SIR *John Bolles* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for reviving the Act, intituled, An Act for exempting Apothecaries from serving the Offices of Constable, Scavenger, and other Parish Offices; and for serving upon Juries; was re-committed; That they had considered the Petition of the Churchwardens, and other Inhabitants of the several Parishes within the City and Liberties of *Westminster*, on behalf of themselves, and others, to them referred; and had made an Amendment to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House. Apothecaries exempt from Parish Offices.

Then the House proceeded to take into Consideration the Petition of several of the Inhabitants of the City of *London*; and also of the Churchwardens, on behalf of themselves, and other Inhabitants, of the several Parishes in the Borough of *Southwark*; which lay upon the Table till the said Report was made:

And a Clause being offered, That the Apothecaries, when chosen into Parish and Ward Offices in the City of *London*, shall find a fit Person to serve in their room;

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of several Justices of Peace, Ministers, Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor and principal Inhabitants, of the Parishes of the *Tower* Hamlets, and of *Woolwich*, *Deptford*, *Southwark*, and other Parts adjacent, on behalf of themselves, and many Hundreds of poor Seamen made Run, and queried, on the Books of his Majesty's Navy; and likewise the Creditors of such Seamen; was presented to the House, and read; Petition respecting Seamen made Run.

And afterwards, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Petition of Major *Christopher Wray*, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the *Irish* forfeited Estates. Irish Forfeitures.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates.

A Petition of Dame *Frances O Neile*, Widow and Relict of Sir *Neile O Neile*, late of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Baronet, deceased, on the Behalf of *Rose*, *Mary*, *Elizabeth*, and *Anne*, her Four Daughters, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the *Irish* forfeited Estates. Ditto.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates;

It



It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the said Petition be rejected.

Irish Forfeitures.

A Petition of *John Clayton* Master of Arts, and Minister of *St. Michan*, in the City of *Dublin*, relating to the *Irish* forfeited Estates, was offered to the House:

And the Question being put, That the Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Ditto.

A Petition of *John Mapas* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, being about Ten Years of Age, was outlawed for High Treason in *Ireland*, although he never had any Civil or Military Employment, or was any-ways concerned in the late Troubles there; nor was ever intitled to any Estate, real or personal, save only as Heir apparent to his Father, who is seised of an Estate in Fee-simple, and may dispose thereof as he pleases; and who is, by reason of the said Outlawry, which cannot be reversed but by Parliament, now upon settling the same upon others, although the Petitioner forfeited nothing, as appears by the Trustees Books: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for reversing the said Outlawry; the Petitioner having committed no Offence against the Government.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates.

Ditto.

A Petition of *Antony Preston*, commonly called Lord Viscount *Gormanston*, relating to the *Irish* forfeited Estates, was offered to the House:

And the Question being put, That the Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Ditto.

A Petition of *John Hill* Esquire, and *Ellen* his Wife, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, some Years before the late happy Revolution, *John Dawson* Esquire, obtained a Judgment in *Ireland*, against *Robert Grace*, for 2,500*l.* in Trust for the Petitioner *Ellen* his Daughter; That in 1690 *Robert Grace* died; and after the Reduction of *Ireland*, his Estate was seized to his Majesty's Use; but restored, by a Judgment on a Petition of Right, to his Son and Heir *John Grace*; against whom the Judgment being revived, and Part of the Estate extended, he granted a Rent-charge of 200*l.* per Annum, in 1695 to *James Dawson*, the Petitioner *Ellen*'s Brother, in Trust for her, till the 2,500*l.* should be paid; and *Grace* continuing in Possession, and paying the Rent-charge constantly, the Petitioners had not the least Apprehension, that the said Lands were forfeited by the Rebellion in *Ireland*; nor had any such Notice till January last, when the Petitioners, who live in *England* were, first informed, That the Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures had seized *Grace*'s Estate, and forbidden the Tenants from paying any Rent, until his Claim before them shall be determined; which is not likely to be till about *Lady-day* next: That the Petitioners, having no Notice of the supposed Forfeiture, did not enter any Claim of their said Debt before the Trustees; the Time, limited by the Act of Resumption, for that Purpose, being expired before they had any Notice; so that they are like to lose the Remainder of their Debt, being 1,500*l.* unless relieved by the House: And praying, That the House will, by some new Law, allow them a reasonable Time to enter their Claim before the said Trustees; or be otherwise relieved, as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates.

Counterfeiting Coin.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth and Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for better pre-

venting the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis*, 12° die Februarii;

Anno 13° Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A BILL to ascertain Water-measure of Fruit was read a Second time.

Water-measure of Fruit.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Owen*, Sir *Hen. Peachy*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Sir *Rich. Cox*, Mr. *Gulston*, Colonel *Colchester*, Mr. *Austen*, Mr. *Wild*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *John Phillipps*, Sir *John Poole*, Mr. *Birch*, Sir *Tho. Wroth*, Mr. *Coke*, Mr. *Bridges*, Lord *Chenie*, Lord *Coningsby*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Sir *Rob. Hyldyard*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Jervoise*, Mr. *Bulkley*, Mr. *St. Loe*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Gloucester*, *Hereford*, *Somerset*, and *Devon*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Colonel *Churchill* reported from the Committee to whom the Bill to naturalize *Charlotte*, the Wife of *Hugh Boscawen* Esquire, was committed, That they had examined and considered the Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Boscawen's Nat.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendment, be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill for continuing an Act, intituled, An Act, that the solemn Affirmation and Declaration of the People called Quakers shall be accepted, instead of an Oath in the usual Form, was read the Third time.

Quakers' Affirmation.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for continuing an Act, intituled, An Act that the solemn Affirmation and Declaration of the People called Quakers shall be accepted, instead of an Oath in the usual Form.

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Chenie* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Sir *John Bolles*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the rebuilding, and maintaining in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*: And the same was received.

Whitby Harbour.

The

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Privilege—  
Persons pe-  
tition for  
Discharge.

A Petition of *Edmund Sansum, Edward Brown, John Wayte*, and *Joseph Hancock*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, for presenting a scandalous, false, and vexatious Petition, touching the Election for the Borough of *Malmsbury*, was presented to the House, and read; acknowledging their Faults; and that they are heartily sorry, and beg Pardon, for the same: And praying to be discharged out of Custody.

*Ordered*, That the said *Edmund Sansum, Edward Brown, John Wayte*, and *John Hancock*, be brought to the Bar To-morrow Morning.

Irish For-  
feitures.

A Petition of *Thomas Andrews*, and others, Tradesmen, living in the City of *Westminster*, relating to the Petition of the Countess of *Abercorne*, concerning the *Irish* forfeited Estates, was offered to the House.

And the Question being put, That the Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Commercial  
Treaties.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations do lay before this House such Treaties of Commerce with foreign Princes and States, as lie before them; with an Account of the Proceedings that have been thereupon.

Conference  
desired with  
Lords.

*Ordered*, That *Sir John Holland* do go to the Lords, and desire a free Conference with their Lordships upon the Subject-matter of the last Conference, upon the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* of High Treason.

Ways and  
Means.

*Mr. Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, who were to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, towards the Supply granted to his Majesty, an Aid, not exceeding Four Shillings in the Pound, for One Year, be laid upon all Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments.

2. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Duty of Fifty Shillings per Centum, for One Year, be laid upon the Value of all Stock in Trade.

3. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Duty of Twenty-five Shillings per Centum, for One Year, be laid upon all Money at Interest.

4. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Duty of Four Shillings in the Pound, for One Year, be laid upon all Annuities, Pensions, and yearly Stipends.

5. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Duty of Five Shillings in the Pound, for One Year, be laid upon all Salaries, Fees, and Perquisites, of Offices Ecclesiastical and Civil.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by inserting, after "towards," the Word "raising:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That, towards raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, an Aid, not exceeding Four Shillings in the Pound, for One Year, be laid upon all Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments.

The Second, Third, and Fourth Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Fifth Resolution being read a Second time;

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An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out "Ecclesiastical and Civil:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That a Duty of Five Shillings in the Pound, for One Year, be laid upon all Salaries, Fees, and Perquisites, of Offices.

*Ordered*, That a Bill, or Bills, be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that *Mr. Conyers*, *Mr. Lowndes*, and *Mr. Solicitor General*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill, or Bills.

*Sir John Holland* reported, That he having been at the Lords, according to Order, to desire a free Conference, with Lords, the Lords do agree to a free Conference, immediately, in the Painted Chamber.

*Ordered*, That the Managers who managed the last Conference, do manage the free Conference.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned;

*Sir Rowland Gwyn* reported, That the Managers had attended the free Conference, which was but short; and had left the Bill, and Amendments, with the Lords.

A Petition of the Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, with other Gentlemen and Freeholders of the County of *Somerset*, at the Sessions held at *Wells* the 13th Day of January 1701, on behalf of themselves, and several Hundreds of the Freeholders, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Place of Election of Knights of the Shire to serve in Parliament for the said County is at *Ivelchester*, which lies on the Extent of the said County; and by reason of the Badness of the Roads, Deepness of the Waters, Smallness of the Place, and Want of Entertainment, many of the Freeholders do not go to the Election, who would otherwise go, if it were not for the said Inconveniencies: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill, That, when there is a Poll demanded by any Candidate, after all the Freeholders there present shall be polled, the Sheriff of the said County shall adjourn the Poll to the City of *Wells*, and Town of *Taunton*; to the End that all the Freeholders of the said County may have their just Freedom to give their Votes at such Election.

A Message from the Lords, by *Sir Robert Legard* and *Sir Richard Holford*:

*Mr. Speaker*,

The Lords do not insist upon their Amendments, made to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* of High Treason.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Then a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Mr. Compton*,  
                                  *Mr. Thomas Wroth*: } 132.

Tellers for the Noes, { *Colonel Granville*,  
                                  *Sir Rich. Onslow*: } 173.

A Message from the Lords by *Sir Robert Legard* and *Sir Richard Holford*:

*Mr. Speaker*,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling *Lionel Earl of Orrery*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, by Sale of certain Lands and Tenements, to raise Money for Payment of his Debts; and settle other Lands, to the Uses and Purposes in this Act mentioned: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House,

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Irish Forfeitures.

The Order of the Day being read, for taking into Consideration the Petitions and Reports relating to the *Irish Forfeitures*;

*Ordered*, That the Earl of *Abercorne*, and *James Topham* Esquire, do attend this House upon *Saturday* Morning next, at Ten a Clock.

*Resolved*, That this House will, immediately after the Earl of *Abercorne* and Mr. *Topham* have been heard, take into Consideration the Petitions and Reports concerning the *Irish Forfeitures*: And that the Trustees in Town do then attend this House.

King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 13<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

Anno 14<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

## PRAYERS.

Earl of Orrery's Estate.

**A**N ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for enabling *Lionel* Earl of *Orrery*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, by Sale of certain Lands and Tenements, to raise Money for Payment of his Debts; and settle other Lands, to the Uses and Purposes in this Act mentioned; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Adam's Estate.

Mr. *Kinaston*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for vesting the Estate of *Richard Adams*, an Infant, in Trustees, for raising the Sum of Eight hundred Pounds, for the Maintenance and Portions of *William* and *Elizabeth Adams*, Infants, the Brother and Sister of the said *Richard*, pursuant to the Power reserved to *William*, deceased Father of the said Infants, in and by his Marriage Settlement, and not executed in his Lifetime: And the same was received.

Bridport Harbour.

Mr. *Gulston*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for clearing, recovering, and repairing, the Haven and Port of *Bridport*, whereby it may be rendered useful and necessary, for the Encouragement of Navigation: And the same was received.

Guards and Garisons, &amp;c.

*Ordered*, That the Earl of *Ranelagh* do lay before this House the Establishment for the Year One thousand Seven hundred Two, for Guards and Garisons; and for the Land-men to be put on board the Fleet; distinct.

Counterfeiting Coin.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth and Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for better preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Newton* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Newton* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Bill; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

Address from Ireland respecting the Act of Resumption.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That his Majesty had directed him to inform them, That his Majesty has lately received, from *Ireland*, several Addresses of the City of *Dublin*, and divers Counties of that Kingdom; setting forth the Hardships they lie under by the late Act of Resumption; which, they desire, may be con-

sidered, in order to their Relief: And that his Majesty had given Directions, That the said Addresses should be laid before this House, when the House shall think fit to require the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Addresses be laid before this House To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the Surveyor General do lay before this House an Account of all Lands belonging to the Crown, both in Possession and Reversion, undisposed of. Crown Lands.

A Petition of *Walter Bagnall*, eldest Son of *Dudley Bagnall*, was presented to the House, and read; praying, That he may be heard, before any Bill, or Clause, do pass upon the Petition of his Sisters and younger Brothers. Bagnall's Petition.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered when the said other Petition shall be taken into Consideration.

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, being read; Ways and Means.

*Ordered*, That the Accounts, from the Commissioners of the Customs, of Goods rated *ad Valorem*, be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee.

Then the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived. Committees.

The House being informed, That *Edmund Sansum*, *Edouard Brown*, *John Wayte*, and *Joseph Hancock*, were brought by the Serjeant, according to the Order of Yesterday; Persons in Custody to be brought to the Bar.

*Ordered*, That they be brought to the Bar To-morrow Morning.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Sabbati, 14<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

Anno 14<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

## PRAYERS.

**T**HE House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill, for Punishing of Officers and Soldiers, that shall mutiny or desert in *England* or *Ireland*. Punishing Mutiny and Desertion.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Farrer* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Farrer* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

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Addresses  
from Ireland  
respecting  
the Act of  
Resumption.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Stanyon*, from the Earl of *Manchester*, One of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, attended, according to Order, with the Addresses from *Ireland*;

He was called in; and presented to the House the said Addresses, with a Schedule of them.

And then he withdrew.

And the Schedule was read; and is as followeth; viz.

1. The humble Address of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons, and Citizens, of the City of *Dublin*, in Common Council assembled, the 16th of January 1701.

2. The humble Address of the Governor, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Cavan*, at their General Quarter Sessions held at *Belturbett*, the 13th Day of January 1701.

3. The humble Address of the High Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Clare*, at their General Quarter Sessions held *Enis*, the 13th Day of January 1701.

4. The humble Address of the High Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Cork*, at the General Quarter Sessions held at *Banden-bridge*, the 13th Day of January 1701.

5. The humble Address of the Nobility, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Dublin*, at their General Quarter Sessions held at *Kilmainham*, the 16th January 1701.

6. The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Grand Jury, Aldermen, Burgesses, Clergymen, Freemen, and Freeholders, and Inhabitants, of the Town and County of the Town of *Galway*, at their General Quarter Sessions of the Peace held at the *Tholsel* of *Galway*, the 13th January 1701.

7. The humble Address of the Nobility, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Kilkenny*, at their General Quarter Sessions held at *Grace Castle*, the 13th Jan. 1701.

8. The humble Address of the Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Meath*, at their Quarter Sessions held at *Trim*, the 12th Day of January 1701.

9. The humble Address of the Nobility, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the *Queen's County*, at their General Quarter Sessions held at *Marriborough*, the 12th January 1701.

10. The humble Address of the High Sheriff, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Roscommon*, at their General Quarter Sessions held at *Roscommon*, the 15th January 1701.

11th, The humble Address of the Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Tipperary*, at their Quarter Sessions held at *Fethard*, the 6th of January 1701.

Persons in  
custody  
brought to  
the Bar.

The House being informed, That *Edmund Sansum*, *Edward Brown*, *John Wayte*, and *Joseph Hancock*, are brought up by the Serjeant;

Ordered, That they be immediately brought to the Bar of this House.

Ordered, That they be severally called in, and examined, one by one.

And they were severally called in to the Bar, and examined, accordingly.

And then withdrew.

Then a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That they be called in to the Bar, in order to their being discharged;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Lord *Spencer*, } 152.  
                                  { Mr. *Carter*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Gulston*, } 158.  
                                  { Mr. *Goring*:

So it passed in the Negative.

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Ordered, That they be remanded back.

Remanded.

Ordered, That Mr. *Goodenough*, an Attorney at Law, be summoned to attend this House, in order to his being examined. Persons ordered to attend.

Ordered, That *John Woodman*, of *Malmsbury*, be summoned to attend this House, in order to his being examined.

Ordered, That the Earl of *Abercorn*, and *James Topham* Esquire, do attend this House, upon *Monday* Morning next. Irish Forfeitures.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately after the Earl of *Abercorn* and Mr. *Topham* have been heard, take into Consideration the Petitions and Reports relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*: And that the Two Trustees in Town do then attend this House.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table; Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz. Ways and Means.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That all Persons, of any Profession relating to the Common or Civil Law, or to the Ecclesiastical Courts, or to Physick or Surgery; all Preachers or Teachers in Congregations; all Brokers and Factors; and Persons exercising any Profession whatsoever; shall be charged with a Duty of Four Shillings in the Pound, for One Year, upon so much as, by Estimation, they do or may receive, or get, by their Practice, Employments, or Professions, in the Year.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That all Persons, of what Degree soever, in *England*, *Wales*, or *Berwick upon Tweed*, shall pay to his Majesty, within One Year, the Sum of Four Shillings, except such Poor as receive Alms, and their Children under the Age of Sixteen Years, and except poor Housekeepers, who, for their Poverty are exempted from Contributions to Church and Poor, and their Children under the said Age; and except all Children, under the Age of Sixteen Years, of Day Labourers, and of Servants in Husbandry; and of all such who have Four or more Children, and are not worth Fifty Pounds.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Duty, after the Rate of One Pound per Centum, be laid upon all Shares in the Capital Stock of any Corporation or Company, which shall be bought, sold, bargained, or contracted for.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the said Duty of One Pound per Centum be continued for Five Years.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That a Bill, or Bills, be brought in upon the said Resolutions, by the Persons who are to bring in the Bill, or Bills, upon the Resolutions agreed upon by the House upon *Thursday* last; or that they do insert such of them as they shall think proper, into the said Bill, or Bills.

Ordered, That Sir *John Mordant*, Sir *John Bolles*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Farrer*, Sir *Jo. Manwaring*, Mr. *Wicker*, Sir *Wm. Thomas*, Sir *Fra. Windham*, Mr. *Heathcot*, Mr. *Sheppard*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for continuing the Act, made in the Ninth and Tenth Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for settling and adjusting the Proportions of fine Silver and Silk; and for the better Making of Silver and Gold Thread; and to prevent the Abuses of the Wire drawers; is committed. Wire drawers Trade.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.



Lundæ, 16<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

Anno 14<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Salt Duties.

**ORDERED**, That it be an Instruction to the Gentlemen, that are to prepare, and bring in, a Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties, That they do take care to ascertain the Measure or Weight of foreign Salt exported or imported; and also of the Rock Salt.

Punishing Mutiny and Desertion.

Mr. Farrer, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for Punishing of Officers and Soldiers, that shall mutiny or desert in *England* or *Ireland*, was committed, the Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, against Officers keeping Greyhounds, and Setting Dogs:

And the same was twice read; and amended by the House.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be made a Part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Sir Robert Hilliard,	} 124.
	{ Mr. Scobell:	
Tellers for the Noes,	{ Major General Erle,	} 130.
	{ Mr. Monckton:	

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, That all such Soldiers, as have been disbanded, and shall again list themselves, shall be free from Arrests:

And the same was once read; and the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

**Ordered**, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Security of King's Person and Succession.

**Ordered**, That the ingrossed Bill, for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; be read the Third time upon *Thursday* Morning next.

Derby Borough Election.

**Ordered**, That Mr. Stanhope have Leave to withdraw his Petition touching the Election for the Borough of *Derby*, in the County of *Derby*.

**Ordered**, That Sir Charles Pye have Leave to withdraw his Petition, touching the Election for the said Borough of *Derby*.

Irish Forfeitures.

A Petition of Sarah Abbot, Widow and Relict of Mordecai Abbot Esquire, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in Consideration of her late Husband's zealous and faithful Services, and suffering by the late War in *Ireland*, his Majesty granted him Three hundred Fourteen Pounds Ten Shillings Nine-pence Three Farthings per Annum, out of the *Irish* Forfeitures; in passing which Grant, and asserting his Majesty's Title to the Premises, her said Husband spent above One Thousand Pounds: That the granted Estate was all the Petitioner's Dependence, and is taken from her by the Act of Resumption: And praying the Relief of the House for herself, and Eight Children, against the said Act.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be

taken into Consideration with the other Petitions relating to the said Forfeitures;

It passed in the Negative.

The House being informed, That the Earl of *Abercorn*, and James Topham Esquire, attended, according to Order;

The Earl of *Abercorn* was called in;

And, a Copy of a Letter, dated at *Dublin* the 23d of December 1701; and of the Form of an Address, which had been delivered in to the House by the Two Trustees for *Irish* Forfeitures here in Town; were read.

And then his Lordship withdrew.

Then Mr. Topham was called in:

And the said Copy of the said Letter was also read.

And then he withdrew.

Then the House proceeded to take into Consideration the Addresses, which his Majesty had received from *Ireland*, and which his Majesty had been pleased to communicate to this House.

And the Address of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons, and Citizens, of the City of *Dublin*, in Common Council assembled, was read: And also,

The Address of the County of *Dublin* was read:

And are as follow; viz.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,  
The humble Address of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons, and Citizens of the City of *Dublin*, in Common Council assembled.

Great Sir,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful Subjects of this City, with all Humility, presume to lay before your Sacred Majesty the great Pressures we, with the rest of our Protestant Fellow Subjects, lie under, by the rigorous Execution of the late Act of Resumption, and the unsupportable Charge occasioned thereby to great Numbers of your loyal Subjects, who were wholly unconcerned in the late Forfeitures in this Kingdom.

Nothing less than the Ruin of many thousand Protestant improving Tenants, Purchasers, and others, which will immediately follow the further Execution of that Act, could force us to give your Majesty the least Interruption, by our Complaints, at a time when the most weighty Affairs of *Europe* are under the Consideration of your Majesty, and your great Council.

But we apprehend, Great Sir, that we should fail in that Regard we ought to have for the Protestant Interest of this Kingdom, should we omit representing to your Majesty the Danger, to which it is exposed, by Colour of that Act.

It is evident, that your Protestant Subjects here are daily harassed and disquieted on Account of groundless Discoveries; or, upon other Pretences, obliged to attend, from time to time, the Pleasure of the Trustees, at their own Expences; whilst most of the *Irish* Papists, especially those, who, by your Majesty's Grace, were restored to their Estates and Blood, are, in a great measure, exempted from the Charge, which the Execution of that Act has brought on your Majesty's Protestant Subjects of this City and Kingdom.

That the Trustees, by assuming a Power to review the Decrees of Judgments of the highest Court in this Kingdom; and declaring, That whatever they sell, as forfeited, must be, for ever after, conclusive; renders our Properties precarious, and greatly disheartens your loyal Subjects in this Kingdom.

We must add, that the Expence, to which we, and the rest of your Subjects in this Kingdom, have already been put, in maintaining and defending our just Rights and Properties; the Salaries of the Trustees, and of their numerous Officers, with other incident Charges, if cast up; will exceed the most that That Act, even as now executed, can produce.

We are persuaded, the Parliament of *England* in no sort designed to lay so heavy a Burden on us; the whole Act being grounded upon gross Misinformations given them

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them in that exorbitant Report made by the Persons intrusted with that Inquiry.

May it therefore please Your Majesty to take our distressed Condition into Your Princely Care; and to give us Relief herein, as to Your Majesty shall seem proper for the Removal of so great a Burden.

And give us Leave, on this Occasion, to assure Your Majesty, that we will, at all times, shew a ready Zeal to maintain and defend Your Majesty's Person and Government, the Rights and Liberties of the Imperial Crown of *England*, against all Opposers whatsoever. In Testimony whereof, we have caused our Common Seal to be hereunto affixed, this 16th Day of January, in the Year of our Lord 1701.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Nobility, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Dublin*, at their General Quarter Sessions held at *Killmainham*, the 16th Day of January 1701.

YOUR Majesty's faithful and loyal Subjects, the Protestants of this Your Kingdom of *Ireland*, lying under such Pressures, by reason of the late Act of Resumption, and of the Execution thereof, that they apprehend the Ruin of the Protestants of this Kingdom, who have all of them, to the utmost of their Power, been most forward and zealous for Your Majesty's Interest, and instrumental in the reducing this Kingdom to its Dependence upon the Crown of *England*, must be the unavoidable Consequence of the Execution of that Act, do humbly fly to Your Majesty's Protection; and pray, That Your Majesty, the Restorer of their Religion, Rights, and Liberties, would once again be pleased to take their distressed Condition into Your Princely Consideration, and, by such Methods as to Your Majesty shall seem most expedient, and their present Circumstances, and the Justice of their Cause, do require, apply suitable Remedies to the severe Burden under which they lie.

The deplorable Condition of very many Families, who always have adhered firmly to the Interest of Your Majesty, and of the Crown of *England*, and the general Discouragement that Act has given to the Protestant Interest of this Kingdom, constrains us, with all Humility, to lay before Your Majesty, That, the Act being intirely framed and passed in *England*, the real Truth of our Circumstances could not be known: Hence we have Reason to complain,

That the Persons, who chiefly receive any Benefit or Favour by this Act, are the Papists of this Kingdom; and, amongst them, principally those, who, to the last, opposed Your Majesty's Arms and Interest: And, besides many other particular Favours to *Irish* Papists, all those, who, by Your Majesty's Grace, obtained the Reversal of their Outlawries, have the Benefit of those Reversals confirmed to them; and are, by this Act, restored as well to their Estates, as to their Blood, when most of the Grants made to Protestants are, by the said Act, re-assumed:

That the Improvers, and poor Husbandmen, who, by several Proclamations issued by Your Majesty's Order, were encouraged and required to betake themselves again to their Tillage, to repair the Desolation wrought by the War, and prevent a Famine, are, by it, deprived of all the Benefit of their Labour, and the Charges of their Improvements:

That, those who purchased under Patentees, are generally Protestants, who, in their Dealing for those Estates, acted agreeably to the then known and established Laws of these Kingdoms; now, by a Law made *ex post facto*, they find themselves in the Condition of forfeiting Persons:

That the ill Consequences of this Act, and the Execution of it, do not only affect the Purchasers, but Your Majesty's other Subjects here, who are wholly unconcerned in those Titles, and disquiet the whole Kingdom: For, some of the Trustees having declared in Court their Opinion, That, what Lands they shall think

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fit to sell, it shall never afterwards be controverted, whether that Land was the Estate of a forfeiting Person, and, in consequence of that, vested in them by the Act; but that their Sales, whatever they are, are confirmed by the Act, and past Controul; Your Majesty's Subjects of this Kingdom are sensible, that, if this Opinion prevail, the whole Property of *Ireland* depends upon the arbitrary Wills of a Majority of the Trustees:

That the Power given the Trustees is so arbitrary and unlimited, That all Persons, under colour of Discoveries, or upon other Pretences, are liable to be summoned to appear before them, and obliged to attend their Pleasure:

That this Act is a great Discouragement to Protestant Proprietors to lay out Money on Improvements, upon account of the Uncertainty of Titles to Estates here; it being construed not only to subject Titles established by Judgments and Decrees of the highest Courts of Law and Equity here, to the Re-examination of the Trustees; but it, in express Terms, defeats a Title confirmed by an Act of Parliament legally convened, and held under Your Majesty, within this Kingdom:

That the whole Scheme of the Act, and the Manner of the Execution of it, depresses and discountenances the Protestant Interest of this Kingdom, and encourages the Popish; of the Dangers of which, we, who have felt the Effects of it, must always be apprehensive; but more particularly now, when the Papists throughout the whole Nation, by the Insolence of their Behaviour, shew, that the Acknowledging of the pretended Prince of *Wales* by the *French* King, or some other Dependence, has raised their Expectations to a great Height.

We are persuaded, that the Parliament of *England* were in no sort apprized either of the Hardships, or dangerous Consequence, of this Act; and are sensible, that the whole Act is grounded upon gross Misinformations given to them concerning the Value of the Forfeitures; which were represented, by the Persons intrusted with that Inquiry, to be at least Four times the Value of what they will be found to amount to. We will not affirm, that this was done wilfully, or to serve private Ends; but we must say, and can make it plain, beyond Denial, that most Proofs offered to them in their Inquiries, though never so plain and evident, were by them disregarded and rejected, when they tended to lessen the Value of the Forfeitures, and deprive them of a Handle for making their exorbitant Report.

And we must add, that the Expences to which this Kingdom has already been put; in Attendance upon the Trustees, with Counsel, Witnesses, and in Fees to their Officers, &c.; the Salaries of the Trustees themselves, and of near Relations to some of them; and other Persons put into Employments, with great Allowances, under them; with other Charges which the Act has occasioned to this Kingdom; if cast up, will exceed the utmost that the Act, even as now executed, can produce: A considerable Sum might, without such Grievance or Complaint, have been laid equally upon the Forfeitures in *Ireland*; and thereby the Publick might have received some Benefit, and this Kingdom not have groaned under a Burden, which nothing but the last Necessity forces her to complain of in this manner: Something of this kind may yet be done, though not near to what might have been, before the Country was so impoverished by the Means of the Act.

May it please Your Majesty to suffer us, upon this Occasion, to assure Your Majesty, That your Protestant Subjects of this Kingdom are so sensible of the inexpressible Favours they have received from Your Majesty, and Your tender Care of them, that nothing can ever shake their Faith and Duty to Your Majesty; and that, whatever the Malice of their Enemies may, for private Ends, or ill Designs, suggest to the contrary, no Inducements whatsoever can prevail with them to endeavour to make, or so much as to wish, themselves independent of, or not subject unto, the Crown of *England*; and that none of Your Majesty's Subjects of any of Your Dominions will, upon all Occasions, shew a more forward and ready Zeal to maintain and defend, against all Opposers whatsoever, Your Sacred Person, and Government, the Protestant Religion,

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Religion, the Laws, Liberties, and the Rights, of the Crown of *England*, than Your Majesty's Protestant Subjects of *Ireland*.

*Resolved*, That the Address, intituled, The humble Address of the Nobility, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Dublin*, at their General Quarter Sessions held at *Killmainham*, the Sixteenth Day of January One thousand Seven hundred and One, contains divers scandalous and false Expressions, highly reflecting upon his Majesty's Honour, and both Houses of Parliament.

The Address of the County of *Cavan* was read; and is the same as the Address of the County of *Dublin*.

*Resolved*, That the Address, intituled, The humble Address of the Governor, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Cavan*, at their General Quarter Sessions held at *Belturbett*, the 13th Day of January One thousand Seven hundred and One, contains divers scandalous and false Expressions, highly reflecting upon his Majesty's Honour, and both Houses of Parliament.

The Address of the County of *Clare* was read; and is the same as the Address of the County of *Dublin*.

*Resolved*, That the Address, intituled, The humble Address of the High Sheriff, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Clare*, at their General Quarter Sessions held at *Enis*, the Thirteenth Day of January One thousand Seven hundred and One, contains divers scandalous and false Expressions, highly reflecting upon his Majesty's Honour, and both Houses of Parliament.

The Address of the County of *Cork* was read; and is the same as the said Address of the County of *Dublin*.

*Resolved*, That the Address, intituled, The humble Address of the High Sheriff, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Cork*, at the General Quarter Sessions held at *Bandonbridge*, the Thirteenth Day of January One thousand Seven hundred and One, contains divers scandalous and false Expressions, highly reflecting upon his Majesty's Honour, and both Houses of Parliament.

The Address of the Town and County of the Town of *Galloway* was read; and is the same as the said Address of the County of *Dublin*.

*Resolved*, That the Address, intituled, The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Grand Jury, Aldermen, Burgesses, Clergymen, Freemen, Freeholders, and Inhabitants, of the Town and County of the Town of *Galloway*, at their General Quarter Sessions of the Peace held at the *Tholsell* of *Galloway*, the Thirteenth Day of January One thousand Seven hundred and One, contains divers scandalous and false Expressions, highly reflecting upon his Majesty's Honour, and both Houses of Parliament.

The Address of the County of *Kilkenny* was read; and is the same as the said Address of the County of *Dublin*.

*Resolved*, That the Address intituled, The humble Address of this Nobility, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders of the County of *Kilkenny*, at their General Quarter Sessions held at *Grace's Castle*, the Thirteenth Day of January One thousand Seven hundred and One, contains divers scandalous and false Expressions, highly reflecting upon his Majesty's Honour, and both Houses of Parliament.

The Address of the County of *Meath* was read; and is the same as the said Address of the County of *Dublin*.

*Resolved*, That the Address, intituled, The humble Address of the Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Meath*, at their Quarter Sessions held at *Trim*, the Twelfth of January One thousand Seven hundred and One, contains divers scandalous and false Expressions, highly reflecting upon his Majesty's Honour, and both Houses of Parliament.

The Address of the *Queen's County* was read; and is the same as the aforesaid Address of the County of *Dublin*.

*Resolved*, That the Address, intituled, The humble Address of the Nobility, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the *Queen's County*, at their General Quarter Sessions held at *Mariborough*, the Twelfth day of January One thousand Seven hundred and One, contains divers scandalous and false Expressions, highly reflecting upon his Majesty's Honour, and both Houses of Parliament.

The Address of the County of *Roscommon* was read, and is the same as the aforesaid Address of the County of *Dublin*.

*Resolved*, That the Address, intituled, The humble Address of the High Sheriff, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Roscommon*, at their General Quarter Sessions held at *Roscommon*, the Fifteenth Day of January One thousand Seven hundred and One, contains divers scandalous and false Expressions, highly reflecting upon his Majesty's Honour, and both Houses of Parliament.

The Address of the County of *Tipperary* was read; and is the same as the aforesaid Address of the County of *Dublin*.

*Resolved*, That the Address, intituled, The humble Address of the Justices of Peace, Grand Jury, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders, of the County of *Tipperary*, at their Quarter Sessions held at *Fethard*, the Sixth Day of January One thousand Seven hundred and One, contains divers scandalous and false Expressions, highly reflecting upon his Majesty's Honour, and both Houses of Parliament.

*Resolved*, That the Advisers, Promoters, and Procurers, of the said Addresses, are guilty of an high Crime and Misdemeanor.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, giving his Majesty the humble Thanks of this House, for his gracious communicating the said Addresses to this House; whereby this House hath had an Opportunity of vindicating his Majesty's Honour, and the Honour of both Houses of Parliament.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Sevensnight, examine into the Execution of the Act relating to the *Irish Forfeitures*, and hear the Trustees to the same.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, after the Third Reading of the Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; take into Consideration the Petitions and Reports relating to the *Irish* forfeited Estates: And that the Trustees in Town be ordered to attend this House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth and Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for better preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* be read a Second time upon *Friday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Rowney*, Sir *Francis Blake*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Gibson*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Lambton*, Sir *Hen. Peachy*, Mr. *Courtneys*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for continuing the Act for settling and adjusting

adjusting the Proportions of fine Silver and Silk; and to prevent the Abuses of Wire drawers; is committed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Martis, 17<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

Anno 14<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Windsor  
Deanery  
Estate.

**ORDERED**, That Sir Joseph Tredenham, Mr. Boyle, Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Fox, Mr. Austen, Sir Hen. Colt, Mr. Manley, Mr. Swift, Mr. Pauncefort, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for enabling the Dean and Canons of *Windsor* to exchange Lands with his Majesty, for other Lands, or Rents, of like Value, is committed.

Boscawen's  
Nat.

An ingrossed Bill to naturalize *Charlotte*, the Wife of *Hugh Boscawen* Esquire, was read the Third time.

**Resolved**, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to naturalize *Charlotte* the Wife of *Hugh Boscawen* Esquire.

**Ordered**, That Colonel *Churchill* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereto.

Earl of Orrery's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for enabling *Lionell* Lord of *Orrery*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, by Sale of certain Lands and Tenements, to raise Money for Payment of his Debts; and settle other Lands, to the Uses and Purposes in this Act mentioned; was read a Second time.

**Resolved**, That the Bill be committed to Sir Hen. Dutt, Colt, Sir Tho. Willoughby, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Harley, Lord Ranelagh, Mr. Colchester, Lord Coningsby, Mr. Moor, Mr. Yard, Mr. Poultney, Mr. St. John, Mr. Gwyn, Mr. Boyle, Mr. Hele, Mr. Pershall, Sir John Holland, Mr. Fagg, Mr. Barrell, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Clark, Mr. Clayton, Sir Alex. Rigby, Sir Rich. Onslow, Mr. Palmes, Sir Fra. Masham, Mr. Scobell, Mr. Howard, Lord Fairfax, Mr. Gulston, Sir Robert Cotton, Mr. Bridges: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Privateers.

Mr. Scobell presented to the House, according to Order, a Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

**Resolved**, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Thursday Morning next.

Duty on  
foreign  
Paper.

A Petition of the principal Paper-makers in *England* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Making of Writing and Printing Paper is arrived to a very great Perfection in *England*, but, by reason the Petitioners cannot hire Servants under Eight and Nine Shillings a Week, and Foreigners hire them at 3 s. and 4 s. per Week; and for that the Duty of all foreign Paper, except *French*, is very inconsiderable; Foreigners can import and sell it cheaper than the Petitioners: And praying, That the Manufacture of Paper in *England* may be preserved, by laying such additional Duties on all foreign Paper as shall be thought meet.

**Ordered**, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, who are to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Insolvent  
Debtors.

A Petition of *Arthur Anderson*, and others, Traders in and about the City of *London*, in behalf of themselves, and many other Traders, in and about the said City, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, if the Bill depending in the House, for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt, should pass, as it now is, the Petitioners conceive great Inconveniencies thereby, and that it will not answer the charitable Intentions of the House:

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And praying, That they may be heard, by Counsel, what they have to object against the said Bill.

**Ordered**, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to which the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of the Clothiers of the Town of *Dorchester*, in *Dorsetshire*, and Parts adjacent, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners find a great Decrease of the Woollen Manufactures, by the frequent Exportation of Wool to *France*, and the Running of *French* Goods; the Owers carrying on their Designs, in those Parts, without Interruption: And praying, That some speedy Means may be taken for the most effectual conducing to the Preservation of the Woollen Manufacture.

**Ordered**, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture; and to consider of the best Methods for regulating and improving the same.

A Petition of *Theophilus Tyrrell*, of *Lynton*, in the County of *Cambridge*, Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

And the Question being put, That the said Petition be considered with the other Petitions relating to the *Irish* forfeited Estates;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of Dame *Anne Stapleton*, Relict and Executrix of Sir *William Stapleton* Baronet, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Ditto.

**Ordered**, That the said Petition be considered with the other Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

A Petition of *Goddart* Earl of *Athlone* was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Ditto.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition be considered with the other Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir William Hustler, } 164.  
                                  { Sir Wm. Scawen: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Cha. Barrington, } 140.  
                                  { Mr. Bond: }

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Then the Question being put, That the House will now proceed in receiving Petitions relating to the *Irish* forfeited Estates;

It passed in the Negative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into Consideration the Rights, Liberties, and Privileges, of the House of Commons.

Rights and  
Privileges of  
the House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Mercurii, 18<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

Anno 14<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Burgesses, of the Borough of *Kirkby Kendall*, in the County of *Westmorland*, and of the Company of Weavers within the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That many Persons in the said County have, of late Years, taken upon them to make Linsey-woolseys, who have not served

Woollen Ma-  
nufacture.

served their Apprenticeships of Seven Years to the said Trade; and make slight and deceitful Commodities, by reason of their Unskilfulness; which has brought a mighty Odium and Decay of that Manufacture, to the Petitioners Prejudice: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture; and to consider of the best Methods for regulating and improving the same.

Wiredrawing  
Trade.

A Petition of divers Exporters, and Traders in Silver and Gold Thread, and Lace; in behalf of themselves, and others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in the House for continuing and amending the Act, made in the Ninth and Tenth Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for settling and adjusting the Proportions of fine Silver and Silk, for the better making of Silver and Gold Thread, and to prevent the Abuses of Wiredrawers: And praying, That they may be heard, by their Counsel, or otherwise, in relation to the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Hind's  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for enabling Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Houses, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for the Payment of the Debts of *John Hind*, late of *London*, Goldsmith, be read a Second time upon *Friday Morning* next.

Unwhole-  
some Bran-  
dies.

A Petition of the Master, Wardens, and Assistants, of the Company of Distillers of *London*, on behalf of themselves, and others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners distil Brandy from many Thousand Quarters of Corn which is unfit for brewing; but are greatly discouraged by several unskilful Persons setting up the Trade of making and selling *English Brandy*, who are under no Regulation or Inspection, and have brought a Disreputation upon all Brandies, and strong Waters; and many Persons also run *French Brandy*, and under-sell the Petitioners, who pay a Duty of Six Shillings per Gallon for the same; by which means, and by reason of a Clause in a late Act of Parliament, for laying a Duty on low Wines, and Spirits of the First Extraction, for obliging all Persons that sell Brandy, or strong Waters, by Retail, to take Licences, the Petitioners Trades are become very contemptible, and much decayed: And praying that the House will give them such Relief in the Premises, as shall be thought fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Moor*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Pitt*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Sir *Wm. Phippard*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Jolly*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Topham*, Sir *John Parsons*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Coatsworth*, Mr. *Styles*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Proby*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Wilde*, Mr. *Heathcote*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *St. Loo*, Mr. *Pelham*, Sir *Edw. Hasle*, Mr. *Hutton*, Sir *Fra. Blake*, Mr. *Lambton*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Mr. *Clark*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *Gape*, Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Alcock*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Darwent  
Navigation.

A Petition of the Mercers, Drapers, Grocers, and other the Tradesmen and Burgesses of the Borough of *Malton*, and several of the Inhabitants of several Towns nigh thercunto, situate near the River *Darwent*, in the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting

forth, That the said Borough is a great Market, and trades to *London*, *York*, *Hull*, and other Places; and the said River, upon View, is capable of being made navigable; which when effected, will be a great Advantage to the Trade and Commerce of the said Borough, and other adjacent Places: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for making the said River navigable, at the Charge of such Gentlemen, within and about the said Borough, as will undertake the same.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Palmes* and Sir *Francis Blake* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Petition of several of the Inhabitants of *Milborne Port*, in the County of *Somerset*, on behalf of themselves, and of several of the Inhabitants of the said Borough, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the Election of a Burgess to serve in this Parliament for the said Borough, in the room of Mr. *Thym*, *John Henly* was duly chosen; but the Bailiffs of the said Borough refused to poll several good Votes for him, and polled several unqualified Persons for *John Hunt* Esquire; declaring they would, and accordingly did, return the said Mr. *Hunt*, though he had not a Majority; and, by Threats, Bribes, and other undue Practices, many were prevailed upon to vote for Mr. *Hunt*: And praying Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

*Ordered*, That the Remainder of the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland* be received upon *Friday* next, between the Hours of Eleven and One a Clock.

A Petition of the Ministers, Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, and principal Inhabitants of the respective Parishes of *St. Andrew Undershaft*; *St. Buttolph's*, *Bishopsgate*; *St. Buttolph's*, *Aldgate*; *St. Cath. Creed Church*; *St. Catharine Coleman*; and *St. James, Duke's Place*; in the City of *London*; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That most of the Jews in *London* live in the said Parishes; and, though they enjoy the Protection of the Government, and the free Exercise of their Religion, and grow rich, yet they bear such a Hatred to our National Religion, that, in case any of their Children embrace the same, they utterly disown them, and treat them with great Cruelty; an Instance whereof appears by the Daughter of *Jacob Mendes de Breta*, a rich Jew in *St. Andrew's Undershaft*, who being converted to the Christian Faith, he utterly disowns her for his Child, and refuses to maintain her; so that she is now kept by the said Parish, for her Encouragement, suitable to her Education: And praying, That a Bill may be brought in to oblige *Jacob Mendes de Breta* in particular, and the Jews in general, to maintain, and provide for, their Protestant Children.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Robert Clayton*, Sir *Francis Blake*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Pitt*, Mr. *Hysham*, Sir *Francis Child*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Sir *Fran. Windham*, Lord *Powlett*, Sir *John Bolles*, Lord *Coningsby*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *St. Loe*, Mr. *Lambton*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Ashurst*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Mr. *Booth*, Mr. *Colchester*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Heathcote*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Moor*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Sir *Wm. Scawen*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Hen. Ashurst*, Mr. *Jeffries*, Mr. *Jolliffe*, Mr. *Sheppard*, Sir *Hen. Peachy*, Mr. *Coke*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Mr.

Milborne  
Port Elec-  
tion.

Irish For-  
feitures.

Jews Pro-  
testant Chil-  
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**Salt Duties.**

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for preventing Frauds in the Duties upon Salt: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Friday Morning next.

**Commercial Treaties.**

Mr. *Blathwait*, from the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations, according to Order, presented to the House their Answer to the Order of the Twelfth of January last: And,

A Project of a Treaty of Commerce with *France*, with several Papers annexed, relating thereunto, One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven: And,

A Project of a Treaty of Commerce and Marine with *Sweden*; with several Letters to and from the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, relating thereunto; One thousand Six hundred Ninety-eight: And also,

A Project of a Treaty of Peace and Commerce with the Emperor of *Morocco*; with a Representation from the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, relating to Passes; One thousand Seven hundred and One.

And the Titles thereof were read.

And the said Answers and Projects are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That the said Answers and Projects do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

**A Person ordered to attend.**

The House being informed, That Mr. *Goodenough*, who was ordered to be summoned to attend this House, is in Town;

*Ordered*, That the said Mr. *Goodenough* do attend this House upon Tuesday Morning next, in order to his being examined.

**Newport Writ.**

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a Letter from the Lord *Cutts*, dated at the *Hague*, the One-and-twentieth of February, N. S. One thousand Seven hundred and Two; whereby he desires the House may be acquainted, That, he being elected Knight of the Shire for the County of *Cambridge*, and a Burgess for the Borough of *Newport*, in the *Isle of Wight*, he makes his Choice to serve for the County of *Cambridge*; and desires, that a new Writ may issue for electing a Burgess to serve for the said Borough of *Newport*.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That a Committee be appointed to search Precedents with relation to Members, chosen for several Places, being beyond-sea, and making their Choice for which Place they will serve, before they have qualified themselves to sit in the House;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Mr. <i>Pendarcis</i> , Mr. <i>Vernon</i> :	} 106.
Tellers for the Noes,	{ Sir <i>Edward Hussey</i> , Mr. <i>Lowther</i> :	} 126.

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Newport*, in the County of *Southampton*, in the room of the Lord *Cutts*.

**Punishing Mutiny and Desertion.**

An ingrossed Bill for Punishing of Officers and Soldiers that shall mutiny or desert in *England* or *Ireland*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for Punishing of Officers and Soldiers that shall mutiny or desert in *England* or *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Farrer* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

**Ways and Means.**

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

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Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had sat; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Friday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth and Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for better preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom. Counterfeit-  
ing Coin.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived. Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 19° die Februarii;*

Anno 14° Willielmi Tertii.

**PRAYERS.**

A BILL for vesting the Estate of *Richard Adams*, an *Adams' Estate*, Infant, in Trustees, for raising the Sum of Eight hundred Pounds for the Maintenance and Portions of *William* and *Elizabeth Adams*, Infants, the Brother and Sister of the said *Richard*, pursuant to the Power reserved to *Wm. Adams*, deceased, Father of the said Infants, in and by his Marriage Settlement, and not executed by him in his Life-time, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for clearing, recovering, and repairing, the Haven and Port of *Bridport*, whereby it may be rendered useful and necessary, for the Encouragement of Navigation, was read the First time. *Bridport Harbour.*

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of *Gerrard Lowther* Clerk, and *Anne* his Wife, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Sibill Lowther*, the Petitioner *Gerrard's* Mother, was possessed of a Farm called *Coleby Leathes*, near *Appleby*, in the County of *Westmoreland*, held, by Lease for Twenty-one Years, of the Dean and Chapter of *Carlisle*; which was devised to her by her Husband *Christopher Lowther*, deceased; and assigned over to the Petitioner *Gerrard* by his Mother, who had renewed the same; but subject to pay her Debts and Incumbrances, which are near the Value thereof; That the Petitioner *Gerrard*, not knowing the said Estate to be so high charged, did, on his Marriage with his Wife, agree to settle the same, with other of her own Estate, upon her, and her Issue; and have since had Two Sons, to whom the Petitioner is Guardian: But the Profits of the Premises will never pay the Debts of *Sibill*, and the growing Interest will swallow up the whole Estate; so that it is conceived, by all Parties concerned, that a Sale thereof will most conduce to their Advantage: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to vest the Estate late of Doctor *Christopher Lowther* in Trustees, in order to the Sale thereof, for Discharge of the Debts thereupon. *Lowther's Estate.*

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Richard Sandford* and Sir *Henry Liddall* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Petition of *William Freeman* Esquire . . . . was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the *Caribbean Islands* Petitioners



Petitioners were Owners, and possessed, of several Plantations in the *Caribbee Islands*, in *America*; which they quietly enjoyed, when *Christopher Codrington* Esquire, the present chief Governor of the said Islands, arrived there; but, by several of his illegal Proceedings and Mis-governments, annexed to the Petition, the Petitioners are not only dispossessed of great Part of their Estates; but the rest also are thereby made precarious, and in Danger to be taken from them; and that most of the said Mis-governments have, by Reference from the King, lain, for some time, before the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, without Redress: And praying the Consideration of the House, and Relief therein.

And Mr. *Freeman* was called in to the Bar, to own the said Petition.

And he owned the same accordingly; and declared, That he would make good the Allegations thereof.

And then withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee; and that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Edward Seymour*, Mr. *Bierly*, Sir *Walter Yonge*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Bromley*, Lord *Chemie*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *John Philips*, Mr. *Clark*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Mr. *Blathwaite*, Mr. *Farrer*, Mr. *Crowe*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Rob. Bertie*, Sir *John Williams*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *R. Gulston*, Mr. *Mansell*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Colchester*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Wilde*, Mr. *Jennens*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Sir *Tho. Hammore*, Mr. *Freeman*, Sir *Jacob Banks*, Mr. *Herne*, Sir *Fra. Blake*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Brereton*, Sir *Hen. Ashurst*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Coke*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Bulkley*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Harcey*, Mr. *Walpoole*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Manley*, Mr. *Ja. Bertie*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Papillon*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Wheeler*, Mr. *Comyns*, Mr. *Edward Gulston*, Sir *Cha. Barrington*, Mr. *Harpur*, Mr. *Thompson*; and all the Merchants; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Complaints  
against Col.  
Codrington.

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations do lay before this House what Complaints have been made against Colonel *Codrington*; and what they have done thereupon.

Lighting  
Passages of  
the House.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn* acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee of Privileges and Elections to move the House, That some more Lamps, or Lights, may be set up in convenient Places leading to, and in the Passages about, the House.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do take care to give Notice to the proper Officer, That there be more Lamps, or Lights, set up in convenient Places leading to, and in the Passages about, the House, and the Streets leading thereunto.

Rights and  
Privileges of  
the House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Rights, Liberties, and Privileges, of the House of Commons.

Counterfeit-  
ing Coin.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth and Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for the better preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom.

Security of  
King's Per-  
son and Suc-  
cession.

The Order of the Day, for the Third Reading of the ingrossed Bill for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; being read;

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*Ordered*, That the said Bill be now read the Third time.

The Bill was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, to exempt the Quakers from the Oath in the Bill:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That Persons who take upon them Offices, shall not depart from the Communion of the Church of *England*:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Rowney*, } 139.  
                                  { Mr. *Tredenham*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Walpoole*, } 203.  
                                  { Mr. *White*: }

So it passed in the Negative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill; Pr. 2. L. \*. to insert "under God," before "intire-ly:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made;

Pr. 3. L. 11. to leave out "or otherwise howsoever," in the Clause relating to Lawyers:

And the Question being put, That those Words stand Part of the Bill;

It passed in the Negative:

And the Bill was amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Charles Hedges* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Franklyn* and Sir *Lacon William Child*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for Preventing Perjury, by making wilful Perjury, or Subornation of Perjury, in certain Cases, to be Felony: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, take into Consideration the Petitions and Reports relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*: And that the Trustees in Town be ordered then to attend this House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House upon the Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 20° die Februarii;*

Anno 14° Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

*ORDERED*, That the Bill for enabling Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Houses, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*,  
Hind's Estate.

*Middlesex*, for the Payment of the Debts of *John Hind*, late of *London*, Goldsmith, be read a Second time Tomorrow Morning.

Bribery at Elections.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better preventing Bribery and Corruption in Election of Members to serve in Parliament be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next.

Coventry Election.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the City of *Coventry*, be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Soame's Estate.

A Petition of *Stephen Soame*, of *Little Thurlow*, in the County of *Suffolk*, and *Dorothy* his Wife, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, upon the Petitioners Intermarriage, certain Lands and Tenements, in the said County, were settled upon the Petitioners for Life; and, after, to their First and other Sons in Tail Male; Remainder to the Petitioner *Stephen*, and his Heirs; with a Power for the Trustees to raise 1,500*l.* for Daughters Portions, upon Default of Issue Male: That the Petitioners have Four Sons, and Two Daughters; but no Provision is made by the said Settlement for younger Children; and, by reason of the Earthquake at *Smyrna*, and other Misfortunes, the Petitioner *Stephen* is become in Debt, and incapable to provide for his Family, and pay his Debts, without the Help of an Act of Parliament for Sale of some Part of his Estate; to which his Wife, and her Trustees, are consenting: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for Sale of some Part of the Petitioners Estate, for Payment of Debts, and providing for younger Children.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Samuel Barnardiston* and Sir *Gervas Elwes* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Irish Forfeitures.

A Petition of Dame *Mary O'Neile*, Relict of Sir *Daniel O'Neile*, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the rest of the Petitions relating to the said Estates;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of *Richard Rooth* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates.

A Petition of *John Butler* Esquire, and Dame *Catharine* his Wife, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, that the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of *Alice Countess Dowager of Drogheda*, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the said forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates.

A Petition of *John Adams*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of Dame *Anne Stapleton*, was presented to

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the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates.

A Petition of *Jasper Roth*, of *London*, Merchant, was presented to the House, relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of *Patrick Allen* Esquire was offered to the House; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of the Countess of *Drogheda*, on behalf of *Helen Fleming*, an Infant, only Child of the late Lord *Slane*, Grandson to the said Countess, was offered to the House; relating to the said forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of *James Copinger* Esquire was offered to the House; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of *John Chevers* Esquire was offered to the House; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of *Laurence Fitzgerald*, of *Clonings*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Gentleman, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates.

A Petition of *John Coghlan*, Son and Heir of *Terence Coghlan*, late of *Kincor*, in the *King's County*, and Kingdom of *Ireland*, was offered to the House; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of *Robert Molesworth* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of *John Lord Haversham* was offered to the House; relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

And the Question being put, That the said Petition be brought up;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Austen*, } 102.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Lowther*: } 97.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Petition was brought up accordingly, and read;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered

considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Drake, } 156.  
                                  { Mr. Ash :

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Jo. Packington, } 123.  
                                  { Major Halsey :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Time of Day being now past for the receiving of the Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates; and there being yet several Petitions in the House, in the Hands of Members, to present; the same were, by Directions of the House, delivered in to the Clerk at the Table.

*Resolved*, That no more Petitions, relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, be received, but those which have been now delivered in to the Clerk.

*Ordered*, That the said Petitions, delivered in to the Clerk, be offered to the House upon *Monday* Morning next, between the Hours of Eleven and One a Clock.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Conyers* also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the said Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Attainting Wife of late King James.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Franklyn* and Mr. *Rogers*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to attaint *Mary*, late Wife of the late King *James*, of High Treason: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Salt Duties.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 21° die Februarii;*

Anno 14° Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Caribbee Islands.

*ORDERED*, That Mr. *Price*, Mr. *Sacheverell*, Sir *Henry Seymour*, Sir *Jacob Banks*, Sir *Fran. Warr*, Colonel *Lutterell*, be added to the Committee to whom the Petition of *William Freeman* Esquire is referred.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth and Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for the better preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Newton* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Newton* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill; and made several Amendments; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Sir *Roger Mostyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Settlement of some Lands and Tenements of Sir *Tho. Stanley* Baronet, for his Family's Benefit; and to enable him, in lieu thereof, to charge his Estate for Payment of his Debts: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read upon *Monday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Bill to explain and alter the Act, made in the Two-and-twentieth Year of King *Henry* the Eighth, concerning Repairing and Amending of Bridges in the Highways, is committed, have Power to receive a Clause to explain, or repeal, the Act, made in the Twenty-third Year of Queen *Eliz.* intituled, An Act for the re-edifying *Cardiffe* Bridge, in the County of *Glamorgan*.

Mr. *Vaughan*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace, and Deputy Lieutenants: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read upon *Monday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Clarke*, Sir *Walter Yonge*, Colonel *Wharton*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Lambton*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for restoring the Harbour of *Rye* to its ancient Goodness is committed.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable *Robert Appreece* the elder, and *Robert Appreece* the younger, to raise Money out of their Estate, for Payment of a Debt due to his Majesty: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Hoymen, Freeholders, and Farmers of the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex* was referred, be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Mr. *Clayton*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the more effectual preventing the Abuses and Frauds of Persons employed in working upon the Woollen, Linen, and Cotton Manufactures of this Kingdom: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read upon *Monday* Morning next.

Mr. *Cox*, according to Order, presented to the House, a Bill for vesting the Estate of *William Matthews* Gentleman, and *Catharine* his Wife, in Trustees, to be sold, for the Purposes therein mentioned: And the same was received.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of Debts due from several Receivers and Collectors of the Customs; And the Title thereof was read. And the Account is as follows; viz.

Debts

DEBTS due to his Majesty the 25 December 1701, per the respective Receivers in *London*; viz:

	Bonds.			Money.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Sir John Shaw, on the General Receipt - - - - -	75,659	4	1½			
Ditto, on Wines - - - - -	6,945	0	2	97	3	6
Hen. Wolstenholm, on Plantation Goods - - - - -	43,973	14	4			
Henry Fern, Esquire, Receiver General - - - - -	881,548	5	6			
Michael Weeks, late Receiver - - - - -	28,278	15	2	8,473	11	10½
Tho. Granger, ditto - - - - -	80	7	3½	540	0	9
The King's Remembrancer's Office, in the Exchequer, for Prosecution -	44,412	10	10			
	£. 1,080,197	17	5	9,110	16	1½

DEBTS due to His Majesty the 25 December 1701, from the several respective Receivers of the Out Ports, according to their Monthly Abstract; viz.

	Bonds.			Money.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Barnstaple - - - - -	1,302	16	11½	96	9	10½
Beaumaris - - - - -				168	15	7
Berwick - - - - -						
Boston - - - - -	275	15	8½	326	1	6½
Bridgwater - - - - -	2,090	15	9	94	17	11½
Bristol - - - - -	97,976	6	7	3,922	5	8½
Bydiford - - - - -	6,612	16	8½	473	3	4½
Carlisle - - - - -				566	5	5
Chester - - - - -	4,731	3	0½	606	18	2½
Chichester - - - - -				80	8	9½
Colchester - - - - -				77	6	3½
Cowes - - - - -						
Dartmouth - - - - -	196	11	11	364	7	5
Deal - - - - -						
Dover - - - - -						
Exon - - - - -						
Falmouth - - - - -						
Fecersham - - - - -				193	7	6
Fowey - - - - -						
Harwich - - - - -				336	4	5½
Hull - - - - -	2,653	8	9½	200	0	0
Ipswich - - - - -						
Lancaster - - - - -	4,035	17	3	496	16	8
Liverpoole - - - - -	36,693	16	8½	1,239	2	7½
Looe - - - - -						
Lyme - - - - -	41	11	3	32	0	7
Lynn - - - - -	5,958	0	9½	667	14	8½
Milford - - - - -						
Minehead - - - - -	453	15	8	134	10	2½
Newcastle - - - - -	277	13	5½	355	4	9½
Newhaven - - - - -				211	11	4½
Padstow - - - - -	7	13	9			
Penryn - - - - -	61	12	8½	100	8	10½
Penzance - - - - -						
Plymouth - - - - -	4,649	13	5			
Poole - - - - -						
Portsmouth - - - - -	305	6	9½	290	19	7½
Poulton - - - - -	284	2	1½	13	7	7½
Rochester - - - - -	66	1	3	84	18	4½
Rye - - - - -				2	2	6
Sandwich - - - - -				368	12	1½
Southampton - - - - -						
Stockton - - - - -	3,201	18	1½	17	3	3½
Sunderland - - - - -				66	9	8½
Swanzy - - - - -	176	5	11½	306	19	3
Truro - - - - -				140	9	6½
Weymouth - - - - -						
Whitby - - - - -	13	7	6	29	12	5½
Whitchaven - - - - -						
Yarmouth - - - - -						
	£. 172,073	12	2½	12,074	16	0½

The Blanks of the several Collectors are not filled up; for that their Abstracts of December, nor the Month of January, are not yet sent up.

With the Solicitor of the Customs for Prosecution:

					Bonds.			Money.		
					£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Late Collectors,	Bristol	-	-	-	John Dut. Colt	-	-	1,420	5	4 ½
	Lynn	-	-	-	Rob. Thorogood	-	-	3,404	0	5 ½
	Sandwich	-	-	-	Mich. Walford	-	-	4,221	17	0 ½
	Stockton	-	-	-	Wm. Dowthwait	-	-	775	15	0
	Chichester	-	-	-	James Smith	-	-	1,112	14	3 ½
	Harwich	-	-	-	Mark Wildbore	-	-	292	6	3 ½
	Weymouth	-	-	-	Lodowick Jackson	-	-	1,691	8	2
	Whitehaven	-	-	-	Andrew Hudleston	-	-	2,610	3	8 ½
								890	4	11 ½
								£.	14,998	9 11 ½

Wm. Lowndes.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Papers concerning Sir H. Furnesse.

Mr. Lowndes also, according to Order, presented to the House the last Contracts for circulating Exchequer Bills: And also, Copies of Minutes concerning Sir Henry Furnesse. And the Titles thereof were read: And the Minutes are as follow; viz.

Cockpit, Treasury Chambers, 14<sup>o</sup> June 1701, Forenoon.

P R E S E N T.

Lord Godolphin, Sir Steph. Fox,  
Mr. Boyle, Mr. Hill.

Sir Henry Furnesse, Sir James Bateman, John Heathcott, and \* Farmer, Esquires, to be Trustees for Circulation of Exchequer Bills.

Cockpit, Treasury Chambers, 14<sup>o</sup> November 1701, Forenoon.

P R E S E N T.

Sir Stephen Fox, Mr. Chancellor,  
Mr. Hill, Mr. Pelham.

Sir Henry Furnesse is called in.

He resigns his Place of Trustee for Exchequer Bills. These are true Copies of the Entries in the Minute Books of the Treasury. Wm. Lowndes.

Ordered, That the said Contracts and Minutes be taken into Consideration upon Tuesday Morning next, after the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the City of Coventry.

Ordered, That Sir Henry Furnesse do attend this House, in his Place, upon Tuesday Morning next.

Privateers.

A Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they may have Power to consider of the reducing the Duties upon all French Goods that shall be taken, and condemned, during a War, to such Proportion as may be for the Encouragement of Privateers.

Boscawen's Nat.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir John Franklyn and Sir Lacon William Child:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to naturalize Charlotte the Wife of Hugh Boscawen Esquire, without any Amendment.

And then the Messengers withdrew:

Salt Duties.

A Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties was, according to Order, read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed, upon the Debate of the House.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

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R. Holt, Comptroller General.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

A Petition of the Lords and Gentlemen of the County Palatine of Chester, and the Grand Jury at the Quarter Sessions for the said County, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by the clandestine Use of Rock Salt in Specie; the selling foreign Salt by Measure; the Advantages given in Weight, and Drawback Bonds; and by other Allowances, which the Brine Salt wants; the Petitioners very sensibly find the Ruin of the Brine Manufacture, the Begging of many thousand Families, who, before these Frauds, got a comfortable Subsistence: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration, for the general Encouragement of the Brine Salt Manufacture.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Consideration of the whole House.

The House proceeded, according to Order, to take into Consideration the Petitions and Reports, relating to the forfeited Estates in Ireland, presented to the House the last Parliament: Irish Forfeitures.

And the Two Trustees in Town attending, according to Order;

They were called in:

And the Petition of Dorothy Baroness Dowager of Upper Ossery; with the Report of the Trustees in Town thereupon; and the Report of all the Trustees; and also, the Clause, relating to the said Lady, in the Act for vesting the forfeited Estates in the Trustees; being read;

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the making more effectual the Clause in the said Act, for the Benefit of the said Baroness of Upper Ossery.

The Petition of Thomas Earl of Limerick; and the Report of the Trustees in Town thereupon; and the Report of all the Trustees; and also the Clause in the said Act, relating to the said Earl of Limerick; being read; and also,

The Petition of Henry Westenra Esquire, in behalf of himself, and several other Purchasers, under the Earl of Athlone, of the forfeited Estates of the late Earl of Limerick; and the Trustees Report thereupon; being also read;

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for enlarging the Time for the Earl of Limerick to put in his Claim; or make his Election for taking the Eight thousand Pounds designed to him by the said Act.

The Petition of Captain James Roche; and the Report of the Trustees in Town thereupon; and the Report of all the Trustees; and also, the Clause in the Act, relating to the said Captain Roche; being read;

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for explaining the Clause in the said Act, in favour of the said Captain James Roche.

The Petition of Francis de la Rue Esquire; and the Report of the Trustees in Town thereupon; and the Report of all the Trustees; and also the Clause in the Act, relating to the said Francis de la Rue; being read;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for vesting the Lands, granted to the said Francis de la Rue, in the Trustees



Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, for the Benefit of the said *Francis de la Rue*, and his Wife and Children;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of *John Burk*, commonly called Lord *Bophin*, in behalf of himself, his Wife, and their Nine infant Children; and the Report of the Trustees in Town thereupon; and also, the Report of all the Trustees; being read;

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for making Provision for the Protestant Children of the Earl of *Clanriccard*, and the Lord *Bophin*.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Wednesday Morning* next, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; and the Reports thereupon: And that the Trustees, now in Town, do then attend.

Ways and Means.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, be made upon *Monday Morning* next.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday Morning*, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 23<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;*

Anno 14<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Filmer's Estate.

A PETITION of *Susanna Filmer*, Widow and Administratrix of *Thomas Filmer* Esquire, deceased, on behalf of herself, and *Susanna* and *Mary*, her Daughters, only Daughters and Co-heirs of the said *Thomas Filmer*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner's late Husband died suddenly, without making a Will, Settlement, or other Provision, for his Family; only a Bond entered into by him, before Marriage, for leaving his said Wife Three Thousand Pounds; and left an Estate, consisting of Lands in Fee-simple, much incumbered; and was otherwise much indebted to other Persons; so that, unless some speedy and effectual Care be taken, the Interest of the Debts, and Law Charges, will eat up the whole Estate: That the Petitioner is willing to relinquish a considerable Part of her said Debt, so as her Children may have some further certain Provision made them out of their Father's Estate, and the Residue be applied for the Payment of all her Husband's Debts; which, she hopes, will then be sufficient for that Purpose, or very near it: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for vesting the real Estate of the said *Thomas Filmer* in Trustees, to be sold, for making some certain Provision for the Petitioners; and applying the Residue, and his personal Estate, for the Payment of his Debts; and for the settling such Debts as shall be controverted.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Harcourt* and Mr. *Carter* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Appreese's Estate.

A Bill to enable *Robert Appreese* the elder, and *Robert Appreese* the younger, to raise Money out of their Estate, for Payment of a Debt due to his Majesty, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Address presented.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That their Address of Thanks to his Majesty, for his gracious communicating to this House the Addresses he had received from *Ireland*, hath been presented to his Majesty.

Adams' Estate.

A Bill for vesting the Estate of *Richard Adams*, an Infant, in Trustees, for raising the Sum of Eight hundred Pounds, for the Maintenance and Portions of *William* and *Elizabeth Adams*, Infants, the Brother and Sister of the said *Richard*, pursuant to the Power reserved to *William*

*Adams*, deceased, Father of the said Infants, in and by his Marriage Settlement, and not executed by him in his Life-time, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Sir *John Bolles*, Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, Mr. *Kinaston*, Sir *Walt. Young*, Sir *Henry Bunbury*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Morley*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Mr. *St. Loe*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Drake*, Sir *Fran. Blake*, Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Blake*, Sir *Arth. Owen*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Sir *Wm. St. Quintin*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Mitton*, Mr. *Sheppard*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Mr. *Robert Price*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *Campion*, Mr. *For*; and all that serve for the County of *Salop* and *North Wales*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Mr. *Blathwaite*, from the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations, presented to the House their Answer to the Order of the 19th Instant; relating to Colonel *Codrington*, with several Papers concerning him, and Schedules of them:

The Titles whereof were read.

And the Schedules are as follow; viz.

A List of Papers relating to Mr. *Freeman's Case*:

N<sup>o</sup> 1. A Copy of an Order of Council, of the 18th of December 1701, referring to the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations the Petition of Mr. *William Freeman*, relating to the Manor of *Godwyn*, in *St. Christophers*:

2. Copy of Mr. *Freeman's* Patent for the Manor of *Godwin*, in the Island of *St. Christophers*, dated 8 August 1699:

3. Copies of the Affidavits of *John Goodwyn*, and *Wm. Mead*, relating to *John Pogson's* being in the Possession of the Manor of *Godwyn* for Mr. *Freeman*; and of his being turned out thereof; also of the Warrant for the Commitment of the said *Pogson*; with his Petition to the General for Relief:

4. Copy of a Letter from Mr. *James Taylor* to Mr. *Pogson*, about the Two Justices of the Peace, who dispossessed the said *Pogson* of the Manor of *Godwin*; with a Deposition of Mr. *Mead*; relating thereunto:

5. Copy of a Memorial from Mr. *Hutcheson*, in Answer to Mr. *Freeman's* Petition, relating to the Manor of *Godwin*, in *St. Christophers*:

6. Copy of a Second Memorial from Mr. *Hutcheson*, in Answer to Mr. *Freeman's* Complaint, relating to the Manor of *Godwin*, in *St. Christophers*:

7. Extract of the Minutes of the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations, of the 22d and 30th of December 1701; and of the 6th of January, and 5th February, 1701-2; relating to Mr. *Freeman's Case*:

8. Copy of a Representation of the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, upon Mr. *Freeman's Case*, dated the 5th February 1701-2.

A List of Papers relating to Mr. *Mead* and Mr. *Shipman's Case*:

N<sup>o</sup> 1. Copy of an Order of Council, of the 18th of December 1701, referring, to the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, the Petition of Mr. *William Mead*, relating to Two Plantations, called *Harvey's* Plantations, in *Nevis*:

2. Copy of an Order of Council, of the 18th of December 1701, referring, to the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, the Petition of Mr. *William Shipman*, &c. relating to Two Plantations, called *Harvey's* Plantations, in *Nevis*:

3. Copy of a Memorial from Mr. *Hutcheson*, in Answer to the Petitions of Mr. *Mead* and Mr. *Shipman*, &c. relating to Two Plantations in *Nevis*:

4. Copy of a Letter from Mr. *Hutcheson*, relating to the Petitions of Mr. *Mead* and Mr. *Shipman*, &c.:

5. Copy of Proceedings of the Governor in Chief, and Council, of *Antegoa*, on the 6th of September 1701, relating to Mr. *Mead's* Appeal:

6. Extract of the Minutes of the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, of the 23d and 31 December 1701-2, and of the 7th and 13th of January, and 12 and 13th

13th Feb. 1701-2; relating to the Case of Mr. Mead, Mr. Shipman, &c.:

7. Copy of a Representation of the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, upon the Case of Mr. Mead, Mr. Shipman, &c. February 5th 1701-2.

A List of the Papers relating to Captain Norton's Petition:

N<sup>o</sup> 1. Copy of an Order of Counsel of the 18th December 1701, referring, to the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, the Petition of Captain Norton, late Lieutenant Governor of *St. Christophers*, complaining of Colonel *Codrington's* Proceedings against him:

2. Extract of the Minutes of the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, of the 23d and 31st of December 1701, relating to Captain Norton's Petition.

The Answer, and Papers, are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Answer, and Papers, be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Wm. Freeman* Esquire is referred.

Damasking  
Stuffs.

A Petition of *Thomas Ferrers*, and several others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are Assignees of a Patent granted 7<sup>o</sup> *Wilhelmi* to *Tho. Mathews* and *Tho. Ferrers*, for damasking and fixing Colours on Stuffs and Cloth; and, by Six Years Expence, have greatly improved the said Invention; so that now they can raise and imboss on all Stuffs and Cloths various Flowers and Figures, with Shades of all Colours; to the great Improvement of the Woollen Manufacture: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the better Encouragement of the said Invention.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that the Lord *Fairfax*, Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, Sir *Francis Blake*, and Mr. *Williams*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

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sions.

Mr. *Brewer*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Hoymen, Freeholders, and Farmers, of the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, was referred, the Matter, as it appeared to them, together with the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House: which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

That the Petitioners, in order to prove the Allegations of their Petition, produced several Witnesses: Who gave their Testimony as follows:

*Richard Gurney*, *John Burgesse*, *Joshua Fleet*, said, That they know, that the Petitioners Trade and Employment is to carry Corn and Hops from *Kent* and *Essex* to serve the City of *London*; and that there is seldom any Voyages made by the Petitioners, but they are on board of more or less of their Hoys; and never saw any customable Goods aboard them.

*Maurice Atkins*: That, about Thirty Years ago, it was usual to bring Corn from *Sandwich* to *London* only by *Transires*, without giving any Bonds, or taking out Cocquets; those Matters having been imposed upon them since that time; and used them to pay for their *Transires* 1s. 2d. apiece: But that now they are forced to take Cocquets, and enter into Bonds; for which they pay 5s. 6d. at the Port where they lade; and 3s. for putting the same into the Custom-house; before they can have the Lord Mayor's Bill to deliver their Goods; and 6d. for their Return, to be annexed to the Bond, when they go back to the Port where their Bonds lie.

*Richard Rogers* said, That, when he brings a Hundred Quarters, or above, of Corn from *Essex*, he is forced to take a Cocquet, and give Bond to the Collector of the Customs below; for which he must pay there 7s. 2d. and 2s. 6d. for putting the same into the Custom-house; and 2s. 6d. more for taking out his Return from thence; and 4d. more below, to annex such Return to the Bond.

*Roger Lamming*, *William Jones*, and *John Hales*, said, That they have been frequently obliged to take Cocquets, and give their Bonds below, when they have not brought above 60 Quarters of Corn; nay, when they have brought but 20 or 15 Quarters, they have been obliged so to do;

And that, notwithstanding they have made good Returns from the Custom-house here to the Ports below, to be annexed to their Bonds, according to the Conditions thereof; yet, upon the Officers returning their Bonds up to the Exchequer, they have Process issued out against them; and have thereupon been forced to take out fresh Bonds, or be prosecuted; and, upon such Prosecutions, have been put to 4 or 5l. Charge; although their Returns were duly delivered to the Officers below, who make use of so slight a Way of annexing the Returns to the Bonds, only by a Bit of Thread through Two Pin-holes at the Edge of the Bond, whereby the Returns are often lost; and, when the Officer pleases, it is but paring off the Edges of the Bond, and then there remains no Sign that the Returns were affixed; whereby the Obligors, though they have duly performed the Bonds, become liable to the Exchequer Prosecutions: To prevent which, they must, at least, renew their Returns; which sometimes cost them 17 or 18s. notwithstanding their duly clearing their Goods before.

*Tho. Soccing* said, That they usually make their Voyages once a Week, or in a Fortnight at furthest; and are forced to take Cocquets every Voyage, which generally costs them 11s. besides the Danger of their Returns being not annexed to their Bonds; and so are liable to Prosecutions; which proves a great Grievance to them, and a Discouragement to their Employment.

*Christopher Castell* said, That, 25 Years ago, they used constantly to bring their Corn from *Faversham*, and those Parts, by *Transires* only, for which they then paid but One Shilling and Six-pence below, and Six-pence above, when they delivered their Corn; but they are now forced to pay Three Shillings and Six-pence, and sometimes 4s. for the same.

*Richard Stevens* said, That, when he has been permitted to bring his Corn by *Transires* below, the Officers above would make him pay for Cocquets and Bonds, though he had not any, before they would permit him to clear his Vessel; which the Petitioners presume to be a great Hardship upon them, considering the Encouragement of the late Act of Parliament for Transportation of Corn, ground or unground, Duty-free:

That they are willing to be obliged to take out *Transires*; and that their Lading may be inspected; and will give Bonds yearly, as Security, for the true Discharge of their Goods; which they hope, will answer equally their Security to the Government, and free them from the frequent and precarious Disturbances and Prosecutions that have befallen them from their being obliged to take Cocquets, and entering into Bonds, only for the private Advantage of some few Persons in the Custom-house, and the Exchequer.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to the Resolutions following; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Petitioners have fully proved the Allegations in their Petition.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the House be moved for Leave to bring in a Bill for the Petitioners Relief.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other inland Provisions, to the City of *London*: And that Mr. *Brewer* and Mr. *Lowndes* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Ordered, That Sir *John Bolles*, Sir *Francis Blake*, Mr. *Bridges* in *Kinaston*, Mr. *Shepherd*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Highways*, *Richards*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Mitton*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Ash*, be added to the

the Committee, to whom the Bill to explain or alter the Act, made in the Two-and-twentieth Year of King Henry the Eighth, concerning Repairing and Amending of Bridges in the Highways, is committed.

Caribbee Islands.

*Ordered*, That Sir William St. Quintin, Mr. Foley, Mr. Cor, Sir Edw. Hussey, Sir Walter Yonge, Sir John Bolles, Sir Cha. Bloys, Mr. Walpole, Mr. Lambton, Mr. Yates, Mr. Marks, Sir Tho. Hales, Mr. Dormer, Mr. Cesar, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Burnaby, Mr. Courtney, Mr. Dormer, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of William Freeman Esquire is referred.

A Person ordered to attend.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That John Woodman, of Malmsbury, who was ordered to be summoned to attend the House, in order to his being examined, is come to Town.

*Ordered*, That the said John Woodman do attend this House To-morrow Morning.

Book of Commissioners of Prizes.

*Ordered*, That the Books and Accounts, which have been laid before this House by the Commissioners of Prizes, be transmitted to the Commissioners of Accounts.

Irish Forfeitures.

The House proceeded, according to Order, upon the Petitions in relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland; And several of those, who had been delivered to the Clerk, were offered to the House, as follow; viz.

The Petition of Patrick Magauley, and Pierce Nugent, in behalf of themselves, and their Wives, the Sisters and Co-heirs of Thomas Lycister Esquire, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in Ireland:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir Rushout Cullen, } 68.  
                                  { Mr. Carter: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Hen. Dutt. Colt, } 88.  
                                  { Mr. Bierly: }

So it passed in the Negative.

The Petition of William Fanshaw, in behalf of himself, and his Son-in-Law Agmondisham Vesey Esquire, and Anne and Henrietta Vesey, Infants, Grandchildren and Heirs of William Sarsfield Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in Ireland:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates;

It passed in the Negative.

The Petition of William Shee was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in Ireland:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates;

It passed in the Negative.

The Petition of Dame Catharine Dowdall, Widow and Relict of Sir Luke Dowdall Baronet, in behalf of herself, and her Seven Children, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in Ireland:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates;

It passed in the Negative.

The Petition of Richard Warburton, of the King's County, in the Kingdom of Ireland, Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in Ireland:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being

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put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of Robert King, Thomas Maxwell, James Hamilton, and John Henderson, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the forfeited Estates in Ireland:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered with the other Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates;

It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of James McLony, of the City of Dublin, Bookseller, being offered to the House; relating to the forfeited Estates in Ireland;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

The Petition of Bartholomew Nagle being offered to the House; relating to the forfeited Estates in Ireland;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

The Petition of William Caulfield Esquire, being offered to the House; relating to the forfeited Estates in Ireland;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Edmund Sansum, Edward Brown, John Wyat, and Joseph Hancock, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, be brought to the Bar To-morrow Morning, in order to their Discharge. Persons in Custody to be brought to the Bar.

Mr. Conyers, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Duty be laid upon Malt.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Duty be laid upon Malt.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Conyers also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Friday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned. Committees.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better preventing Bribery and Corruption in Election of Members to serve in Parliament be read a Second time upon Friday Morning next. Bribery at Elections.

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*Ordered*,

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

Ordered, That the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet* be read a Second time upon *Wednesday Morning* next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 24<sup>a</sup> die Februarii;*

Anno 14<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Public Money  
in Agents  
Hands.

A PETITION of Colonel *John Buchan* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner being Colonel of a Regiment of Foot, made Mr. *William Graham* his Agent; who, and, by his Order, Mr. *Godfrey Webster*, *Nath. Waterhouse*, and Mr. *Nordwick*, have each of them gotten great Sums of the publick Money belonging to the said Regiment into their Hands, and refuse to give the Petitioner an Account thereof: And praying, That their Accounts may be examined, and the Petitioner relieved concerning the same.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Commissioners for examining, stating, and taking, the publick Accounts: And that they do examine and state the Matter of Fact to the House.

Melcomb-  
Regis  
Election.

A Petition of *Michael Harcey* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Antony Henley* Esquire, and the Petitioner, stood Candidates at the last Election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Melcomb-Regis*, in the County of *Dorset*: And the said Mr. *Henley*, or his Agents, by Bribes and Entertainments, did procure divers Electors to vote for him, in Wrong to the Petitioner, and the Inhabitants of the said Borough: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Salt Duties.

A Petition of the Mayor and Citizens of the City of *Chester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by reason of the clandestine Use of Salt Rock in Specie; the Sale of foreign Salt by Measure; the Advantages given in Weight and Drawback Bonds; and the various Opportunities of Fraud in the Exportation of it, and imposing it on the Buyer for Brine Salt; the Petitioners are very sensible of the Ruin of the ancient Brine Manufacture; to the Decay of the Revenue upon Salt, and many Thousands, who got a Livelihood thereby: And praying, That the House will apply such Remedies, as may be for the general Encouragement of the Brine Manufacture.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties is committed.

Gower's  
Estate.

A Petition of *William Gower* Esquire, and *Helen* his Wife, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That upon the Petitioners Inter-marriage, a Settlement was made of a Moiety of the Manor of *Attingham*, in *Com' Salop*, which lies remote from Mr. *Gower's* other Estate; and will be much for the Petitioners Benefit that the same be sold; and a Farm, called *Selly-hall*, and a Moiety of the Manor of *St. John*, in *Bedwardin, Com' Worcester*, of better Value, be settled to the like Uses as the said *Shropshire* Lands; the surviving Trustees, and all Parties concerned, being desirous that the same may be done: And praying, that Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for Sale of the Moiety of the Manor of *Attingham*; and for settling the said Lands in *Worcestershire*, of better Value, to the like Uses, in lieu thereof.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Gwyn*, and Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Bill for the rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Wm. St. Quintin*, Mr. Serjeant *Whitaker*, Mr. *Masters*, Mr. *Clayton*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Tho. Delavall*, Sir *Henry Liddall*, Sir *Rob. Clayton*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Mr. *Cæsar*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Thompson*, Sir *Rob. Fagg*, Mr. *Cox*, Sir *Arth. Owen*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Fagg*, Sir *Cha. Blois*, Mr. *Harris*, Mr. *Hysham*, Sir *Hen. Bunbury*, Mr. *Bridges*, Lord *Russell*, Mr. *Lambton*, Mr. *York*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Markes*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Heathcot*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Burton*, Sir *John Turner*, Sir *Phil. Sidenham*, Mr. *Nicolas*, Mr. *Mitford*; and all that serve for the Counties of *York*, *Durham*, *Northumberland*, and the Sea Ports: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Petition of the Maltsters of the Town of *Basingstoke*, in the County of *Southampton*, relating to the Duty laid upon Malt, being offered to the House;

And the Question being put, That the Petition be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

A Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace, and Deputy Lieutenants, was read the First time.

Justices of  
Peace Qua-  
lification.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of the Vice Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars, of the University of *Cambridge*, as also of the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Burgesses, of the Town and Borough of *Cambridge*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Rivers running from *Cambridge* to *King's Lynn* heretofore were great and navigable Streams for Barges and Vessels; whereby the said University, and Parts adjacent, were well served with Coals, Fish, Salt, and other Commodities, at reasonable Rates; but, for want of sufficient Banks, Stanks, and Sluices, for keeping up the Water in the shallow Places, the said River, in divers Places between *Cambridge*, and a Place about Seven Miles below, called *Clayhive*, is so silted, and grown up, that the said Navigation will be wholly lost, if not timely prevented: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for cleansing and digging the Shallows of the Rivers running from the University and Town of *Cambridge* to *King's Lynn*; and for making and erecting Sluices, and other Engines, on the said River; whereby the Navigation and Commerce of the said Town may be recovered and preserved.

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Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Sir *John Cotton*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Gulston*, Sir *Jacob Banks*, Sir *Hen. Seymour*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Price*, Mr. *Lutterell*, Sir *Francis War*, Mr. *Sacheverall*, Mr. *Newton*, Mr. *Conyers*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *William Freeman* Esquire is referred.

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Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Master, Wardens, and Assistants, of the Company of Distillers of *London*, on behalf of themselves, and others, was referred, be made To-morrow Morning.

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Mr. *Newton* reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for continuing the Act, made

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in the Eighth and Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for the better preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom, was committed, the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and all of them, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; except,

Clause B, to take off the Benefit of Clergy from such as shall steal the Silver and Coin at the Mint, after their Conviction of the Felony, being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Rights and Privileges of the House.

Ordered, That the Lord Marquis of *Hartington* have Leave to make a Motion, it being about Two a Clock.

Accordingly the Lord Marquis of *Hartington* moved for an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, who are, upon *Thursday* next, to consider further of the Rights, Liberties, and Privileges, of the House of Commons.

Resolved, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do consider of the Rights and Liberties of all the Commons of *England*.

Ways and Means.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, who were to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Duty upon Malt be Six-pence per Bushel.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the said Duty be granted to his Majesty from the Ninth of March One thousand Seven hundred and One, to the Twenty-fourth Day of June One thousand Seven hundred and Three.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a further Duty be laid upon all Mum made or imported.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the said Duty be after the Rate of Ten Shillings per Barrel.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the said Duty upon Mum be granted to his Majesty until the Twenty-fourth Day of June One thousand Seven hundred and Three.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a further Duty be laid upon all Cyder and Perry which shall be made for Sale, to be paid by the Retailer thereof.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the said Duty be after the Rate of Four Shillings per Hogshead.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the said Duties be granted to his Majesty until the Twenty-fourth Day of June One thousand Seven hundred and Three.

The said Resolutions being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in, upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. *Cowper*, and Mr. *Lowndes*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Attendance excused.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a Letter from Sir *Henry Furnesse*; and a Certificate from the Doctor and Apothecary, That Sir *Henry*

*Furnesse* is very ill, and not able to attend the House this Day, as ordered; but that he would attend as soon as he is able.

Ordered, That the examining into the Execution of the Act for vesting the forfeited Estates in *Ireland* in Trustees be adjourned till To-morrow Morning: And that the Trustees in Town do then attend this House.

*Edmund Sansum*, *Edward Brown*, *John Wayt*, and *Joseph Hancock*, in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, were, according to Order, brought to the Bar, in order to their Discharge: Where they, upon their Knees, received a Reprimand from Mr. Speaker.

Ordered, That the said *Edmund Sansum*, *Edward Brown*, *John Wayte*, and *Joseph Hancock*, be discharged out of Custody, paying their Fees.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Goodenough*, and *John Woodman*, of *Malmsbury*, attended, according to Order;

Ordered, That the said Mr. *Goodenough*, and *John Woodman*, do attend this House To-morrow Morning, in order to their being examined.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Hoskins* and Sir *Robert Legard*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for punishing Officers and Soldiers that shall mutiny or desert in *England* or *Ireland*, without any Amendments. Also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the City of *Coventry*, and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered it at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the double Return of Sir *Charles Hales*, and *Henry Neal* Esquire, to serve for the City of *Coventry*; and also upon the several Petitions of Sir *Christopher Hales*, and Mr. *Neale*; and of Two other Petitions of Electors *pro et contra*:

That there were, upon the Poll,

For Sir <i>Christopher Hales</i>	-	-	777
For Mr. <i>Hopkins</i>	-	-	771
For Mr. <i>Neale</i>	-	-	754
For Mr. <i>Gery</i>	-	-	615

That the Counsel for Sir *Christopher Hales* insisted, That the Right of Election was in the Freemen of *Coventry* not receiving Alms, or Charity.

The Counsel for Mr. *Neale* insisted, That the Right was in all Freemen, whether they received Alms or no.

And the Committee, having heard what was alleged on both Sides, came to this Resolution;

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Freemen of *Coventry* receiving Alms, or Charity, have no Right to vote in the Election of Citizens to serve in Parliament for the City of *Coventry*.

That it was agreed by the Counsel on both Sides, That no Person could be a Freeman of *Coventry*, but by serving Seven Years Apprenticeship, within the City of *Coventry*, to one and the same Trade.

That the Counsel for Sir *Chr. Hales* alleged, That they should take off several that had polled for Mr. *Neale*; and should prove ill Practices by Mr. *Neale*, and his Agents.

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That the First Head of Exceptions against Mr. *Neal's* Voters, was, to such as they alleged to be no Freemen: And they excepted to, and gave Evidence against, an Hundred and Ten Persons, who voted for Mr. *Neale*, as not being free; to *Hugh Bucknall*, as having polled twice; and to *Jos. Smith*, as under Age.

That the next Head of Exceptions Sir *Chr. Hales'* Counsel proceeded on, was, of Persons in Hospitals.

And they excepted to, and gave Evidence against, Twenty-two Persons, as being in Hospitals.

That they also excepted to, and gave Evidence against, Two Persons, as receiving the Countess of *Devonshire's* Gift, that is 10 s. apiece, disposed to them the Tenth March One thousand Seven hundred.

That they also excepted to, and gave Evidence against, Ten Persons, as receiving Sir *Tho. White's* Gift, which is 40 s. apiece, disposed to them the same Day.

That they also excepted to, and gave Evidence against, Nine Persons, as receiving Sir *Tho. White's* Loans; which is a Loan of Money, without Interest, from 10 to 40 l. apiece.

That they also excepted to, and gave Evidence against, Nine Persons, as receiving Mr. *Wheatly's* Gift, which is 30 s. apiece, disposed of to several Tradesmen on the Sixteenth of December last.

That they also excepted to, and gave Evidence against, Eighteen Persons, as receiving Mr. *Jesson's*, Mr. *Clark's*, or Mr. *Bohun's* Gift, being 20 s. or under, apiece, disposed the Two-and-twentieth December last; and to Three others, who received 40 s. apiece, that were Mr. *Jesson's* Relations.

That they also excepted to, and gave Evidence against, Six Persons, as receiving 3 l. apiece, to put out their Sons Apprentices; which was paid the Two-and-twentieth December last.

That they also excepted to, and gave Evidence against, Eight others, as having received, or being promised, other Loan Money, in the Disposition of the Council-house: But it did not appear when it was received; and Five of them had not received the Money.

That they also excepted to, and gave Evidence against, Thirty-six Persons, as having received Parish Relief.

That they also gave Evidence, as to Seven, That they were Freemen of *Coventry*, and would have polled for Sir *Chr. Hales*, and Mr. *Gery*, and were refused; which, the Counsel insisted, ought to be added to Sir *Chr. Hales'* Poll.

That the Counsel for Sir *Chr. Hales* also insisted, That there were several indirect Practices by Mr. *Neale*, and his Agents: And, to that, they called several Witnesses:

Mr. *Edward Hales* said, That he came to Town a Fortnight before the Election: That he went to several People in *Coventry*, and found several Reports against Sir *Chr. Hales*: Amongst the rest, there was one, promoted by Mr. *Tongue*, a Nonconformist Minister, That Sir *Christopher* had vindicated the *French King's* Honour in proclaiming the pretended Prince of *Wales*: And Mr. *Hales* said, He charged Mr. *Tongue* with it: And Mr. *Tongue* told him, He had it from Mr. *Palmer* of *Leicestershire*: But Mr. *Hales* said, He could not say, that Mr. *Tongue* endeavoured . . . . . Votes for Mr. *Neale*.

Mr. *John Bennet* said, That Alderman *Snell* asked him for his Vote for Mr. *Hopkins* and Mr. *Neale*: And that Alderman *Snell* said, He was glad the last Parliament was dissolved; for otherwise we should have been brought under the *French Power*, and of the Prince of *Wales*; and that in a little time the Black List would come out.

*John Ward* said, That the Night before the Election of Knights of the Shire for the County of *Warwick*, *Adrian Owen* came to *Warwick*, and sent for him to the *Three Tuns*, and asked him why he would be for Sir *Chr. Hales*; and if he had not seen the Black List; and bid one *Fox* to pull it out of his Pocket: Which *Fox* did, and read it to him: He said, He did not pay for what he had at that time: That they looked upon Sir *Chr.* as

disaffected: *Ward* said, He polled for Sir *Chr. Hales*, and Mr. *Hopkins*.

*Sam. Bryan* said, That *Josiah Allen* told him, a little before the Election, That he had been writing Black Lists; and Alderman *Owen* promised to pay him: But the said *Bryan* acknowledged, He did not see any Lists.

*Rich. Clexer* said, That Mr. *Oadham*, Alderman *Diston*, *Clements*, and *Stephen Smith*, came to their House with Black Lists; and he heard Sir *Chr. Hales* named: But his Landlord said, He would not read it over, because it was Lyes.

*John Gouge* said, That he heard Alderman *Snell* say, That they would poll their Men twice or thrice, but they would have it: That Alderman *Snell* endeavoured to gain Votes for Mr. *Hopkins* and Mr. *Neale*.

*Tho. Smith* said, That Alderman *Owen* told him, If he would not give them both their Votes, there would be no Occasion for a Licence for his House.

*Abraham Newcomb* said, He was in *Joseph Bishop's* House; And Alderman *Carter* spoke to *Bishop's* Wife, for her Husband's Vote, her Husband not being at Home: And, the Woman answering, her Husband had promised One Vote, Alderman *Carter* said, What will you do, if I take away your Licence? Look to it.

*Tho. Wright* said, That one *John Parker* had promised his Vote for Sir *Chr. Hales*; and, before the Election, he went to him; But he said, He could not be as good as his Word; for he had given a Bond of 40 l. touching his selling of Drink; and Mr. *Owen* and Mr. *Snell* declared, If he did not vote for Mr. *Hopkins* and Mr. *Neale*, they would sue the Bond.

*William Betson* said, He polled for Sir *Chr. Hales*, and Mr. *Hopkins*: And, coming from the Poll, Alderman *John Snell* told him, He lived by the Church and Steeple; and was a busy Rascal; and he would turn him out.

*Tho. Thompson* said, That he was Tenant to the City: And the City Bailiff desired his Vote for Mr. *Neal* and Mr. *Hopkins*; and threatened, if he did not, he should be turned out.

*John Wedgworth* said, That he was Tenant, to the City, of a House: And Mr. *Cooke* the Bailiff told him, His Landlords desired his Vote for Mr. *Neale*: And the said *Wedgworth* telling the said *Cooke*, That he had disposed of his Vote; the Bailiff said to him, Do what you will, but you may chance to be turned out of your House: *John Wedgworth* said, He voted for Sir *Chr. Hales*, and Mr. *Hopkins*; and afterwards went to Alderman *Diston*, to sign his Bill for publick Work done by him; and he bid him go to Sir *Chr. Hales*.

*Catesby Oadham* said, There is a Gift of Thirty Shillings apiece to several poor Men, in the Disposition of the Aldermen; and the Disposition of this Charity was put off till after the Election.

*Edw. Bosworth* and *Tho. Creaner* said, That Alderman *William Snell*, and his Maid, went, with Two poor Men, about the Town; and gave Bread, in a partial manner, to those that polled for Mr. *Neale* and Mr. *Hopkins*.

*John Judd* and *Anne Judd* said, That Alderman *Owen* and Alderman *Snell* asked him for his Vote: And, he said, He had promised Sir *Chr. Hales*: And, thereupon, the said *John Judd* having been promised some Loan-money, but could not find Security, one *Moor* offered to take the Money and find Security, and allow *Judd* 4 l. if he would vote for Mr. *Hopkins*.

*Samuel Worster* said, That he had promised Sir *Christopher Hales* his Vote: And that *Henry Waring* gave him Five Shillings to vote for Mr. *Neale* and Mr. *Hopkins*: And he said, He and some others were treated by Mr. *Edward Owen* and Mr. *Richard Barnes*, on account of his voting for Mr. *Neale* and Mr. *Hopkins*; but he could not say it was by their Order: And that one *Robert Slim* acknowledged, He had received 20 s. of Alderman *Owen*, after the Election was over; and had a Promise of 20 l. more.

*Rich. Hall* said, That *Joseph Dyke* voted for Mr. *Neal* and Mr. *Hopkins*; and said, He durst not do otherwise, because he owed Mr. *Diston* Money: And *Dyke* said, Afterwards he received 5 s.

*Henry Marler* said, That Alderman *Owen* told him, If he would vote for Mr. *Neal* and Mr. *Hopkins*, he would give him some Money at *Christmas*: That he voted for Sir *Chr. Hales* and Mr. *Gery*, and had no Money; but Alderman *Owen* said, He would stick on his Skirts.

*Jos. West* said, He was treated, with others at the Gaol, at the time of the Election: That he voted for Mr. *Neal*, on account of 30 s. promised him; but he acknowledged it was not paid him, because, as he was told, he was not for Mr. *Neal* in his Heart.

*Edward Lister* said, His Brother was in some Trouble about some Money his Brother owed: And Mr. *Snell* said, If he would vote for Mr. *Neal* and Mr. *Hopkins*, his Brother should have his Liberty; and, if any Trouble came of it, he would pay the Debt: That his Brother was arrested, and made his Escape.

*John Ward* and *Tho. Ward* concurred with the Evidence of *Edward Lister*; and said, That *Lister* and his Son polled for Mr. *Neal* and Mr. *Hopkins*: And that *Snell* told *Thomas Ward*, His Business was done: And the Bailiff afterwards said, He had nothing against him.

*John Barton* said, That he was a Servant to Alderman *Cater's* Son, and looked to his Horse; and did design to vote for Sir *Chr. Hales*: But Alderman *Cater*, and his Wife, said, If he did not vote for Mr. *Neale* and Mr. *Hopkins*, he should turn out: And that they gave him 2 s. at *Christmas*.

*Eleanor Ellen* said, That her Husband received a Letter to this Effect; That he had a fair Opportunity to come down to the Poll, to get Money to pay his Debts: And that he came down; and, after the Election, received 20 s.

*William Brooks* said, He designed to be for Sir *Chr. Hales* and Mr. *Gery*: And had 5 s. given him, by *Waring* of *Brommingham*, not to come and poll; but, in fact, he polled for Sir *Chr. Hales* and Mr. *Gery*.

*Ben. Welton* said, That *Thomas Peak* voted for Sir *Chr. Hales* and Mr. *Gery*; and was put down for Sir *Chr. Hales* and Mr. *Neale*: And that, an Objection being made to one *Packwood*, Mr. *Edw. Owen* said, They would poll him, right or wrong: They had a Thousand Pounds of their Side:

And that, on *Friday*, the last Day of the Election, the Bar was full of Mr. *Neal* and Mr. *Hopkins's* Men; and they desired to examine them: But Sheriff *Owen* said, He knew them, and would poll them at his Peril: And Mr. *Edward Owen* told Mr. *Gery*, at the time of the Poll, He was a pitiful little Fellow.

*Nathanael Knight* gave the like Evidence as to Polling of *Packwood*.

*Wm. Denham* and *Hen. Warner* said, That Sheriff *Owen* fetched in one *Thomas Keeling*, a Stranger, by the Hand, to poll.

*Richard Hull* said, That Mr. *Hopkins*, and the Under Sheriff, came to them, and desired his Vote: That he, the said *Hull*, told him, he had no Vote: And this time Mr. *Hopkins* gave him Six-pence, and bid him be true to him; and said, He would be a further Friend to him: And that he went to the Bar, and came back without polling: And Mr. *Hopkins* came to him, and said, He had spoke to the Sheriff, not to deny his Poll; and then he went and polled for Sir *Christopher Hales* and Mr. *Gery*.

*Sam. Walker* said, Sheriff *Owen* gave him a Slap on the Face, because, as he said, he spoke to one that was giving his Poll.

Mr. *Wright* said, That he was Inspector of the Poll for Sir *Chr. Hales* and Mr. *Gery*: And Sheriff *Collins* bid a Man pull him back: And one *Launder* struck him over the Breast, as he was getting over the Bar into his Place.

*James Lunn* said, That the Under Sheriff *Owen* said,

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If Sir *Christopher Hales* had it, it should be the dearest Thing he had in his Life: And said, he would not make an Interest for Sir *Chr. Hales*, or any Man that should vote with the Rogue *Seymour*.

Mr. *Edward Hales* was called, as to the casting up the Poll, and the demanding of a Scrutiny: Who gave an Account, That the Poll was closed on *Friday*: That, on *Saturday* Morning, the Books were cast up, and the Majority fell on Sir *Chr. Hales*: That, a Scrutiny being demanded on behalf of Mr. *Neale*, it began on *Monday*, and was carried on several Days. Mr. *Hales* said, That he had attended on behalf of his Brother, but not by any Order from him: That, afterwards, Sir *Chr. Hales* appeared, and would have begun their Scrutiny again; saying, He was not bound by what his Brother did; which was refused him: And then the Sheriff declared the Majority of qualified Voices to be for Mr. *Neale*: However, in regard of the Shortness of Time, he said, He would make a double Return.

That the Counsel for Mr. *Neale* insisted, That they would justify most of their Votes excepted to; and that the same Persons were excepted to on several Heads: That they would disqualify many that voted for Sir *Chr. Hales*; and prove ill Practices by him, or his Agents.

And accordingly they offered to justify, and gave Evidence to prove, the Freedom of about Sixty-three Persons of the One hundred and Ten endeavoured to be disqualified as no Freemen.

That the Counsel for Mr. *Neal* allowed all the Hospitalmen disqualified by Sir *Chr. Hales's* Counsel, because, they said, they should disqualify as many of their Votes:

That they also allowed all disqualified on the Account of Charity, except what was received after the Election was over; which was *Wheatley's* Charity, and *Jesson's*:

But they insisted, That several Persons, to the Number of about Twenty-one, were disqualified on several Heads; which made the Numbers seem more than really they were: And Mr. *Carter* gave in a List of their Names.

The next Thing Mr. *Neal's* Counsel proceeded to, was, to justify some Persons, which, by the Evidence, had been charged with ill Practices: And, as to what had been charged upon Alderman *Carter*, by *Barton*, they called,

Mr. *Jos. Carter*, Son to the Alderman: Who said, That *Barton* looked after his Horse; and he desired him to give his Vote for Mr. *Hopkins* and Mr. *Neale*; and he voluntarily did it; and, after he had so voted, the Parish Officers refused to pay his House-rent or Taxes: That the 2 s. his Father gave *Barton*, was Charity-money; and he gave him the same the Year before, when he voted otherwise.

And that *Bishop* kept a disorderly House, and himself had a Clerk debauched there.

*Robert Slim* said, That *Samuel Worster* told him, That Mr. *Edward Hales* laid him down 20 s. to say, That *Barber* the Apothecary gave him 5 s. to vote for Mr. *Neal* and Mr. *Hopkins*.

Alderman *Owen* was called to the Reputation of *Slim*: Who said, He never heard any thing to the contrary, but *Slim* was an honest Man.

*Rich. Newcombe* said, That *Worster* took his Horse out of the Field, and rode him Four or Five Days; and, being charged with it, he swore, He never touched him: And afterwards, it being proved upon him, he owned it; and said, He would make Satisfaction: And that he was going away from the Town, having carded away what he had.

*James Bird* also gave an Account of the said *Worster*, That he was a loose Liver; and another Man's Watch was found about him, and afterwards the Watch was restored: But this he rather spoke from the general Rumour of the Town, than his own Knowledge.

Mr. *Withers* said, That *Worster* was a broken Fellow of no Credit, and is going to Sea.

As to the Evidence given of refusing *Jephcott's* Two Sons;

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Alderman *Owen* said, That, as to One, viz. *John Jephcott*, he served his Time in *London*, though Apprentice to his Father:

And, as to his Son *Richard*, he was Apprentice to an Ironmonger; but ran away, and never served his Time any-where.

Mr. *Edw. Owen* said, That *Matthew Neale* was sent, by his Father, to *London*, and was bound to an Apothecary there.

*John Pickering* said, That *John Ithell* never pretended to be free, or was ever bound; but was admitted a Love Brother: And Mr. *Joseph Cater* said, That the Indentures produced at the Poll proved to be false ones.

*William Craner* said, That *John* and *Thomas Heathcoat* neither of them served in *Coventry*.

That then the Counsel for Mr. *Neal* proceeded to except to, and give Evidence against, several Persons who voted for Sir *Chr. Hales*; viz. to Eighty-four Persons, as not being free.

That they also excepted to, and gave Evidence against, Eight Persons, as having received Loan-money within Twelve Months before the Election.

That they also excepted to, and gave Evidence against, Twelve, as receiving City Charities.

They also excepted to, and gave Evidence against, *Thomas Grascomb*; for that the Corporation had given his Son, in August last, an Exhibition of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* as a poor Scholar.

That they also excepted to, and gave Evidence against, Two Persons, as having Loan-money at 4*d.* per Pound.

That Mr. *Neal*'s Counsel also would have excepted to, and given Evidence against, some others who received Charity, and polled for Sir *Christopher Hales*, particularly on the Head of receiving Parish Alms: But there having been Two Orders, made by the Committee, one of the One-and-twentieth of January, upon the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council-men; the other of the Two-and-twentieth of January, upon Mr. *Carter* and Mr. *Owen*, Clerks of the Council-house; for delivering an Account of what Charity has been disposed by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council House-Men; and they having not given to Sir *Christopher Hales*' Agent an Account of those Charities they offered to give Evidence of; the Committee did not think fit to hear, or admit, of any Exceptions to be made to Sir *Christ. Hales*' Voters, on Account of those Charities.

That they also gave Evidence of Two Persons that polled for Mr. *Neale*, and were put down for Sir *Christ. Hales*; and of one other that polled for Mr. *Neal*, and was not entered in the Poll.

That the next Thing the Counsel for Mr. *Neal* proceeded on, was, the Disorders at the Election, notwithstanding the Endeavours of the Magistrates to the contrary; and Treating, and ill Practices.

Mr. *Jer. Withers* said, That the Magistrates sent him with a Letter to the Candidates, to come and consult Matters with them; but they did not think fit to meet the Magistrates, only went to the Mayor and Sheriffs: That the Magistrates, in order to prevent Disorders, caused the Crier to make Proclamation, That none should come to the Election, who had not Business; the Two last Elections, when Sir *Chr.* stood, several having been bound over for beating the Sheriffs, and other Magistrates: That he himself had Notice from a great Friend of Sir *Chr. Hales*, Mr. *Horatio Hopkins*, That, if he appeared, he should be beaten; and he had not Courage to be present: He said, That there was Proclamation by the Magistrates, That Mr. *Neal* and Mr. *Hopkins* stood, it being reported they had desisted.

Mr. *Neal*'s Counsel also called,

*Rich. Benion*, *William Wareing*, *Barnabas Mussle*, and *John Jones*: The Substance of whose Evidence was, That Sir *Chr. Hales*' Men met together about Two a Clock in the Morning; and Sir *Chr. Hales* and Mr. *Gery* met them about Six a Clock in the Morning: That Mr. *Neal*'s and Mr. *Hopkins*' People met about Eight a Clock in the Morning: That Sir *Chr. Hales*' Men being about Six hun-

dred, and Mr. *Hopkins*' and Mr. *Neal*'s Men being about Two hundred, meeting in a Street, Sir *Chr. Hales*' Men were partly passed by on the other Side of the Way; and Sir *Christopher Hales* called them back again; and they fell on Mr. *Neal*'s Men; and some of Mr. *Neal*'s Men were wounded: And *Mary Ellen* said, She saw Sir *Chr.* call his Men back in *Gosfort-Street*; and said, Stand, to them; and they fell on Mr. *Neal*'s Men: And she asked Sir *Chr.* If he would have Murder; and he said, No: She replied, Then he would not let the Men fight so.

They also called *John Pickerell*, *Chr. Lander*, *John Roads*, *John Johnson*, Alderman *Owen*:

The Substance of whose Evidence was, That Sir *Chr. Hales*' Men, in very great Numbers, did, at the Time of the Poll, take Possession of the Hall, and were very unruly; and that there being a Door into the Hall from the Gaol Yard, for the better avoiding the Crowd in the Hall, Sir *Chr. Hales*' Men every Day nailed it up: That Sir *Chr. Hales*' Men appeared with Staves, and threatened several that were for Mr. *Neale*; particularly Mr. *Pickerell*, that was an Inspector for Mr. *Neale*, and drove away the Constables out of the Hall; and one *Burton* took up his Stick, and threatened a Man, that named Mr. *Neale*, to knock out his Brains: That, by reason of Threatenings, and the Disorders that were at this Election, and what had passed at the former Election, several declared, They durst not go to be polled; and, particularly, Alderman *Owen* said, He himself durst not go into the Hall; having been abused the last Election, and threatened again at this.

*Ri. Clements* said, That Major *Beak* coming in at the Door in the Gaol Yard, and, being an ancient Man, going into the Gallery to poll, to avoid the Crowd, they threw Stones and Turneps at him.

*Ben. Hobson* said, That Mr. *Edw. Hales* desired his Men not to be cast down, upon the Account of Irregularities; for Mr. *Gery* would stand by them as far as 500*l.*; and that one *Chr. Price* had promised Mr. *Neal* and Mr. *Gery* his Vote; and afterwards told him, He must give Sir *Chr. Hales* a Vote, or else the Lord *Leigh* would turn him out of his Living; and that the Lord *Leigh* appeared, at the Time of the Election, at the Cross; and was also in the Hall on *Thursday*; but the Witness could not say, That his Lordship did say any thing to the Electors.

*Henry Cockram* said, That, the Third Day of the Poll, there was a great Tumult; and the Sheriffs commanded his Assistance; but the People shoved him down.

*Luke Barnes* said, That *Oadham* was an Inspector of the Poll for Sir *Chr.* and endeavoured to get Votes for him; and that, there being a Dispute about polling one Man, the said *Oadham* went out, and brought 300 Men with him; and said, He would have Justice.

That the next Head Mr. *Neal*'s Counsel applied themselves to, was that of Treating, and ill Practices.

*John Jones* said, That, the last Day of the Poll, he met *John Cliffe*, a Tapster, who offered him a Crown, and threw down Two Half-crowns, either not to poll, or to poll for Sir *Chr. Hales*; and, after Dinner, on the same Terms offered him 10*s.* *Jones* said, He polled for Mr. *Hopkins* and Mr. *Neal*.

*Robert Slim* said, That he met *James Ward* at the Cross; and he offered to carry him to drink at Sir *Chr. Hales*' Cost; and accordingly he went with Two or Three; and the Reckoning came to 2*s.* or 3*s.*; and *Ward* told him, There was nothing to pay; it should go on Sir *Chr. Hales*' Account; and that Dr. *Elliot* and Alderman *Palmer* came to him Two Days before the Election; and the Doctor told him, If he would give Alderman *Palmer*, who polled for Sir *Christ. Hales* and Mr. *Gery*, a Vote, the Alderman should give him 40*s.*; and the Alderman said, So he would.

*John Noble* said, That Mr. *Whadcock*, an Attorney, offered him 6*s.* 8*d.* to vote for Sir *Chr. Hales* and Mr. *Gery*; and Mr. *Wright*, a Mercer, told him, If he did not vote for them, he should turn out of his House: *Wright* had the Letting of the House; and had given him Warning to go out.

Barbara

*Barbara Chaplain* said, That *Mr. Horatio Hopkins* asked *John Fern*, as he was going to poll for *Mr. Neale* and *Hopkins*, to poll for *Sir Chr. Hales*; and *Fern* said, He had promised his vote; and One standing by said, *Fern* owed his Master 8 s.; and *Fern* thereupon said, About 20 s. Well, said *Mr. Horatio Hopkins*, come along with me, and I will give you the Money, *Chaplin* said, *Ferne* afterwards shewed her Money; which, he said, was to satisfy his Master; but how much it was, she could not tell; and that *Fern* polled for *Sir Chr. Hales*.

*Jacob Copson* said, He, and some others, drank at *Salter's* and *Merrick's*, and *Ithell's*; and some paid a small Matter; others nothing: That he intended to have voted for *Mr. Hopkins*, because he owed Money to *Alderman Owen* upon Bond; but *Salter* told him, If the Bond was sued, they would collect Money to get him off. He said, He voted for *Sir Chr.*; and the Bond was not sued.

*Tho. Smith* said, He was told by several, If he did not vote for *Sir Chr. Hales* and *Mr. Gery*, he should lose their Work; and has since lost it: He is a Farrier.

*Sir Chr. Hales's* Counsel alledged, That they could justify most of their Voters; but, they thought, there was no Occasion to trouble the Committee with it.

That the Hearing of this Cause having taken up Seven Nights; and the Evidence, relating to the Disqualifying and Justifying of Freemen, being very particular; it is conceived more proper to refer to the Minutes taken at the Committee, than to transcribe the same, and fill up the Journals with a long Report; which, after the Determination of the Election, can be of no Use.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to this Resolution.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of the Committee, That *Sir Christopher Hales* Baronet, is duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Coventry*.

The first Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Freemen of *Coventry* receiving Alms, or Charity, have no Right to vote in the Election of Citizens to serve in Parliament for the City of *Coventry*.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Sir Christopher Hales* Baronet is duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Coventry*.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the Crown do attend this House To-morrow Morning, to amend the Return for the City of *Coventry*, by taking off the Return, by which *Henry Neal* Esquire is returned a Citizen to serve for the said City.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the House do now adjourn;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Sir Walter Yonge,* } 142.  
                                  { *Mr. Pershall:* }

Tellers for the Noes, { *Sir Cha. Barrington,* } 181.  
                                  { *Mr. Freeman:* }

So it passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That *Mr. Abraham Owen*, One of the Sheriffs of the City of *Coventry*, is guilty of a false and double Return, and of divers indirect Practices, in the late Election for the City of *Coventry*.

*Resolved*, That *Mr. John Collins*, the other Sheriff of the City of *Coventry*, is guilty of a false and double Return, and of divers indirect Practices, in the late Election for the City of *Coventry*.

*Ordered*, That the said *Mr. Abraham Owen* be, for his said Offences, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

*Ordered*, That the said *Mr. John Collins* be, for his said Offences, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

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*Resolved*, That *Mr. Edward Owen*, Under Sheriff of the City of *Coventry*, is guilty of divers illegal and partial Proceedings, in order to obtain an Election of a Citizen for the City of *Coventry*.

*Ordered*, That the said *Mr. Edward Owen* be, for his said Offences, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 25° die Februarii;*

Anno 14° Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A BILL for the Settlement of some Lands and Hereditaments of *Sir Tho. Stanley* Baronet, for his Family's Benefit; and to enable him, in lieu thereof, to charge his Estate for Payment of his Debts; was read the First time. Stanley's Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of *William Yarnold* Gentleman, on behalf of himself, and others, the Proprietors and Undertakers concerned in supplying the Town of *Newcastle upon Tyne* with fresh Water, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in pursuance of an Act of Parliament, made in the Tenth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for the better supplying the Town of *Newcastle upon Tyne* with fresh Water; and by a Lease made by the Mayor and Burgesses, as expressed in the said Act; the Petitioner has, at great Expence, brought sufficient fresh Water to serve the said Town, from a Place called *The Zeme*, in the County of *Durham*, about Four Miles from *Newcastle*; and the High Sheriff of *Durham* hath held Three several Inquisitions to inquire what Damages the Owners of the Lands, through which the said Water is conveyed, have sustained thereby, as the said Act directs; which Damages the Petitioner hath fully paid and satisfied: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to confirm the said several Inquisitions and Lease, for the better bringing and continuing of the Water to the said Town, and ascertaining a due Satisfaction to the Owners of the Lands, through which the Water runs, for what Damages they may sustain, for the future, by that or any other Watercourse brought by the Petitioner to the said Town; and for the better Continuance and constant supplying the same with fresh Water. Newcastle upon Tyne Waterworks.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that *Mr. Carr* and *Mr. Lambton* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Petition of the Officers and Clothiers of the Army, and Proprietors of the Debt of the several Transport Services, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That great Part of the Petitioners Debts consist of small Sums; which renders it impossible for them to make separate Purchases of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, wherein the said Effects are made payable in the Purchases; so that the Petitioners will be forced to sell, to the moneyed Men, at intolerable Discounts, unless permitted to purchase in a joint Stock: That, last Year, the Petitioners obtained a Subscription for purchasing the said Forfeitures, of near 500,000 *l.* and had Leave to bring in a Bill pursuant thereto; and now doubt not but to get Subscriptions for purchasing the Whole of those Estates, at reasonable Rates: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for taking Subscriptions for purchasing the Whole of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, on such Terms as may be agreeable with the Wisdom and Justice of the House. Irish Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the Fact to the House:

And



And it is referred to Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Mitford*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *William Hustler*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Mr. *Byrch*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Jenkins*, Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Mr. *Winington*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Colonel *Kendall*, Sir *Ger. Elwes*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Coatsworth*, Mr. *Pitt*, Sir *Ch. Hedges*, Colonel *Lee*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Colchester*, Lord *Chenier*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Curson*, Mr. *Cholmley*, Sir *John Holland*, Mr. *Roberts*, Sir *Fra. Windham*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *John Bolles*, Sir *Fra. Blake*, Sir *Jeffry Jeffries*, Mr. *Andrews*, Mr. *Brereton*, Serjeant *Whitaker*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Pelham*, Mr. *Carr*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Paice*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Burridge*, Mr. *Pagit*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Jamaica  
Government.

A Petition of *Hugh Totterdell*, of the Island of *Jamaica*, Gentleman, in behalf of himself, and others the Traders and Planters of the said Island, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Assembly of the said Island, which represents the Body of the Commons there, and consists of Thirty-five Persons, of which the Petitioner was One, being convened in June last, did enter into the Consideration of some Hardships put upon them in point of Trade, and Misapplication of the publick Money of the said Island, by the then Governor, Sir *William Beeston*, and Council of that Island, endeavouring to redress those Grievances; but, instead of Encouragement, they met with Threats and hard Words from the Governor: And the Assembly finding no Likelihood of Redress, they passed a Vote to apply themselves to this House for Relief; which the Governor so resented, that he immediately prorogued them; and, soon after, dissolved them by Proclamation; setting forth that Vote as One of the Reasons for the Dissolution: That, upon the said Prorogation, the Speaker, and Majority of the Assembly, drew up an Address to this House; setting forth Part of their Hardships, by Violation of the Laws, the Discouragement of their Trade, and Misapplication of the publick Money: Which Address they ordered the Petitioner to present to the House; a Copy whereof is annexed to the Petition; And praying the House to take the Grievances of the said Island into Consideration, and relieve them therein.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *William Freeman* Esquire is referred; And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the Fact to the House.

Barbadoes  
Government.

A Petition of *Thomas Hodges* Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner, and many others, being very much oppressed by the Mal-administration of Justice in *Barbadoes*, under the Government of the Lord *Grey*, did, in December 1700, complain to his Majesty in Council thereof; who referred the Examination thereof to the Commissioners of Trade; with Direction, That they should report to his Majesty what they conceived fit to be done therein: That the Petitioner hath attended the said Commissioners for about a Twelvemonth; hath proved the Truth of his Complaint, and shewn the Mal-administration of Justice; and hoped they would have made such a Report to his Majesty, as the Petitioner might have had some effectual Relief thereby; but they have lately made such a Report, as covers the Truth from his Majesty, and has effectually hindered the Petitioner from any Relief: That the Petitioner is ready to prove the several Articles annexed to the Petition, which do contain several Heads of the said Complaint: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

And the said Mr. *Hodges* was called in, to the Bar, to own the said Petition: And he owned the same accordingly; and declared, he was ready to make good the same.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition

be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Henry Colt*, Mr. *Paget*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Richards*, Sir *Henry Lyddall*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Gulston*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *Monckton*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Lord *Pawlet*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Jeffries*, Mr. *Aylmer*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Carter*, Lord *Merdant*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Dyot*, Sir *Fra. Windham*, Sir *Ch. Hedges*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Sir *Fra. Mussam*, Sir *Jacob Banks*, Mr. *Fitch*, Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Mr. *Anderton*, Colonel *Wharton*, Mr. *Carr*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Byerley*, Mr. *Herne*, Lord *Spencer*, Sir *Francis Blake*, Mr. *Goreing*, Major *Halsey*, Mr. *Nevill*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Arthington*, Mr. *Topham*, Sir *Tho. Littleton*, Sir *Edw. Turner*; and all that are Merchants: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for granting to his Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned. Supply Bill; Subsidies and Land Tax.

Ordered, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Ordered, That the ingrossed Bill for reviving an Act, intituled, An Act for exempting Apothecaries from serving the Offices of Constable, Scavenger, and other Parish Offices; and from serving upon Juries; be read the Third time upon Friday Morning next. Apothecaries exempt from Parish Offices.

The Orders of the Day being read; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom. Pub'k Accounts.

Ordered, That the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the King's Bench and Fleet be read a Second time upon Friday Morning next. King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.

The Clerk of the Crown attended; and, according to Order, amended the Return for the City of *Coventry*. Coventry Return amended.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Goodenough* and *John Woodman*, of *Malmsbury*, attended, according to Order; Persons examined.

They were severally called in, to the Bar; and examined.

And then withdrew.

Ordered, That the said Mr. *Goodenough* and *John Woodman* be discharged of further Attendance.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Master, Wardens, and Assistants, of the Company of Distillers of *London*, on behalf of themselves, and others, was referred, be made upon Friday Morning next. Unwholesome Brandies.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to examine into the Execution of the Act for vesting the forfeited Estates in *Ireland* in Trustees: Irish Forfeitures.

And the Trustees in Town, Mr. *Annesley* and Mr. *Hooper*, were called in; and examined: And they presented to the House a Memorial:

Which was read; and is as followeth; viz.

To the Honourable the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, in Parliament assembled;

The humble Memorial of *Francis Annesley* and *James Hooper*, Two of the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

THAT the Trustees have used their Endeavours to improve your Estates, vested in them, to the best Rent that could be got for the same: In order whereunto, they appointed



appointed Receivers and Surveyors, who have, upon Oath, viewed the same; and made their Returns of the real Values of the said Estates, if to be lett for a Term of Years, amount-

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ing to	137,496	5	0½

Whereas the present Rent of the Year 1701, is no more than 105,372 15 7½  
 Their Computations proceeding from the Values of other Persons Lands; of equal Value, contiguous to those forfeited: But the Reasons they give the Trustees, why the forfeited Estates do not yield as much as the Estates of such private Persons, are,

1st, That several of the said Estates are in Lease for Terms of Years yet to come, which are allowed by the Trustees, and cannot yet be raised.

2dly, That several Gentlemen are now in Possession of a considerable Part of the said Estates, and will pay what they please; and nobody will take them over their Heads at a greater Rent, because they are sure to incur their Displeasure, for the Prospect of small Gain, which is to continue but for One Year; the Trustees not having thought fit, without your Honours Directions, to set them for a longer Time.

3dly, Because no Tenant is able to improve Lands, which he holds for One Year only, to that Advantage as he would do, if he might enjoy them for a certain Term of Years.

4. That the Number of Acres appear, upon the Survey, to be considerably more than the old Proprietors knew them to be, or are returned to be in the Civil Downe, or Stafford Survey.

5. That the most unprofitable Lands, returned by those Surveys, are since improved, and made most profitable.

For which Reasons, the Trustees are humbly of Opinion, That, if your Honours would approve of their setting such of the said Estates, as are now out of Lease, to the best Advantage, for a certain Term of Years, all those Inconveniences would be obviated; the Rents raised equal in Value to their adjacent Lands; whereby the annual Income of your Honours Estates would be greatly improved; and the Persons intending to be Purchasers, who are already alarmed with the false Suggestions of the Trustees taking Advantage of the Tenants in Possession, who could not easily remove their Stock, to rack them to an Overvalue, would more chearfully buy the same, and very considerably advance their Price for them, and induce Strangers, who can have no Knowledge of their Values but from their yearly Rent, to become Purchasers.

The Trustees thought it their Duty, and accordingly directed us, humbly to present this Matter to your Honours, for your immediate Directions therein; because, if not set before May next, the Year will be at an End; and it will take some time to give public Notice of such a Resolution.

*Fra. Annesley,  
James Hooper.*

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in Ireland do lay before this House an Account of the Claims made by the Irish Papists; and do distinguish how many have been allowed by them, of Estates whereof the Papists were not in Possession before the Act of Resumption, or decreed or adjudged to them by any Court of Law or Equity in Ireland.

*Resolved*, That, notwithstanding the Complaints and Clamours against the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in Ireland, with relation to the Execution of the said Trust, it does not appear to this House, but that those Complaints are groundless.

*Resolved*, That the said Memorial be taken into Consideration upon Saturday Morning next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in Ireland.

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And the Two Trustees were called in: And, The Petition of *Edward Singleton* Esquire, was read; Irish Forfeitures.  
 and also the Report of the Trustees thereupon:

And the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. *Singleton*; in continuing him in Possession of his Estate, under the Fee-farm Rent payable out of the same,

The said Trustees were called in: And,

The Petition of *William Fowndes* Esquire, on behalf of himself, and other Purchasers, under the Grants of *Thomas Keightly* Esquire, was read; and also the Trustees Report thereupon;

And the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be postponed, until the Petition of *Thomas Keightly* Esquire shall be considered.

The said Trustees were called in again;

The Petition of *Arthur French*, and *James Farrell* his Son-in-law, was read; and also the Trustees Report thereupon:

And the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. *French*, in relation to the personal Estate of *Irriell Farrell* only.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Mr. *Farrell* have Relief upon his Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

The said Trustees were again called in: And,

The Petition of Captain *Thomas Bellew* was read; and also the Report of the Trustees thereupon:

And the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of Captain *Bellew*, according to the Prayer of his Petition.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Provision be made, in the Bill, for obliging the Earl of *Romney* to repay to the Trustees Two-thirds of the Purchase Money paid by the said Captain *Bellew* to the said Earl;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Mr. Bridges,	} 69.
	{ Mr. St. John:	

Tellers for the Noes,	{ Sir Rich. Sandford,	} 82.
	{ Mr. Walpole:	

So it passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Saturday Morning next, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in Ireland; and the Reports thereupon: And that the Trustees in Town do then attend.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Jovis, 26<sup>o</sup> die Februarii;

Anno 14<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A BILL for vesting the Estate of *William Mathews* Mathews' Gentleman, and *Catharine* his Wife, in Trustees, Estate, to be sold for the Purposes therein mentioned, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to withdraw the Petition of *Simon Mayne* Esquire; and also the Petition of *Aylesbury Election.*

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Rich.

*Rich. Cockman*, and others, Inhabitants of the Borough of *Aylesbury*, in the County of *Bucks*, relating to the Election for the said Borough of *Aylesbury*.

Borough of *Malmsbury*, in the County of *Wilts*, be re-delivered by the Clerk, in order to be made use of upon the Prosecution directed to be against Colonel *Parks*.

Gower's  
Estate.

Mr. *Gwyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for Sale of the Manor of *Attingham*, alias *Atcham*, in the County of *Salop*, settled in Jointure on *Ellen* the Wife of *William Gower* Esquire; and for settling a Farm, called *Selly Hall*, and a Moiety of the Manor of *St. John*, in *Bedwardin*, in the County of *Worcester*, of better Value, to the like Uses, in lieu thereof: And the same was received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Lowther's  
Estate.

Sir *Richard Sandford*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for vesting a Farm called *Coleby Leaths*, in the County of *Westmerland*, late the Estate of Dr. *Christopher Lowther*, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold for Discharge of the Debts thereupon; and for other Purposes therein mentioned: And the same was received.

Darwent  
Navigation.

Mr. *Palmer*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for making the River of *Darwent*, in the County of *York*, navigable: And the same was received.

Soame's  
Estate.

Sir *Samuel Barnardiston*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for Sale of Part of the Estate of *Stephen Soame* Gentleman, and *Dorothy* his Wife; and for applying the Monies raised thereby for the Payment of his Debts, and for the Portions of *Mary Soame* and *Wm. Soame*, Two of his younger Children: And the same was received.

Damasking  
Stuffs.

The Lord *Fairfax*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours into all Sorts of Stuffs and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same: And the same was received.

Half-pay  
Commissions.

A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will be graciously pleased to give Directions, That such Commissions, as shall be granted to Officers who were in Half-pay, may be made forth without any Fee or Charge;

And the previous Question being put, That that Question be now put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will be graciously pleased to give Directions, That such Commissions, as shall be granted to Officers in Half-pay, may be made forth without any Fee or Charge.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Cham  
Navigation.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for clearing and making the River *Cham*, alias *Grant*, more navigable for Barges, Boats, Lighters, and other Vessels, from *Clayhithe*, alias *Clayhive*, in the County of *Cambridge*, unto *The King's Mill*, in the University and Town of *Cambridge*: And the same was received.

Malmsbury  
Election.

Ordered, That the Money, and Bank Bill, which were delivered in to the House by Mr. *Adye*, upon the Hearing of the Matter touching the Election for the

Ordered, That the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations do lay before this House an Account of their Proceedings, with relation to the Complaints made to them of the Courts of Justice in the Plantations in the *West Indies*.

American  
Plantations.

A Bill for granting to his Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, was, according to Order, read the First time.

Supply Bill;  
Subsidies and  
Land Tax.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Monday Morning next.

A Complaint being made to the House, of a great Abuse committed in his Majesty's Brewhouse at *St. Catharine's*, by drawing off the First Worts; to the defrauding his Majesty, and Prejudice of the Seamen; and that one *Charles Hoar* was at the Door, who would give the House an Account thereof;

Abuses in  
Victualing  
Department.

He was called in; and, at the Bar, examined, touching the Matter of the said Complaint: And he delivered in a Copy of an Abstract of several Orders of the Board of Excise; and a Copy of a Report of One of the Officers belonging to them.

And then he withdrew.

And the said Copies were read; and are as follow:

The said Abstract of Orders received by *Edw. Deneston*.

Friday, July 18th, I acquainted the Board, That, pursuant to their Order, I had searched the King's Brewhouse; and what Quantity of Strong Beer I had found, appears in the next Paper.

Saturday the 26th, The Board ordered me to go with Captain *Belchinden* to the Commissioners of the Victualing Office, to acquaint them with the evil Practice, by the Service at his Majesty's said Brewhouse; which I did accordingly.

Tuesday the 29th, I acquainted the Board, That the Commissioners of the Victualing Office had desired me to attend them on Thursday following; for they designed to examine the Servants, relating to my Report. The Board directed me to acquaint the Commissioners of the Victualing, That it was their Opinion, That it was a Fraud upon the Revenue of Excise; and that they would examine the Offenders at their own Board; which was accordingly done.

I also acquainted Mr. *Hore*, That my Masters, the Commissioners of Excise, desired he would let me know where to find him, when they should have Occasion to send for him.

Tuesday, August the 5th, The Board ordered me to go to the Victualing Office, and get a List of the Servants Names belonging to the said Brewhouse; and ordered them to attend the Board of Excise on Friday following: Which they did; and were there examined, relating to the said Fraud.

Tuesday, August the 12th, I went, by Order of the Board, to inquire after some Persons that were suspected to have bought Beer from the said Brewhouse; but could find nothing appear as Fact.

The said Report.

18th July 1701. BY Order from the Board of Excise, I took some Officers to my Assistance, and searched the King's Brewhouse at *St. Catharine's*, and found Thirty-two Barrels of Strong Beer, which was denied by *Wm. Marshall* the Brewer, and the other Servants, in the several Places following; viz.

	Bar.	Firk.
In Mr. Wright's Storehouse	-	4 0
In Mr. King's Storehouse	-	6 0
In Mr. Harris' Cellar	-	2 1
Timinell's Storehouse	-	3 0
In Yardman's Storehouse	-	2 0
In Stoker's Storehouse	-	1 2
In the Iron Storehouse	-	2 2
In the Brewer's Hop-loft	-	2 0
In the Miller's Loft	-	1 0
Behind the Third Square	-	7 3
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All Strong Beer, and, in Quality, worth 18 or 20 s. per Barrel; 26 of them being new, and of one Guile.

Edw. Denneston.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to examine into the Matter of the said Complaint; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. Harley, Mr. Vernon, Mr. Snell, Mr. Dolben, Mr. Hysham, Mr. Winington, Mr. Lowndes, Mr. Scobell, Sir Godf. Copley, Mr. Foley, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Clayton, Sir John Parsons, Mr. Mitford, Mr. Byerly, Mr. Cooke, Mr. Gwyn, Sir Hen. Lyddall, Mr. Papillon, Mr. Paice, Mr. Rowney, Mr. Clark, Sir John Bolles, Mr. Colchester, Mr. Barrell, Mr. Yates, Mr. Moore, Sir Walt. Yonge, Sir Tho. Powis, Mr. Pershall, Mr. Owen, Mr. Carter, Sir Cha. Bloys, Sir R. Onslow, Sir John Holland, Sir Jos. Jekill, Mr. Hele, Mr. Poole, Lord Powlet, Mr. Chandler, Mr. Pagit, Mr. St. John, Mr. Sergison, Mr. Manly, Mr. Fagg, Mr. Bere, Sir Hen. Colt, Sir Wm. Phippard, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Hoblyn, Mr. St. Loe, Mr. Blisse, Mr. Marks, Mr. Bertie, Sir Wm. Scawen, Mr. Birch, Sir Fra. Massam, Sir Wm. Ashurst, Sir Rich. Sandford: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Ordered, That the said Copies be referred to the Consideration of the said Committee.

Ordered, That the said Committee do consider what Proceedings have been in the respective Offices, touching the Matter of the said Complaint; and report the same to the House.

Rights and Privileges of the House.

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Rights, Liberties, and Privileges, of the House of Commons, being read;

Ordered, That the Serjeant at Arms do go with the Mace into Westminster-hall, Court of Requests, and Places adjacent, and summon the Members there to attend the Service of the House immediately.

And he went accordingly.

And being returned;

The House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel Granville took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Colonel Granville reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Report be made upon Saturday Morning next;

The House divided.

The Yeas went forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Ash, } 62.  
                                  { Mr. Weld: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Pershall, } 102.  
                                  { Mr. Walpole: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Report be made immediately.

Colonel Granville reported, from the said Committee, the said Resolutions; which he read in his Place; and

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afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

1. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That to assert, That the House of Commons is not the only Representatives of the Commons of England, tends to the Subversion of the Rights and Privileges of the House of Commons, and the fundamental Constitution of the Government of this Kingdom.

2. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That to assert, the House of Commons have no Power of Commitment, but of their own Members, tends to the Subversion of the Constitution of the House of Commons.

3. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That to print, or publish, any Books or Libels, reflecting upon the Proceedings of the House of Commons, or any Member thereof, for, or relating to, his Service therein, in a high Violation of the Rights and Privileges of the House of Commons.

4. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That it is the undoubted Right of the People of England to petition or address to the King, for the Calling, Sitting, and Dissolving, of Parliaments; and for the Redressing of Grievances.

5. Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That it is the undoubted Right of every Subject of England, under any Accusation, either by Impeachment, or otherwise, to be brought to a speedy Tryal, in order to be acquitted, or condemned.

The First, Second, and Third, Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Fourth Resolution being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out the first Word "and;" and, instead thereof, inserting "or:"

And then the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Resolved, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, so amended, That it is the undoubted Right of the People of England to petition or address to the King, for the Calling, Sitting, or Dissolving, of Parliaments; and for the Redressing of Grievances.

The Fifth Resolution being read a Second Time;

The same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 27° die Februarii;

Anno 14° Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Master Clothworkers in and about the City of London, on behalf of themselves, and very many poor People employed under them in the Working and Dressing of rough Cloth, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, of late Years, there has been great Quantities of rough and undressed Woollen Cloths exported out of this Kingdom, to be dressed in foreign Parts; the which Practice, if not timely prevented, will be the Ruin of the Petitioners Trade: And praying, That a Duty may be laid upon all rough and undressed Cloth exported.

Woollen Manufactures.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture; and to consider of the best Methods for regulating and improving the same.

A Petition of the Owners and Proprietors of the several Collicries and Coal-mines upon the River Tyne, and adjacent Ports of Sunderland, Cullercoats, Seaton-Sluice, and Blyth, inhabiting within the several Counties of Durham, Northumberland, and Town and County of Newcastle upon Tyne, Salt Duties.

*Tyne*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That a Sixth Part of the Coals, got out of the Coal-mines, have been consumed by the Brine Salt-makers thereabouts; and *London* was supplied with the best of the Coals; But, the said Salt Trade decaying of late, the Petitioners have no Way to dispose of the smallest of their Coals; whereby the Poor are much injured: And praying, That the House will find out some Method for the Support and Encouragement of the said Salt Trade.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties is committed.

Salt Duties.

A Petition of the Makers of Salt and Brine, inhabiting in the Counties of *Durham* and *Northumberland*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Salt, made by the Petitioners, hath produced near a Third of the whole Revenue arising by that Duty in *England* and *Wales*; but their Trade is under a great Decay; and daily increases, from the large Allowances given to Refiners of Rock Salt, and the uncertain Measure of foreign Salt; to the Ruin of Thousands of poor People employed in the making of Brine Salt: And praying the House to take the Premises into Consideration.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties is committed.

Darwent Navigation.

A Bill for making the River *Darwent*, in the County of *York*, navigable, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Estates given to superstitious Uses.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses, to be applied for the Support of the Royal Hospital at *Greenwich*: And that Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, and Mr. *Dyott*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Lowther's Estate.

A Bill for vesting a Farm, called *Coleby-Leathes*, in the County of *Westmerland*, late the Estate of Doctor *Christopher Lowther*, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold, for Discharge of the Debts thereupon; and for other Purposes therein mentioned; was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Hoskins* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

Quaker's Affirmation.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill for continuing the Act, intituled, An Act that the solemn Affirmation and Declaration of the People called *Quakers* shall be accepted, instead of an Oath in the usual Form, without any Amendments. Also,

Warner's Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Warner Lee*, alias *Warner Warner*, to make a Jointure upon his Marriage: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Appreece's Estate.

A Bill to enable *Robert Appreece* the elder, and *Robert Appreece* the younger, to raise Money out of their Estate, for Payment of a Debt due to his Majesty, was read the Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Sir *Jos. Tredenhall*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Ekens*, Mr. *Will*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Hele*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Manly*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Stringer*, Mr. *Palmes*, Sir *John Wynn*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Pitfield*, Mr. *Newton*, Lord *Spencer*, Sir *Chr. Hales*, Mr. *Harris*, Colonel *Wharton*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Mr. *Brereton*, Lord *Chenic*, Sir *Joseph Jekyll*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Lorraine*, Mr. *Coke*, Sir *Rob. Marsham*, Mr. *Moore*, Mr. *Roberts*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Pagett*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Hunt-*

*ington*, *Northampton*, and *Lincoln*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Ordered, That the Bill for enabling Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Houses, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for the Payment of the Debts of *John Hinde*, late of *London*, Goldsmith, be read a Second time upon Monday Morning next.

Hinde's Estate.

Ordered, That the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; be taken into Consideration on Monday Morning next.

Security of King's Person and Succession.

Mr. *Moor*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Master, Wardens, and Assistants, of the Company of Distillers of *London*, on behalf of themselves, and others, was referred, That they had considered the Matter to them referred; and had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Unwholesome Brandies.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Master, Wardens, and Assistants, of the Distillers Company, have Power, from time to time, to inspect all Spirits, made of malted Corn, within the Limits of their Charter, to see that the same are made good and merchantable; and, otherwise, that the Offenders may be prosecuted for their Offence.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Running of *French Brandy* is a great Discouragement to the Distillers; and hinders the Consumption of *English Corn*.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Clause in the Act, made in the Twelfth and Thirteenth Years of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting to his Majesty several Duties upon low Wines, or Spirits of the First Extraction, &c. whereby it is enacted, That no Person shall sell Brandy, or other distilled Liquors, by Retail, but such as shall be thereunto licensed and allowed in the same manner as common Alehouse-keepers, under the Penalties and Forfeitures therein mentioned; is a great Hindrance to the Consumption of *English Brandies*.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the House be moved for Leave to bring in a Bill upon the said Resolutions.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *Moor*, Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, and Mr. *Carter*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Hoskins* and Mr. *Gery*:

Wightwick's Estate.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for settling and vesting divers Manors and Lands of *Francis Wightwick*, an Infant, lying in the County of *Stafford*, in Trustees, to enable them to settle and convey the same, upon the Marriage of the said *Francis Wightwick*, to such Uses, Intents, and Purposes, as shall be agreed upon: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

An ingrossed Bill for reviving an Act, intituled, An Act for exempting Apothecaries from serving the Offices of Constable, Scavenger, and other Parish and Ward Offices; and from serving upon Juries; was, according to Order, read the Third time.

Apothecaries exempt from Parish Offices.

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An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, to exempt Apothecaries from all Offices whatsoever:

And the Question being put, That the same be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That Apothecaries shall find a Person to serve the said Offices for them:

And the Question being put, That the same be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for reviving the Act, intituled, An Act for exempting Apothecaries from serving the Offices of Constable, Scavenger, and other Parish Offices; and from serving upon Juries.

*Ordered*, That Sir Henry Burnaby do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Monday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

Bribery at Elections.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better preventing Bribery and Corruption in Elections of Members to serve in Parliament be read a Second time upon Tuesday Morning next.

King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the King's Bench and Fleet be read a Second time upon Tuesday Morning next.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to make a Motion, when the House will please to receive it.

*Ordered*, That the Motion be made To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Conyers also acquainted the House, That he was directed by the Committee to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Monday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Committees.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That all Committees be adjourned;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel Stringer, } 45.  
Mr. Cholmly:

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Cha. Bloys, } 44.  
Mr. Rowney:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Sabbati, 28° die Februarii;

Anno 14° Willicelmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Gower's Estate.

A BILL for the Sale of the Manor of Attingham, alias Atcham, in the County of Salop, settled, in Jointure, on Ellen Wife of William Gower Esquire; and for settling a Farm, called Selley-hall, and a Moiety of the Manor of St. John, in Bedwardin, in the County of Worcester, of better Value, to the like Uses, in lieu thereof; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

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A Bill for Sale of Part of the Estate of Stephen Soame Gentleman, and Dorothy his Wife; and for applying the Monies, raised thereby, for Payment of his Debts, and for the Portions of Mary Soame, and William Soame, Two of his younger Children; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Sir Henry Dutton Colt reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for enabling Lionell Earl of Orrery, in the Kingdom of Ireland, by Sale of certain Lands and Tenements, to raise Money for Payment of his Debts; and settle other Lands to the Uses and Purposes in this Act mentioned; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made One Amendment to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz.

Press 4. L. 48. after "the," insert "Twenty."

Mr. Freeman reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of William Freeman Esquire is referred, That they had directed him to move, That the House will please to give Directions, whether Affidavits, taken in the Plantations, can be read before the said Committee, or not:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Committee have Liberty to read the Depositions of Mr. Cole, Solicitor General in the Leeward Islands;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Bertie, } 122.  
Mr. Morley:

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Hen. Peachy, } 142.  
Mr. Raleigh:

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Secretary Vernon acquainted the House, That he had a Message from his Majesty, signed by his Majesty: Which he presented to the House:

And the same was read by Mr. Speaker; and is as followeth; viz.

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HIS Majesty, being at present hindered, by an unhappy Accident, from coming in Person to His Parliament, is pleased to signify to the House of Commons, by Message, what he designed to have spoken to both Houses from the Throne: His Majesty, in the First Year of His Reign, did acquaint the Parliament, That Commissioners were authorized, in Scotland, to treat with such Commissioners as shall be appointed in England, of proper Terms for uniting the Two Kingdoms; and, at the same time, expressed his great Desire of such an Union: His Majesty is fully satisfied, that nothing can contribute more to the present and future Peace, Security, and Happiness, of England and Scotland, than a firm and entire Union betwixt them; and He cannot but hope, that, upon a due Consideration of our present Circumstances, there will be found a general Disposition to this Union. His Majesty would esteem it a peculiar Felicity, if, during His Reign, some happy Expedient for making both Kingdoms One might take place; and is therefore extremely desirous, that a Treaty for that Purpose might be set on foot; and does, in the most earnest Manner, recommend this Affair to the Consideration of the House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Thursday Morning next, take his Majesty's most gracious Message into Consideration.

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*Resolved*,



*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers.

Supply Bill; Malt Duty. Mr. *Conyers* presented to the House a Bill for laying a Duty upon Malt.

Ways and Means. Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, who were to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, That he was directed by the said Committee to move the House, That a Clause may be brought in, to some Bill, to prevent the Alienation of the Crown Lands.

*Ordered*, That a Clause be prepared, to prevent the Alienation of the Remainder of the Crown Lands: And that Mr. *Conyers* and Mr. *Lownds* do take care therein.

Irish Forfeitures. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Memorial of the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, presented to the House upon *Wednesday* last.

And the same was again read.

And the House proceeded to take into further Consideration the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; and the Reports thereupon.

And the Trustees attending, according to Order;

They were called in; and they presented to the House a List of the Claims, as they are entered with the Trustees; and an Account of Claims allowed Papists to Estates, of which they were not in Possession on the Second of November One thousand Six hundred Ninety-nine.

And the Petition of *Thomas Keightley* Esquire being read; and also the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And the Titles of the said List, and Account, were read.

And the said List, and Account, are bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

*Ordered*, That the said List, and Account, do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

And the House proceeded to consider of the Petition of the said Mr. *Keightley*; and also the Petition of *William Fownes* Esquire, on behalf of himself, and other Purchasers under the Grant of the said Mr. *Keightley*; the Consideration whereof was postponed.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. *Keightley*, upon his Petition;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Rich. Onslow*, } 103.  
Mr. *Gwyn*;

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Edw. Ernyly*, } 64.  
Mr. *Winington*,

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Trustees were called in:

And the Petition of Sir *John Temple*, and *Antony Guidot*, surviving Trustees for *Frances Countess Dowager of Tyrconnell*, being read; and also the Report of the Trustees thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the Countess of *Tyrconnell*, according to the Prayer of her Petition.

And the Trustees were called in again:

And the Petition of *Maria Euphemia Countess of Limerick*, the Relict of *William* late Earl of *Limerick*, being read; and also the Trustees Report thereunto;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Countess of *Limerick*, according to the Prayer of her said Petition.

The said Trustees were called in:

And the Petition of *Hannah Macdonnell* being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for Relief of the said *Hannah Macdonnell*, according to the Prayer of her Petition.

The Trustees were called in;

And the Petition of *Maurice Annesley* Esquire, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for Relief of the said Mr. *Annesley*, as to the personal Estate granted him for the Discovery thereof.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, after his Majesty's most gracious Message is considered, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; and the Reports thereupon: And that the said Trustees do then attend.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Winington*, Mr. *Freeman*, Sir *John Bridges* in *Stonehouse*, Sir *John Wynn*, Mr. *Bulkley*, Mr. *Lake*, Sir *Highways*, *Jeff. Jeffries*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Raleigh*, Mr. *Brewer*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to explain or alter the Act, made in the Two-and-twentieth Year of King *Henry* the Eighth, concerning Repairing and Amending of Bridges in the Highways, is committed.

*Ordered*, That Colonel *Kendall*, Mr. *Bridges*, Major *Caribbee* *Morgan*, Mr. *Palmer*, Sir *Hen. Peachy*, Mr. *Yates*, be Islands. added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Wm. Freeman* Esquire is referred.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Luna*, 2<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

Anno 14<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

SIR *Thomas Littleton*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for Relief of *Dorothy Baroness Dowager of Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with Relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received. Baroness of Upper Ossory's Relief.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours into all Sorts of Damasking Stuffs, and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of Stuffs. various Colours on the same; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for clearing, and making the River *Cham*, alias *Grant*, more navigable for Barges, Boats, Lighters, and other Vessels, from *Clayhithe*, alias *Clayhice*, in the County of *Cambridge*, was read the First time. Cham Navigation.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for enabling *Lionell* Earl of *Orrery*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, by Sale of certain Lands and Tenements, to raise Money for Payment of his Debts; and settle other Lands to the Uses and Purposes in this Act mentioned; was read the Third time. Earl of Orrery's Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendment, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed

agreed to the same, with an Amendment: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Henry Hanbury* have Leave to go into the Country, for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Supply Bill;  
Malt Duties.

A Bill for laying Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder, and Perry, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time, To-morrow Morning.

Royal Assent  
to Bills.

A Message, by Mr. *Aston*, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The King hath granted a Commission, under the Great Seal, for passing the Royal Assent to those Bills which have been agreed to by both Houses of Parliament: And the Lords, commissioned by the King, do desire, That this House would presently come up, with their Speaker, to be present at the Passing thereof.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers.

And, being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had been up at the House of Peers: And that the Lord Keeper of the Great Seal acquainted both Houses, that his Majesty, by an unhappy Accident, had been prevented from coming in Person; and had granted a Commission to several Peers, for passing the Bills therein mentioned: And that the Royal Assent was given, by Commission, to Three publick Bills, and One private Bill; *viz.*

An Act for the Attainder of the pretended Prince of *Wales* of High Treason:

An Act for punishing Officers and Soldiers who shall mutiny or desert in *England* or *Ireland*.

An Act for continuing an Act, intituled, An Act, That the solemn Affirmation and Declaration of the People called Quakers shall be accepted, instead of an Oath in the usual Form:

An Act for naturalizing *Charlotte* the Wife of *Hugh Boscawen* Esquire.

Hinde's  
Estate.

A Bill for enabling Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Houses, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for the Payment of the Debts of *John Hinde*, late of *London*, Goldsmith, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*,  
Sir *John Holland*: } 147.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Williams*,  
Mr. *Poole*: } 117.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Smith*, Lord *Spencer*, Sir *Wm. Hustler*, Colonel *Bierley*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Sir *Fra. Molyneux*, Sir *Cha. Shuckborough*, Mr. *Rowney*, Lord *Pawlet*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Mr. *Pudsey*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Sir *Jeffry Jeffries*, Sir *Fra. Blake*, Sir *John Mordant*, Sir *Rush. Cullen*, Mr. *Fleming*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Morgan*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Pagit*, Sir *Wm. Scawen*, Mr. *Newton*, Mr. *Dormer*, Sir *John Holland*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. *Campion*, Mr. *Walpole*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Monckton*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *Manly*, Mr. *Blake*, Colonel *Whar-ton*, Sir *Tho. Davall*, Mr. *Hayes*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of *John Brown* and *Tho. Sands* Merchants, which was ordered to lie upon the Table until the said Bill was read a Second time, be re-

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ferred to the Consideration of the said Committee: And that the Petitioners be heard before the said Committee thereupon.

A Petition of *Richard Tolson*, *Jeffry Wood*, and *Tho. Hinde's Estate*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *John Hind*, deceased, or his Trustees, were Owners of *Albemarle House*, and Grounds, in *Middlesex*; and set out the same to Builders, promising to grant Leases for Fifty-one Years, to commence from *Lady-day* One thousand Six hundred Eighty-eight; and that the Streets should be paved, and the whole Ground built, so as to become habitable: And one *Hugh Hunt*, *Hind's* Trustee, obtained a Decree in Chancery to execute Leases to the Petitioners, or their Trustees, upon certain Terms in the Decree mentioned: And the Petitioners proceeded in the Buildings, and laid out several Thousand Pounds on the Premises; but have yet no Leases, nor could they let the same, unless to Tenants at Will, at Under-rents, because the Streets were not paved according to *Hind's* Promise; and the Petitioners Houses stood amongst the Rubbish, and ruined Foundations; so that the Petitioners have lost the Interest of their Money, and paid Taxes; and yet there is a Bill in the House for selling the said Premises, without making sufficient Provision for the Petitioners, who have been the best Improvers, and are the greatest Sufferers therein: And praying, That they may have Leases of, or purchase, the Pieces of Ground by them improved, at as reasonable Rates as the rest of the Ground unimproved shall be set or sold at: And that they may be heard, by Counsel, before the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee: And that the Petitioners be heard before the said Committee thereupon.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Publick Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for taking Accounts the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Sir *Joseph Jekill* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Sir *Joseph Jekill* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made upon *Saturday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for granting to his Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales* and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors, be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning, after the Bill for granting to his Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the several Purposes therein mentioned, is read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to attain *Mary* late Wife of the late King *James* of High Treason, be read upon *Saturday* Morning next.

*Ordered*,

Committees. *Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 3° die Martii;*

Anno 14° Willielmi Tertii.

PRAYERS.

Money for repairing Churches, &c.

SIR Rowland Gwyn, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the more easy Recovery of Money for the Repair of Churches and Chapels: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Cheese-mongers.

Sir Roger Mostyn, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to prevent the Abuses of Cheesemongers, and their Factors; and the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Debtors Petition.

A Petition of the Poor distressed Prisoners for Debt, in the County Gaol of *Leicester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have been a long time in the said Gaol, by reason of their extreme Poverty; where they are ready to starve, for want of Food and Raiment; and are in no way able or likely to be freed from thence, except by the Compassion of the House: And praying, That their deplorable Condition may be taken into Consideration, and they be relieved.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt is committed.

Salt Duties.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Merchants, of the ancient Corporation of *Liverpoole*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in the House for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties, which is to ascertain the Bushel of Rock and Foreign Salt: That, if the said Bushel should be diminished, it will prevent the Refining of Rock Salt, which is a great Advantage to the Petitioners, and has reduced the Price of White Salt to Half its former Value; and employs a great Number of poor Persons, and Shipping, in conveying the same to many Parts of *England*; and now is extending its Trade to *Holland*, and the *Baltick* Seas: And praying, That the said Bushel may not be diminished; and that they may have Debentures allowed for exporting Rock and White Salt upon Affidavit, as now is used; and not be obliged to bring Certificates before they have their Debentures, which will be a great Hindrance and Loss of the said Trade.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

St. George the Martyr Poor.

A Petition of the Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, and other Inhabitants, of the Parish of *St. George the Martyr*, in the Borough of *Southwark*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Parish has many Prisons within it, besides the Rules, and *Mint*, for Shelters; whereby the said Parish is extremely overburdened with Poor, which daily increase upon them: And praying that Provision may be made, in the Bill for the more effectual Punishment of Vagrants, or otherwise that the said Parish may be indemnified from any Charge in respect of the Wives and Children of such Prisoners and Shelterers.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Appreese's Estate.

A Petition of *Hugh Underwood* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in the House to enable *Robert Appreese* the

elder, and *Rob. Appreese* the younger, to raise Money out of their Estate, for Payment of a Debt due to his Majesty; and the Petitioner is advised he hath a good Title to Part of the Estate intended to be sold; and hath been suing for the same above a Year, both at Law, and in Equity: And praying, That the Petitioner's Right may be saved by a Clause to the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

The House being informed, that the Committee, to whom the Bill to explain and alter the Act, made in the Twenty-second Year of King *Henry* the Eighth, concerning Repairing and Amending of Bridges in the Highways, is committed, who had Power to receive a Clause to explain or repeal an Act, made in the Twenty-third Year of Queen *Elizabeth*, intituled, An Act for the re-edifying *Cardiffe* Bridge, in the County of *Glamorgan*, had gone through the Bill, before the Order empowering them to receive the Clause relating to *Cardiffe* Bridge was made.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee do meet, and sit again, in order to the receiving the said Clause.

A Petition of Sir *Humphrey Edwyn* Knight, *Richard Jenkins* Esquire, *John Morgan* Esquire, *Rob. Jones* Gentleman, on behalf of themselves, and at the Request of the most Part of the Gentlemen, Freeholders, and Inhabitants, of the County of *Glamorgan*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for repairing and amending Bridges in the Highways is committed, have Power to receive a Clause to explain or alter the Act of Twenty-third *Eliz.* for the re-edifying *Cardiffe* Bridge: That there is a Bill exhibited in Chancery, to have a Discovery and Account of several Orders made, at the Quarter Sessions for the said County, in One thousand Six hundred Ninety-nine, and since, for raising the Sums of 600*l.* and 800*l.* for building Weirs on the River *Taffe*, above *Cardiffe* Bridge, which are no-ways useful to support the said Bridge: That the Petitioners are informed the said Clause is designed to confirm the Quarter Sessions said Orders; and to put the Power of raising Money, for repairing the said Bridge, in the Justices only, and to make it a County Bridge; when as the Town of *Cardiffe*, by the said Act, is to pay a Sixth Part of the Money raised: And praying, That they may be heard against the said Clause, before the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard before the said Committee thereupon: And that Mr. *Mansell*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Morgan*, be added to the said Committee.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Warner Lee*, alias *Warner Warner*, to make a Jointure upon his Marriage, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the settling and vesting divers Manors, and Lands, of *Francis Wightwick*, an Infant, lying in the County of *Stafford*, in Trustees, to enable them to settle and convey the same, upon the Marriage of the said *Francis Wightwick*, to such Uses, Intents, and Purposes, as shall be agreed upon, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. *Brewer*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other Inland Provisions, to the City of *London*: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill

Woollen, &c.  
Manufac-  
tures.

A Bill for the more effectual preventing the Abuses and Frauds of Persons employed in working up the Woollen, Linen, and Cotton Manufactures of this Kingdom, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

Sir Charles Hedges reported from the Committee, to whom the Consideration of the Petition of the Officers and Clothiers of the Army, and Proprietors of the Debt on the several Transport Services, was referred, That they had considered the same accordingly; and that the Petitioners had delivered in Proposals for encouraging the purchasing the *Irish* forfeited Estates, and Interests, with the Terms of purchasing; which the Committee had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for encouraging the Purchasing of the *Irish* forfeited Estates, and Interests, with the Terms of purchasing contained therein, to the following Purport;

1. That Commissioners be appointed and impowered to take Subscriptions for the said Purchase.

2. That Books be laid open, from the till the Day of or until the Sum the whole Purchase will amount to shall be subscribed, which shall first happen.

3. That, the whole Sum being subscribed, his Majesty be impowered to incorporate the Subscribers with necessary and reasonable Powers and Privileges.

4. That, the Incorporation being made, the Trustees shall convey to the said Corporation the whole forfeited Estates, and Interests, at the Prices, and on the Terms, following; *viz.*

The Estates in Fee, and those in Tail vested in Fee, as well in Possession of the Trustees, as of Mortgagees, at Thirteen Years Purchase.

The Reversions and Remainders of the Estates in Fee, and in Tail vested in Fee, out of which are Jointures, or Rent Charges, for One Life only, as well in Possession of the Trustees, as of Mortgagees, at Six Years and an Half.

Estates for Life in Possession of the Trustees, or Mortgagees, at the same Purchase.

Beneficial Leases in Possession of the Trustees, or Mortgagees, being uncertain, at 4,000*l.*

All which to be purchased according to the Rent Roll given, by the Trustees, to the Honourable House of Commons, as by them lett for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and One; which Rent Roll to be verified, and made good, to the Purchasers.

5thly, That, out of the aforesaid Prices, there be deducted to the said Corporation all Charges and Incumbrances whatsoever, upon the said Estates.

6thly, That the said Corporation shall deliver in to his Majesty's Exchequer at *Westminster* their Debentures; and thereupon receive Certificates from the proper Officers of the Exchequer, *gratis*; which Certificates shall be delivered by the Corporation, or their Agents, to the Trustees; and shall be by them taken as so much *English* Money for the said Purchases, according to the late Act of Parliament; and thereupon the Trustees to make the Conveyance to the Corporation.

7thly, That the Corporation be confirmed and quieted in their Possession, by Act of Parliament, against all Claims and Demands whatsoever, as to any Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Interests, to be conveyed to them by the Trustees; and may have all the personal Estates forfeited, and all other Benefits of the present Act, vested in them; and may enter thereupon, and enjoy the same, as from the First Day of November One thousand Seven hundred and One; and have all Arrears of Rent; together with such other Clauses, as may be necessary for the Advantage of the Corporation, and consistent with the publick Good.

A Computation of the Value of the said Estates, taken from the Rent Roll of the Trustees, according to the Terms afore-mentioned,

	£	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.		
Estates in Fee, in Possession of the Trustees - -	47,144	1	9½	72,490	1	9½	at 13 Years Purchase 942,371 3 3½				
Ditto, in Possession of the Mortgagees - -	8,579	0	0								
Estates in Tail, vested in Fee, in Possession of the Trustees	15,767	19	5¼								
Ditto, in Possession of the Mortgagees - -	998	13	10	10,446 5 9							
Jointures and Rent Charges for Life, out of Estates in Fee	6,733	9	3								
Ditto, out of Estates in Tail, vested in Fee - -	3,712	16	6								
Estates for Life, in Possession of the Trustees - -	5,823	18	10	6,039 9 2							
Ditto, in Possession of the Mortgagees - -	215	10	4								
				16,485 14 11			107,157 6 11½				
At 6½ Years Purchase - - - -	-	-	-	-							
Beneficial Leases, in Possession of the Trustees - -	3,313	12	8	3,721	7	2	4,000 0 0				
Ditto, in Possession of the Mortgagees - -	407	14	6								
				estimated -							
				Sum - -			1,053,528 10 3				

Estates in Claims undetermined, according to the same Rates, to be added hereunto.

Out of which to be deducted,

For Incumbrances, as by the Account given in by the Trustees - - - - - 336,828 4 0½

More, for Relief given upon Petitions this Session - - - - -

More, for all Crown Rents, Patent Rents, and Quit Rents, payable out of the said Estates -

The *Irish* Rents to be reduced to the *English* Value.

*Ordered*, That the said Proposals do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Estates  
given to  
superstitious  
Uses.

Sir Henry Dutton Colt presented to the House, according to Order, a Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*: And the same was received.

Bellew's  
Relief.

Colonel Byerly, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of Captain *Thomas Bellew*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received.

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Mr. *Gwyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Edward Singleton* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received. Singleton's Relief.

The Orders of the Day being read;

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better preventing Bribery and Corruption in Election of Members to serve in Parliament, be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next. Bribery at Elections.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, be read a Second time upon *Saturday* Morning next. King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.

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A Bill



Supply Bill; A Bill for laying a Duty on Malt, Mum, Cyder, and  
Malt Duty. Perry, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow at Twelve a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Robert Legard and Doctor Edisbury:

Mr. Speaker,

Marston's Charities.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for Confirming and Settling of divers Charities given by the last Will of *Job Marston* Gentleman, deceased: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

Earl of Orrery's Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling *Lionell Earl of Orrery*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, by Sale of certain Lands and Tenements, to raise Money for Payment of his Debts; and settle other Lands to the Uses and Purposes in that Act mentioned.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Supply Bill; A Bill for granting to his Majesty divers Subsidies, and  
Subsidies and a Land Tax, for the several Purposes therein mentioned,  
Land Tax. was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to prevent the Officers of the Exchequer from taking any Fees for any Aids given this Session of Parliament.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they do take care, that all Lands, which were chargeable to the Land Tax in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-three, be chargeable to the present Land Tax.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they do consider of relieving such Places where any Lands were doubly charged in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-three, and are now only chargeable with a single Assessment;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Woollaston, } 126.  
                                  { Mr. Walpoole: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Rich. Sandford, } 89.  
                                  { Mr. Austen: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That, where any Persons, relieved for Lands that have paid double, shall come to be charged more than Four Shillings in the Pound, the same shall be levied by way of Surcharge upon the whole County.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause, or Clauses, for the more effectual Payment of Seamen's Wages, and to prevent the Discount upon their Tickets.

Land Tax.

A Petition of *John Chetwin* Esquire, in the Name, and at the Request, of a great Number of the Freeholders and Inhabitants within the Hundred of *Hemlingford*, in the County of *Warwick*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have raised and paid their full Proportions, according to the several Acts of the Ninth and Eleventh of his Majesty, and the Land Tax in One thousand Six hundred Ninety-three; nevertheless their Officers have been fined by *Humphry Holden* Esquire, and other Commissioners acting in remote Parts of the said Hundred, for Neglect of their Duty, without being heard; and Duplicates have been certified into the Exchequer, wherein the Petitioners are

charged with above 800*l.* more than they were assessed; and a Certificate hath lately been made, by divers of the Commissioners, in pursuance of an Act made last Session of Parliament, whereby a Deficiency of 861*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.* is charged on the Petitioners, though they have raised their full Proportion, according to the said Act; and the Deficiency ought to have been laid elsewhere: And praying Relief in the Premises; and that such Irregularities may be prevented for the future.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee of the whole House.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors.

And the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

3d Sk. 16 L. after "Two," add "or at any time during the said Time."

5 Sk. 28 L. after "Recusants," add "and all Ecclesiastical Persons, all Members of Colleges and Halls in either University, that are or shall be of the Foundation, being of, or as soon as they shall attain, the Age of Eighteen Years; and all Persons teaching Pupils in either University, or elsewhere; and all Schoolmasters and Ushers; and all Preachers and Teachers of separate Congregations; and every Person who shall act as Serjeant at Law, Counsellor at Law, Barrister, Advocate, Attorney, Solicitor, Proctor, Clerk, or Notary, by practising in any manner, as such, in any Court or Courts whatsoever; who shall, at any time, after the First Day of *Easter* Term aforesaid, be admitted into, or enter upon, any of the before-mentioned Preferments, Benefices, Offices, or Places, or shall come into any such Capacity, or shall take upon him or them any such Practice, Employment, or Business, as aforesaid, shall, within Three Months after he or they shall be admitted into, or enter upon, any such Preferment, Benefice, Office, or Place, or come into any such Capacity, or take upon him or them such Practice, Employment, or Business aforesaid, take and subscribe the said Oath in One of the said Courts at *Westminster*, or at the General Quarter Sessions of the County, City, or Place, where he or they shall reside."

8 Sk. 17 L. after "lie," add Proviso, marked (B.)

9 Sk. 7 L. after "having," add "only."

Proviso (B.) "Provided always, That neither this Act, nor any thing therein contained, shall extend, be judged, or interpreted, to take away, or make void, any Office of Inheritance, so as such Person or Persons, having an Office of Inheritance, do, or shall, substitute and appoint his or their Deputy or Deputies, according to a Proviso in the Act, made in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, intituled, An Act for preventing Dangers which may happen from Popish Recusants; and so as such Deputy or Deputies do take and subscribe the Oath in and by this present Act required and expressed; and so as such Deputy or Deputies be, from time to time, approved of by the King's Majesty, under his Privy Signet."

The First Amendment being read a Second time, was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Second Amendment being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed, by adding, after "reside," "Provided that nothing in this Act contained shall extend to any Person now beyond the Seas, who, by virtue of this Act, ought to take the said Oath; so as such Person do, within Three Months after he return into *England*, take the said Oath, and subscribe thereunto, according to the Appointment of this Act:"

And



And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment, so amended.

The Residue of the said Amendments, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That Sir Charles Hedges do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments, with an Amendment: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Privateers.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers.

Barbadoes Government.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Sharp and Mr. Clayton be added to the Committee, to whom the Petition of Thomas Hodges Esquire is referred.

Bridges in Highways.

*Ordered*, That all the Members that serve for Wales be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for explaining, or altering, the Act of 22 Hen. 8. concerning Repairing and Amending of Bridges in the Highways, is committed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine of the Clock.

Mercurii, 4° die Martii;

Anno 14° Williclmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Mathews' Estate.

A BILL for vesting the Estate of William Mathews Gentleman, and Catharine his Wife, in Trustees, to be sold for the Purposes therein mentioned, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Northmore, Sir Francis Blake, Mr. Snell, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Fleming, Mr. King, Mr. Rowney, Mr. Cox, Mr. Herbert, Sir Alex. Rigby, Mr. Palmer, Sir Tho. Wroth, Mr. Jacob, Mr. Birch, Mr. Poultney, Sir Rowl. Gwyn, Sir Hen. Colt, Sir John Cotton, Mr. Bierly, Mr. Gwyn, Mr. Moor, Sir Wm. Drake, Mr. Gulston, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Palmes, Mr. Woollaston, Mr. Pendarcis, Sir Rich Cocks, Mr. Walpole, Mr. Clayton; and all that serve for the Counties of Devon, Dorset, Cornwall, and Wilts: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Greenwich Hospital.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to consider of Methods, and receive Proposals, for the encouraging the Royal Hospital of Greenwich for decayed Seamen; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir Richard Onslow, Sir Rowland Gwynn, Mr. Bierly, Sir Roger Mostyn, Sir Geo. Rooke, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Pultney, Mr. Morley, Lord Powlett, Mr. Cox, Sir Tho. Powis, Mr. Harris, Mr. St. John, Sir Edw. Gresham, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Fagg, Mr. Bromley, Sir John Bolles, Mr. Anderton, Lord Fairfax, Mr. Clark, Sir Chr. Musgrave, Sir Chr. Wren, Mr. Buller, Mr. Smith, Sir Fra. Massam, Sir Hen. Colt, Mr. Renda, Mr. Stonchouse, Sir Wm. Ashurst, Mr. Dolben, Mr. Lee, Sir Rob. Clayton, Sir Fra. Blake, Mr. Bridges, Sir Edw. Hussey, Mr. Gwynn, Sir Rich. Cocks, Mr. Pitfield, Mr. Onslow; and all the Merchants of the House, and that serve for Sea Port Towns; and all the Members who are Commissioners of the Navy: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do inquire into . . . . . Provision is

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made for the sick and wounded Seamen at the respective Ports, when they shall be brought on Shore; and what is further necessary to be done for that Purpose.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they do examine what Revenues and Monies have been received to the Use of the said Hospital; and how the same have been applied; and report the same to the House.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, That he will please to bestow some Dignity in the Church upon Dr. Francis Gastrell, Chaplain to this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to his Majesty by such Members of this House as are of his Majesty's most honourable Privy Council.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections be discharged from the hearing any more Causes this Session, touching Elections, beyond Four, including the Cause to be heard this Day.

A Petition of William Bourn, Robert Palmer, and Thomas Ellams, Masters of Three Fish Barks belonging to the Town and Port of Hastings, in the County of Sussex, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in June 1700, the Petitioners took in 30 Weight of Salt at Newcastle, which they spent in curing 11,000 Cod-fish, caught in the North Seas, and sold at and about Newcastle; of all which they made Affidavits; and hoped, their Bonds, given upon Taking in of the Salt, would have been delivered up to them as usually; but the same is refused them, unless they will pay the Duty of the Salt, which is as much as the Value of the Fish caught in that Voyage: And praying the Relief of the House in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties is committed.

A Petition of the Merchants, Clothiers, Clothworkers, and others concerned in the Woollen Manufacture, within the Borough of Leeds, in the West Riding of the County of York, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners observe, that the Woollen Manufacture of this Kingdom manifestly declines in its Exportation, by reason of the Transportation of English and Irish Wool, and Worsted Yarn, into foreign Parts; whereby Foreigners are enabled to work up their own Wool with ours; which otherwise, would be useless to them: And praying, That effectual Care may be taken to prevent the like Abuses for the future.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufactures; and to consider of the best Methods for regulating and improving the same.

A Petition of the Sovereign, Recorder, free Burgesses, and Protestant Inhabitants, of the Corporation Town of New Rosse, in the County of Wexford, and Kingdom of Ireland, in behalf of themselves, and the other Protestant Inhabitants thereof, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by the late Act of Parliament to prevent the Exportation of Wool out of Ireland and England into foreign Parts, the Port of Waterford, is thereby named; but Rosse is not; and the Commissioners of the Revenue in Ireland have so interpreted the Act, as to exclude the Petitioners from Shipping off any Wool, or Woollen Manufactures, which before they did in great Quantities; and, by their Charter, Rosse was made a Staple Town for transporting Wool for England; on which Trade it chiefly depends; and, they presume, it was never the Intention of this House to hinder such Transportation for England from Rosse, as well as Waterford;

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ford; the Ports of *Waterford* and *Duncannon* being equally concerned in preventing the Exportation of Wool, and Woollen Manufactures, into foreign Parts, from either of the said Towns: And praying, That they may be allowed the Liberty of transporting Wool, and Woollen Manufactures, from the Town of *Rosse* to *England*.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufactures; and to consider of the best Methods for regulating and improving the same.

Leave of Absence.

*Ordered*, That Major General *Earl* have Leave to go to his Command in *Ireland*.

Drawback on damaged Cyder.

A Petition of the Master, Wardens, and Assistants, of the Company of Fruiterers, and other Retailers of Cyder, in and about the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That great Quantities of the Fruit, that the Petitioners buy, prove bad, and are only fit to make Cyder for Distillation, or Vinegar; and also have much Cyder damaged by Carriage; the First Cost whereof is more than they can sell it for to Distillers and Vinegar-makers: And, in regard the same pays a Duty, when made into Spirits or Vinegar, the Petitioners pray, That, in the Bill for laying Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder, and Perry, Provision may be made for allowing a Drawback for all Duties charged upon such ordinary or damaged Cyder.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Mercers, &c. Trade.

A Petition of the Mercers, Grocers, Linen and Woollen Drapers, Wet and Dry Salters, and Haberdashers, within the Borough of *Pontefract*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That a great many Persons have, for several Years, presumed to use the said Trades, within the County of *York*, without serving Seven Years Apprenticeship, contrary to the Statute, 5<sup>o</sup> *Eliz.*; under which Hardships and Discouragements the Petitioners have long laboured: And praying Relief therein.

*Resolved*, That the said Petition be rejected.

Silk Spinning Engines.

A Petition of the poor distressed Twisters of Silk, Silver, and Gold, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are reduced to a most deplorable Condition, through the Use of Engines for the Spinning of Silk, Silver, and Gold; One of which Engines, with One Pair of Hands, being able to work above Twelve Quills of Plate, when the Petitioners cannot work one single Quill, without employing Five Pair of Hands; which is a vast Prejudice to the Petitioners Trade, and is a Means to take Work out of the Hands of the Poor; especially in *Cripplegate* Parish, where they must want Bread, for want of Employment: And praying, That the Use of the said Engines may be suppressed.

*Resolved*, That the said Petition be rejected.

Tower Hamlets Small Debts.

Mr. *Lake*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for a Court of Conscience for the *Tower Hamlets*, Borough of *Southwark*, *Holbourn* and *Finsbury* Divisions, and all other Places within the Weekly Bills of Mortality: And the same was received.

Justices of Peace Qualification.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for qualifying Justices of Peace, and Deputy Lieutenants, be read a Second Time To-morrow Morning.

Privateers.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to receive Proposals for the better Encouragement of Privateers in the *West Indies*; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Smith*, Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, Mr. *Moor*, Sir *Wm. Scawen*, Sir *Jos. Jekill*, Sir *Rich.*

*Cocks*, Sir *Tho. Davall*, Mr. *Crowe*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *St. Loe*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Liddell*, Sir *Rozel. Gwyn*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Bromley*, Lord *Pozzlet*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Aylmer*, Mr. *Cox*, Colonel *Churchill*, Sir *John Holland*, Mr. *Hobson*, Mr. *Sargison*, Mr. *Pitts*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Snell*, Mr. *Byerly*, Mr. *Clark*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Sir *Geo. Rook*, Mr. *Sheppard*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Walter Yonge*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Pelham*, Sir *Wm. Daynes*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *John Cotton*, Mr. *Gwyn*; or any Five of them: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers; and to sit *de die in diem*: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Ministers, Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, and principal Inhabitants, of the respective Parishes of *St. Andrew Undershaft*, *St. Buttolph's Bishopsgate*, *St. Buttolph's Aldgate*, *St. Catharine Creed Church*, *St. Catharine Coleman-street*, and *St. James's Duke's Place*, in the City of *London*, was referred, be made upon *Friday Morning* next.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Trustees to sell certain Lands, Tithes, and Tenements, for the Payment of the Debts of *Francis Purefoy* Esquire, deceased: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder, and Perry.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 5<sup>o</sup> die Martii;*

Anno 14<sup>o</sup> Willielmi Tertii.

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A BILL for the Sale of the Manor of *Attingham*, alias *Atcham*, in the County of *Salop*, settled in Jointure on *Ellen* the Wife of *William Gower* Esquire; and for settling a Farm, called *Selly Hall*, and a Moiety of the Manor of *St. John*, in *Bedwardin*, in the County of *Worcester*, of better Value, to the like Uses, in lieu thereof; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Gwyn*, Sir *William Hustler*, Mr. *Lambton*, Mr. *Coke*, Mr. *Vane*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Drake*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Sir *John Wynn*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Fox*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Nicholas*, Mr. *Pauncefort*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *John Conway*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Bromly*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Mitford*,

Gower's Estate.

Ways and Means.

*Mitford*, Mr. *Pope*, Mr. *Masters*, Mr. *Campion*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Salop* and *Stafford*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Woollen Ma-  
nufactures.

A Petition of the Merchants, Clothiers, and others, in and about the Town of *Wakefield*, in the County of *York*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the great Decay of the Woollen Trade, and the Increase of the Poor in those Parts, is, in a great measure, occasioned by the Exportation of our Wool into *France*, and other foreign Parts; the Laws for preventing the same remaining ineffectual, for want of Encouragement to the Wool Agents, and Officers employed to prevent such Exportation: And praying, That such Agents and Officers may have Salaries settled on them, out of a small Tax to be raised on Wool.

Ordered, That the said Petition be laid upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture; and to consider of the best Methods for regulating and improving the same.

Countess of  
Tyrconnell's  
Relief.

The Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Frances* Countess Dowager of *Tyrconnell*, the Relict of *Richard* Earl of *Tyrconnell*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, deceased: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Stanley's  
Estate.

A Bill for the Settlement of Lands and Hereditaments of Sir *Thomas Stanley* Baronet, for his Family's Benefit; and to enable him, in lieu thereof, to charge his Estate, for Payment of his Debts; was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Mr. *Woollaston*, Mr. *Williams*, Sir *John Wynn*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Lambton*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Nicholson*, Sir *John Cotton*, Sir *William Ashurst*, Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Mr. *Brereton*, Mr. *Pitfield*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Foley*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Mr. *Lee*, Sir *John Conway*, Colonel *Byerley*, Sir *John Bollies*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *Bromley*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Lancaster* and *Chester*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Answer to  
Address.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer acquainted the House, That their Address having been presented to his Majesty, That he would be graciously pleased to give Directions, That such Commissions, as shall be granted to Officers who were in Half-pay, may be made out without any Fee or Charge, his Majesty was pleased to answer, That he had already given Directions in that Matter.

Purefoy's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Trustees to sell certain Lands, Tythes, and Tenements, for the Payment of the Debts of *Francis Purefoy* Esquire, deceased, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Soame's  
Estate.

A Bill for Sale of Part of the Estate of *Stephen Soame* Gentleman, and *Dorothy* his Wife; and for applying the Monies raised thereby for the Payment of Debts, and for the Portions of *Mary Soame* and *William Soame*, Two of his younger Children; was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Sir *Charles Bloys*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Kemp*, Mr. *Lorrain*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Topham*, Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Manley*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *Coatsworth*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Masters*, Sir *Chr. Hales*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Papillon*, Mr. *Mitford*, Mr. *Lambton*, Sir *Fran. Blake*, Mr. *Chandler*, Mr. *Hopkins*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Suffolk* and *Cambridge*: And they

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are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of *Norwich* Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Election. City of *Norwich*, be made upon this Day Sevensnight.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of *Calne* Privileges and Elections, touching the double Return and Election. Election for the Borough of *Calne*, be made upon this Day Sevensnight, after the said Report touching the Election for the City of *Norwich*.

Ordered, That the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*; be read To-morrow Morning. Estates given to superstitious Uses.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Hannah Macdonnell*, with Relief. relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received.

Ordered, That the said Bill, and the other Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, be read To-morrow Morning.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for Punishing the more effectual Punishment of Felons, and their Accessories: And that Sir *Robert Clayton* and Sir *Wm. Ashurst* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill. Felons.

Ordered, That Leave be given, upon the Report of Supply Bill; the Bill for laying Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder, and Malt Tax. Perry, to bring in a Clause of Credit.

Ordered, That Leave be given, upon the said Report, to bring in a Clause to prevent the Brewers putting into their Liquors any thing but Malt and Hops.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Ditto. Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill for laying Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder, and Perry, was committed, the Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout, and then several of them a Second time; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Amendment, Fo. 18. L. 8. being read a Second time, to fill the Blank with "Four," relating to the Tax for the Malt Rent to Colleges;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Cha. Barrington*, } 166.  
                                  { Mr. *Hopkins*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Bromely*, } 103.  
                                  { Sir *Cha. Hotham*: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And as to the Amendments, by filling up the Blanks with "Twenty-ninth Day of March," the same were altered throughout, and made "the Tenth Day of April."

The Residue of the Amendments, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause of Credit being offered, according to Order, to be added to the Bill;

The same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up: And then the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

A Clause being offered, according to Order, to be added to the Bill, against unwholesome Liquors and Materials being used in Brewing;

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The same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The King's  
Message to  
be consider-  
ed.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, take into Consideration his Majesty's most gracious Message to the House upon *Saturday* last.

Irish For-  
feitures.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, and the Reports thereupon: And that the Trustees do then attend.

Justices of  
Peace Qua-  
lification.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for qualifying Justices of the Peace, and Deputy Lieutenants, be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next.

Greenwich  
Hospital.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Tho. Littleton*, Sir *Charles Hedges*, Mr. *Hobson*, Mr. *Aylmer*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Wm. Scawen*, Mr. *Woollaston*, Mr. *Freeman*, Sir *Alex. Denton*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Manley*, be added to the Committee appointed to receive Proposals for the Encouragement of *Greenwich* Hospital.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 6° die Martii;*

Anno 14° Willielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

Keightly's  
Relief.

MR *Ogle*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the relief of *Thomas Keightly* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*: And the same was received.

Countess of  
Limerick's  
Relief.

Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Maria Eufemia* Countess of *Limerick*, and *Thomas* Earl of *Limerick*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received.

Unwhole-  
some Bran-  
dies.

Mr. *Moor*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to prevent the Making of unwholesome and unmerchantable Brandies from *Corn*; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of *French* Brandies: And the same was received.

Damasking  
Stuffs.

A Bill for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours into all Sorts of Stuffs and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Henry Dutton* *Colt*, Sir *Arthur Owen*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Moor*, Sir *Fran. Blake*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Birch*, Sir *John Molesworth*, Sir *Tho. Hales*, Sir *George Rook*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Sir *Chr. Hales*, Lord *Coningsby*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Richards*, Colonel *Wharton*, Lord *Fairfax*, Serjeant *Whitaker*, Mr. *Pendarvis*, Sir *Edw. Norries*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *Craceford*, Mr. *Fortescue*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *Palmes*, Lord *Hide*, Mr. *Gee*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Nevill*, Mr. *Buller*, Mr. *Cary*, Sir *Rich. Sandford*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Somerset*, *Wiltshire*, *Gloucester*, and *York*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Cham Navi-  
gation.

A Bill for clearing and making the River *Cham*, alias *Grant*, more navigable for Barges, Boats, Lighters, and other Vessels, from *Clayhithe*, alias *Clayhive*, in the

County of *Cambridge*, unto *The King's Mill*, in the University and Town of *Cambridge*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Farrer*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Coke*, Serjeant *Whitaker*, Mr. *Gape*, Sir *John Cotton*, Sir *Tho. Cook*, Sir *Tho. Davall*, Mr. *Birch*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Sir *Rob. Clayton*, Sir *Edw. Turner*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Poultney*, Colonel *Churchill*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Edm. Bacon*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Sir *Rob. Marsham*, Mr. *Bromley*, Lord *Hide*, Mr. *Wild*, Mr. *Grandville*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Manley*, Mr. *Masters*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Ralcigh*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Mr. *Cholmley*, Sir *Edw. Norreis*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Sir *Chr. Hales*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Newton*, Mr. *Crowe*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Palmes*, Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *Buller*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Sir *Cha. Barrington*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Thompson*, Colonel *Wharton*, Mr. *Compton*, Mr. *Boyle*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Nevill*, Lord *Fairfax*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Norfolk*, *Suffolk*, *Essex*, *Hertford*, and *Cambridge*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Walter Young*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Sir *Chr. Hales*, Mr. *Lambton*, Sir *John Packington*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Halsey*, Mr. *Crowe*, Sir *John Stonehouse*, Mr. *Birch*, Colonel *Craceford*, Mr. *Johnson*, Sir *Hen. Johnson*, Sir *Phil. Boteler*, Mr. *Pagitt*, Mr. *Dyott*, be added to the Committee appointed to consider of Methods, and receive Proposals, for the encouraging the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich* for decayed Seamen.

Greenwich  
Hospital.

A Bill for Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time.

Baroness  
of Upper  
Ossory's  
Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Tho. Littleton*, Sir *William Hustler*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Compton*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Poultney*, Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Wild*, Mr. *Lambton*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Hysham*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Dolben*, Sir *Wm. Danes*, Mr. *Moore*, Mr. *Boyle*, Mr. *Crowe*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Foley*, Lord *Coningsby*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Masters*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Sir *Roland Gwynn*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Thompson*, Serjeant *Whitaker*, Sir *Edw. Ernyly*, Mr. *Coke*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Isaac Rebow*, Colonel *King*, Mr. *Newton*, Mr. *Molymour*, Mr. *Cox*, Marquis *Hartington*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Methwin*, Mr. *Raleigh*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Bill for the Relief of *Edward Singleton* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the First time.

Singleton's  
Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for vesting a Farm, called *Coleby Leathes*, in the County of *Westmoreland*, late the Estate of Dr. *Christopher Lowther*, deceased, in Trustees, to be sold, for Discharge of the Debts thereupon; and for other Purposes therein mentioned; was read the Second time:

Lowther's  
Estate.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be committed;

It passed in the Negative.

A Bill for Relief of *Hannah Macdonnell*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time.

Macdonnell's  
Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of Sir *Robert Guldeford* Baronet, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner hath, for many Years past, been possessed of an Estate of One thousand Pounds per Annum, lying in the Parishes of *East Guldeford* and *Winchelsea*, in the County of *Sussex*, adjoining

Rye  
Harbour.



adjoining to the Sea Coast, and Town of *Rye*: That there is a Bill in the House, for restoring the Harbour of *Rye* to its ancient Goodness; which, if it should pass, will much prejudice the Petitioner's said Estate: And praying, That he may be heard, by Counsel, before the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioner be heard, by his Counsel, before the Committee, thereupon.

Keightly's Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *Thomas Keightly* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

Bacolon's, &c. Nat.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Thomas St. Legar de Bacolon*, *Joseph de Lannay*, *Alexander de Raquel des Fourneaux*, and others: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Bellew's Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of Captain *Thomas Bellew*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Countess of Tyrconnell's Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *Frances Countess Dowager of Tyrconnell*, the Relict of *Richard Earl of Tyrconnell*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, deceased, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of *Dorothy Baroness Dowager of Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, is committed.

Greenland Trade.

The Act, made in the Fourth and Fifth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for the regaining, encouraging, and settling, the *Greenland* Trade, being read;

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for enlarging, and encouraging, the Trade to *Greeland*: And that Sir *Thomas Davall*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Clayton*, and Mr. *Scobell*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That they have Power, if they think fit, to provide for the Repeal of the said Act.

Jews Protestant Children.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Ministers, Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, and principal Inhabitants, of the respective Parishes of *St. Andrew Undershaft*, *St. Buttolph's Bishopsgate*, *St. Buttolph's Aldgate*, *St. Catherine Creed Church*, *St. Cath. Coleman*, and *St. James Duke's Place*, in the City of *London*, was referred, be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Supply Bill; Malt Duties.

A Bill for granting to his Majesty an Aid, by laying Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder, and Perry, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for ground Malt to have a Drawback upon Exportation:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for Gaugers to leave Charges in Writing:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Then several Amendments were proposed to be made in the Bill:

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Press 11. L. 30. instead of "made," insert "paid."

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13. L. \* insert "Forfeiture."

14. L. 25. leave out "upon," and insert "to make;" and leave out "made."

L. \* leave out "which," and insert "or may."

Press 16. L. \* insert "to time."

And the Bill was amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for granting to his Majesty an Aid, by laying Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder, and Perry.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Conyers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to his Majesty.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Sabbati, 7° die Martii;

Anno 14° Willielmi Tertii.

#### PRAYERS.

A BILL for making the River *Darwent*, in the County of *York*, navigable, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Palmes*, Colonel *Wharton*, Mr. Serjeant *Whitaker*, Sir *Rob. Clayton*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Bere*, Mr. *Vaughan*, Mr. *Clayton*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Boyle*, Mr. *Birch*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Mr. *Pitfield*, Mr. *Newton*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Pagitt*, Mr. *Lee*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Fagg*, Mr. *Mitford*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Lord *Rosse*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Manly*, Sir *Hen. Peachy*, Mr. *Onslow*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Fleming*; and all that serve for the Counties of *York*, *Westmoreland*, and the Five Northern Counties: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Thomas Hanmer* have Leave to go into the Country, for a Month, to the Funeral of a near Relation.

A Petition of *Joseph Offley* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner is the only surviving Executor of *John Owen* Clerk, deceased; to whom Sir *Thomas Stanly* was indebted Two hundred and Fifty Pounds by Bond; which the Petitioner has, ever since the Death of the said *Owen*, been suing for, and endeavouring to outlaw Sir *Tho. Stanly*; but he, by absconding in privileged Places, and pleading a Misnomer, has hindered the Petitioner, as yet, from obtaining any Benefit by such Prosecution; but he will be outlawed the next Term: And praying, That he may have Leave to bring in a Clause to the Bill, depending in the House, for the Settlement of Lands and Hereditaments of Sir *Tho. Stanley* Baronet, for his Family's Benefit; and to enable him, in lieu thereof, to charge his Estate for the Payment of his Debts, for the Security of the said Debt; it being the only Dependence of Three orphan Sons of the said Mr. *Owen*, to put them forth in the World.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition



Bury's  
Estate.

A Petition of *Joan Bury* Widow, Relict of *Humphry Bury*, late of *Collaton*, in the County of *Devon*, Esquire, deceased, on behalf of her Son, an Infant, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in One thousand Six hundred Seventy-five, the said *Humphry* did settle upon Trustees several Lands and Tenements, Com' *Devon*, in Tail Male; creating a Trust for Two hundred Years for raising Portions for his younger Sons, and Daughters; and, in One thousand Six hundred Ninety-five, by his last Will, appointed a further Trust for raising One thousand Two hundred Pounds for his Daughters: But, before the said Settlement, the Premises were charged with a Mortgage, whereupon there is now due about Two thousands Pounds: That the said *Humphry* left One Son *Thomas*, an Infant, about Ten Years of Age; during whose Infancy the Mortgage-money will much increase; and also *Christian*, One of his Daughters, who is of Age, is intitled to receive her Portion: And it will be more for the Advantage of the said Infant, that Part of the Premises be sold for Payment of the said Mortgage and Portion, than to be raised out of the Profits of the said Estate: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to enable Trustees to make Sale of Part of the said *Humphry Bury's* Estate, for paying off the said Mortgage, and Portion.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Bere* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Leave of  
Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. Serjeant *Whitaker* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Marston's  
Charities.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Confirming and Settling divers Charities, given by the last Will of *John Marston* Gentleman, deceased, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Countess of  
Tyrconnell's  
Relief.

A Petition of the Right Honourable *Isabella* Countess of *Roscommon*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *Wentworth* Earl of *Roscommon*, the Petitioner's late Husband, deceased, made a Conveyance, by way of Sale and Mortgage, to the Earl of *Tyrconnell*, of divers Lands in *Ireland*, which he looked upon only as a Security; and devised the Equity of Redemption thereof to the Petitioner, and her Heirs: That the said Conveyance was made after the Petitioner's Marriage; yet she did not join therein, nor do any Act to debar her of her Right to Dower, or by virtue of the said Will; and the Earl of *Tyrconnell* forfeiting his Interest in the said Estate to his Majesty, the same became vested in the Trustees appointed by the late Act of Resumption, before whom the Petitioner entered her Claim; which they have allowed; and she is in the Receipt of a Third Part of the Profits of the said Estate: But the Countess of *Tyrconnell* having obtained Leave of this House to bring in a Bill to reverse the Outlawry against her, she has not only brought in a Bill for that Purpose, but also to establish and put her into the Possession of the said Estate claimed by the Petitioner, without any Regard to the Petitioner's Title therunto: And praying, That she may be heard, by her Counsel, before the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed, in order that her Right may not be prejudiced by the said Bill.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Appreese's  
Estate.

Ordered, That Mr. *Thornlagh*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Richards*, Sir *Rob. Cotton*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable *Robert Appreese* the elder, and *Robert Appreese* the younger, to raise Money out of their Estate, for Payment of a Debt due to his Majesty, is committed.

Warner's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Warner Lee*, alias *Warner Warner*, to make a Jointure upon his Marriage, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Brewer*, Sir *Cha. Barrington*, Colonel *Crawford*, Mr. *Walpole*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Offley*, Sir *Phil. Boteler*, Sir *Geo. Rook*, Mr. *Anderton*, Sir *Tho. Hales*, Mr. *Pagitt*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Dyot*, Sir *Edw. Turner*, Mr. *Blysse*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Barrell*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Cor*, Mr. *Goreing*, Mr. *Owen*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Kent*, *Lincolne*, and *Norfolke*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Ordered, That Sir *Thomas Lear* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Leave of  
Absence.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the settling and vesting divers Manors and Lands of *Francis Wightwick* an Infant, lying in the County of *Stafford*, in Trustees, to enable them to settle and convey the same, upon the Marriage of the said *Francis Wightwick*, to such Uses, Intents, and Purposes, as shall be agreed upon, was read a Second time.

Wightwick's  
Estate.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Pagitt*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Sir *Chr. Hales*, Mr. *Moor*, Sir *Tho. Hales*, Sir *Walt. Yonge*, Mr. *Dyott*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Bagott*, Mr. *Mitford*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Harpur*, Mr. *Birch*, Colonel *King*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *John Packington*, Sir *Thomas Abney*, Sir *Arth. Owen*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Mitchell*, Mr. *Champneys*, Mr. *Lambton*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Stafford*, *Warwick*, and *Salop*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Petition of the Woollen-drappers in and about the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill, depending in the House, for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours into all Sorts of Stuffs and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same; will be prejudicial to the Woollen Manufactures in general, and to the Petitioners Trades in particular, and many others: And praying, That they may be heard against the said Bill, before the same do pass.

Da masking  
Stuffs.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that Sir *William Ashurst*, Sir *Tho. Abney*, Mr. *Williams*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Reula*, Mr. *Ward*, be added to the said Committee.

A Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*; was read the First time.

Estates  
given to  
superstitious  
Uses.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. *Bridges*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for making Provision for the Protestant Children of the Earl of *Clanriccard* and the Lord *Bophin*: And the same was received.

Earl of *Clan-  
riccard's*, &c.  
Provision.

Ordered, That Care be taken, That, in all the Bills for Reversing of Outlawries relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, that no Profits be received by the Persons concerned before the Time of adjudging their Claim.

Irish Forfeitures.

The House being acquainted, That there was a Message from the Lords;

Lords de-  
sire House to  
continue  
sitting.

Resolved, That the Messengers be called in.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holdford* and Mr. *Rogers*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords do desire this House will continue sitting for some time.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Resolved,



did notify the Royal Assent to the Bills in the said Commission mentioned :

And accordingly, the Royal Assent was given to the said Bills; viz.

An Act for granting an Aid to his Majesty, by laying Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder, and Perry :

An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of

Wales, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors :

An Act for enabling *Lyonell* Earl of *Orrery*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, by Sale of certain Lands and Tenements, to raise Money for Payment of his Debts; and settle other Lands to the Uses and Purposes in that Act mentioned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Die Dominico, 8° die Martii;*

Anno 1° Annæ Reginæ, 1701.

PRAYERS.

Death of King William, and Accession of Queen Anne.

MR. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That the Queen's Majesty, in Council, had commanded him to acquaint this House, That it hath pleased God to take to his Mercy our late most Gracious Sovereign King *William*, about Eight a Clock this Morning: And that the usual Orders were given for proclaiming her Majesty, according as hath been accustomed, at Three a Clock this Afternoon.

Address of Condolence.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That an humble Address be presented to the Queen, to condole with her Majesty upon the sad Occasion of the Death of our late most Gracious Sovereign; and to congratulate the happy Accession of her Majesty to the Throne; and to give her Majesty Assurance of the utmost Assistance of this House to support her Majesty on the Throne, and to maintain her Alliances for preserving the Liberties of *Europe*, and reducing the exorbitant Power of *France*: And that this House will effectually maintain the publick Credit of the Nation.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to draw up the said Address.

And it is referred to the Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, Sir *Thomas Powys*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. *Cowper*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Hoblyn*, Sir *Walter Yonge*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Mr. *Foley*, Earl of *Ranelagh*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Paget*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Lord *Powlet*, Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, Sir *John Gower*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Edw. Seymour*, Mr. *Boyle*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Godolphin*, Mr. *Methwin*, Colonel *Churchill*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Lord *Spencer*, Mr. *Moor*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Phil. Boteler*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Smith*, Colonel *Byerly*, Earl of *Disert*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Dormer*, Sir *Tho. Littleton*, Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Mr. *Coke*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Mansell*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Lord *Sherward*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Pelham*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Sir *John Holland*, Sir *John Bolles*: And they are to withdraw immediately into the Speaker's Chambers, to prepare the said Address.

Lords desire a Conference.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords desire a Conference with this House, presently, in the Painted Chamber, upon an extraordinary Occasion that has happened this Morning.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree to meet the Lords, presently, at a Conference, as their Lordships do desire.

And the Messengers were called in again; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

*Ordered*, That the Committee who are to draw up the Address to be presented to the Queen, do manage the said Conference.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And, being returned;

The Lord Marquis of *Hartington* reported the Conference; and that it was managed by the Lord Steward, who acquainted them, That whereas it hath pleased Almighty God to take to himself the late King *William* the Third, of glorious Memory, at Eight of the Clock this Morning, the Princess *Anne* being the only rightful and lawful Queen of these Realms, the Lords have thought fit to acquaint the Commons, That Orders are given, in the usual Form, for proclaiming her Majesty at Three of the Clock this Afternoon.

Proclaiming the Queen.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to inspect the Lords Journals, what they have done with relation to the Method they intend to take in attending the Proclaiming of the Queen.

Committee to search for Precedents.

And it is referred to Sir *Richard Onslow*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, and Mr. *St. John*, to do the same.

Sir *Richard Onslow* reported from the said Committee, That they had been at the House of Lords, and inspected their Journals: And that they do not find any Entry in their Journals, with respect to their attending the Ceremony of proclaiming the Queen; but that they understood, That the Lords do design to attend the same as Peers, and not as a House.

And, in order to the Speaker's, and Members, attending the Proclaiming of the Queen;

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 9° die Martii;*

Anno 1° Annæ Reginæ.

PRAYERS.

AN ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Trustees to sell certain Lands, Tythes, and Tenements, for the Payment of the Debts of *Francis Purefoy* Esquire, deceased, was read a Second time.

Purefoy's Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Cha. Shuckburgh*, Mr. *Winstanley*, Mr. *Greville*, Mr. *Coke*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Curson*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Harpur*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Colonel *Wharton*, Mr. *Guy*, Lord *Mordant*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Tho. Hales*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Brewer*, Lord *Pawlet*, Mr. *Chace*, Mr. *Offley*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Parker*, Colonel *King*, Mr. *Dyot*, Mr. *Thyn*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Dolben*, Sir *Tho. Willoughby*, Mr. *Anderton*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Stafford* and *Warwick*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the Relief of *Thomas Keightly* Esquire, and the other Bills relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Keightly's Relief.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, is committed, have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Baroness of Upper Ossory's Relief.

A Bill

Masters of  
Hoys carry-  
ing Pro-  
visions.

A Bill for Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn and other inland Provisions, to the City of *London*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Brewer*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Campion*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Bromley*, Colonel *Wharton*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Cha. Barrington*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Barrell*, Lord *Chenie*, Colonel *King*, Sir *Tho. Hales*, Sir *John Molesworth*, Mr. *Richards*, Mr. *Mannaton*, Mr. *Fitch*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. *Liddall*, Mr. *Pultney*, Mr. *Banks*, Sir *John Philips*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Colonel *Colchester*, Mr. *Fagg*, Mr. *Offley*, Sir *Edw. Turner*, Mr. *Pitfield*, Mr. *Onslow*, Mr. *Weston*, Mr. *Palmer*; and all that serve for *Kent* and *Essex*, *Surry*, *Suffolk*, and *Middlesex*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do provide, and make the Bill general for all Provisions carried Coastwise to the City of *London*.

Hinde's  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Woollaston*, Mr. *Lambton*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Offley*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Houses, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for Payment of Debts of *John Hinde*, deceased, is committed.

Tower  
Hamlets  
Small Debts.

A Bill for a Court of Conscience for the *Tower Hamlets*, Borough of *Southwark*, *Holbourn* and *Finsbury* Divisions, and all other Places within the weekly Bills of Mortality, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Meredith's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for enabling Sir *William Meredith* Baronet to sell Part of a Capital Messuage, Lands, and Hereditaments, herein-after-mentioned, in *Ashley*, in the County of *Chester*; he having settled other Lands and Tenements in lieu thereof; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

Exeter  
Deanery  
Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of *St. Peter*, in *Exeter*, and their Farmers and Tenants, to make Leases of and in the Manor of *Culmstock*, in the County of *Devon*: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Woollen Ma-  
nufactures.

Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* reported from the Committee, who were appointed to inspect the Laws relating to the Woollen Manufacture; and to consider of the best Methods for regulating and improving the same: That they had considered the several Petitions to them referred; and had directed him to report the Matter, as it appeared to them, to the House; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

That the Committee, upon Consideration of the several Petitions touching the Serge and Worsted Weavers, to them referred, do find, That the Matters therein alleged are true; but yet are of Opinion, That the said Trade ought to be free, and not restrained, according to the Prayer of the said Petitions.

Also, upon Consideration of the several Petitions of the Woolstaplers of *London* and *Southwark*, and the Manufacturers of *Colchester*, complaining of the Abuses committed by several Persons deputed by the Commissioners appointed, by Act of Parliament, to prevent the Exportation of Wool, the Committee do find, That several of the Officers employed by the said Commissioners have been guilty of many corrupt and indirect Practices, to

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the great Oppression and Discouragement of the Manufacturers of Wool.

Several Instances of which Abuses appeared to the Committee, upon the Examination of the Persons following; viz.

*David Picket* informed the Committee, That one *John Hughes* and *William Haling* did seize Seventeen Bags of Wool in November last, between Six and Seven a Clock at Night, at *Bull Wharf*, which came from *Kingston*, and was consigned to a Dealer in *Barnaby-street* in *Southwark*; and extorted from the Owner 22*l.* as appeared by a Receipt under the Hand of the said *Wm. Haling*.

*Benj. Whiting* said, He went with *Picket* to the said *Haling*, in order to get the Wool discharged: And *Haling* demanded Twenty-one Guineas for the same; which was paid him: But *Hughes*, hearing thereof, was very angry that the Wool should be discharged for that Sum; and refused at first to consent to it.

*Tho. Child* said, That he paid Forty Shillings for the Reckoning at the time when the Wool was discharged.

*William Haling* owned before the Committee, the Receipt of the One-and-twenty Guineas; but said, He acted by the Direction of *Hughes*, who received above Six Pounds of that Money: And that Mr. *Jones* received 10*s.* Mr. *Haines* 5*s.* and the rest was spent in Charges about the Seizure.

*John Hughes* was called in; and produced his Deputation from the Commissioners: And said, That he acted pursuant to the Act of Parliament for preventing the Exportation of Wool: That the said Wool was seized at Ten a Clock at Night, and therefore a lawful Seizure: Said, That he was not concerned in making the Agreement about the Discharge of the said Wool, neither did he receive the Twenty-one Guineas; but owned, that *William Haling* paid him 5*l.* Part thereof.

Mr. *John Denton* informed the Committee, That, in November last, he had a great Quantity of Wool seized at *Arundell* in *Sussex*, in the Carrier's Hands, which was entered in the King's Books at the Port of *Arundell*: And *John Dean*, the said Mr. *Denton*'s Factor, entered into a Bond of 2,000*l.* to the King, that the said Wool should not be transported, but be brought to *London*; notwithstanding which, one *Enoch Hurley*, *Cha. Jones* and *Tho. Brains*, seized the same in the King's Officers Hands: And they offered to release it, if Mr. *Denton* would give them 30*l.*; but, he refusing the same, the Wool is still detained, to his great Damage: That he has often demanded his Wool; and offered to go to a Tryal for the same in the Court of Exchequer; which they promised to do, but never gave him any Notice of a Tryal; and have often offered to deliver up the said Wool, if he would give them Money.

Mr. *Thomas Brayne*, one of the Officers, insisted upon the Legality of the Seizure; and said, The Officers are ready and willing to try the same with Mr. *Denton* in the Exchequer.

*Sam. Lewin* Esquire said, That he had Seven Packs of Wool seized in the Middle of *Cheapside*, in November last, about Six a Clock in the Evening, going to the King's Arms at *Holbourn-Bridge*, to *Froom* Carrier in *Somersetshire*: The said Wool was seized by *Spencer* and *Bland*, whose Deputations have been taken from them for several corrupt Practices and Abuses by them committed in several Parts of *England*.

Mrs. *Rainer* said, That she had Three Packs of Wool seized in *Holborne* going to *Leadenhall* Market, by *Spicer* and *Webster*, who extorted from her 30*s.* for the Discharge of her Wool.

*Richard Peale* said, That he had Four Packs of Wool seized in *Holborne*, going to *Leadenhall* Market, by the said *Spicer* and *Webster*, who extorted from him 40*s.*

*Richard Middleton* said, That he had Four Packs of Wool seized by the said *Spicer* and *Webster*, at *Charing-cross*, at Twelve a Clock at Noon, which was going to *Leadenhall*, Market and they extorted from him 30*s.* for the Discharge thereof.

*Abraham*



Woollen Ma-  
nufactures.

*Abraham Vole*, the *Colchester* Carrier, said, That, in December last was Twelvemonth, one *Jones* and *White* seized One-and-twenty Bags of Wool at his own Door at *Colchester*; and that he paid Mr. *Braine* and *Jones* 30*l.* to discharge the same: That it was near Ten a Clock at Night before he came in with his Waggon, by reason of an Accident which happened upon the Road with his Horses.

Mr. *Brayne* said, As to the said Twenty-one Bags of Wool, the same was seized at Ten a Clock at Night, and that it was a lawful Seizure; and a Writ of Appraisement was issued out according to Law: That several Gentlemen attended the Lord Chief Baron, to complain of this Seizure; and his Lordship ordered a new Writ of Appraisement: And accordingly the Wool was appraised at 30*l.* as a Dividend to the Officers that seized the same; which Appraisement was returned, and the Money paid to the Officer, according to Law.

*Abra. Vole*, the *Colchester* Carrier, said, That he hath several times given to one *Francis Sutton* 5*s.* at a time, to suffer his Waggon to go unmolested; and, if the Carriers refuse to give them Money, then their Waggon is stopped, till such time as the Carriers will comply with their unreasonable Demands.

*Rich. Arnold*, a Carrier, said, That very often the Carriers, by reason of Accidents upon the Road, either by breaking of their Waggon, or their Horses dying, or otherwise disabled, upon the Road, are forced to be out with their Waggon beyond the Hours limited by Act of Parliament for their carrying of Wool; and, when any Accident of that Nature happens, several Persons, pretending to be Officers, do seize their Wool, and extort Money from them.

*Nathanael Lawrence* Esquire, of *Colchester*, said, That several Persons, pretending to be Officers, do extort great Sums of Money from the Traders, who cannot carry their Wool to the Spinners, to be worked up, but immediately it is seized, under Pretence of exporting the same: That he had a Parcel of Wool seized coming from *Stourbridge* Fair, and he was forced to pay 4*l.* to get the same discharged:

That he has committed some of these pretended Officers to Goal, for taking Money from Persons, in order to release Wool.

*John Hughes*, one of the Officers, said, That there are great Quantities of Wool bought up at *Stourbridge* Fair, and, under pretence of being carried to *Ipswich*, and other trading Places, is conveyed away to *France*; and that several Persons are now under Prosecution for the same.

That there were several Proposals offered to the Committee, to prevent the Exportation of Wool; and, amongst others, one from Mr. *John Purchase*, a Wool-merchant, who proposed a general Registry of all Wool throughout the Kingdom.

And the Committee, having considered of the same, came to this Resolution;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the most effectual Way to prevent the Exportation of Wool, is, to establish a general Register of all Wool that shall be grown in this Kingdom.

That the Committee also, upon Consideration of the Proposal of the Woolstaplers of *London* and *Southwark*, came to this Resolution;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That one Way to prevent the Exportation of Wool, is, to prohibit all Wool from being water-borne on any Rivers leading to the Sea.

*Resolved*, That, &c. That the House be moved for Leave to bring in a Bill pursuant to these Resolutions.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the most effectual Way to prevent the Exportation of Wool, is, to establish a general Registry of all Wool that shall be grown in this Kingdom;

It passed in the Negative.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That one Way to prevent the Exportation of Wool, is, to prohibit all Wool from being water-borne on any Rivers leading to the Sea;

It passed in the Negative.

Colonel *Granville* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address, to be presented to her Majesty, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Most gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons in Parliament assembled, having a deep and true Sense of the great Loss the Nation has sustained by the Death of our late Sovereign Lord King *William* the Third, of glorious Memory, who, under God, was our Deliverer from Popery and Slavery, humbly crave Leave to condole with Your Majesty, and express our Sorrow on this sad Occasion.

Your Majesty's Accession to the Throne, which we most heartily congratulate, and your known Zeal for our Religion, and the Government, as by Law established, gives us a certain Prospect of future Happiness; moderates our Grief; and engages us unanimously to assure Your Majesty, That we will, to the utmost, assist and support Your Majesty on that Throne where God has placed You, against the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all Your Enemies: And, since nothing can conduce more to the Honour and Safety of Your Majesty, and Your Kingdoms, than maintaining inviolable such Alliances as have been made with the Emperor, the States General of the *United Provinces*, and other Potentates, for preserving the Liberties of *Europe*, and reducing the exorbitant Power of *France*, we do assure Your Majesty, That we are firmly resolved, to the utmost of our Power, to enable Your Majesty to prosecute that glorious Design: And, that all Your Subjects may rest in a full Assurance of Happiness under Your Majesty's Reign, we will maintain the Succession of the Crown, according to the Limitation in the several Acts of Settlement; and effectually provide for, and make good the public Credit of the Nation.

The said Address being read a Second time;

The several Amendments following were proposed to be made therein; viz.

After "made," to insert "or that her Majesty shall think fit to make;"

And, after "Crown," to insert "in the Protestant Line:"

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Address, so amended; which is as followeth; viz.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons in Parliament assembled, having a deep and true Sense of the great Loss the Nation has sustained by the Death of our late Sovereign Lord King *William* the Third, of glorious Memory, who, under God, was our Deliverer from Popery and Slavery, humbly crave Leave to condole with Your Majesty, and express our Sorrow, upon this sad Occasion.

Your Majesty's Accession to the Throne, which we most heartily congratulate, and Your known Zeal for our Religion, and the Government, as by Law established, give us a certain Prospect of future Happiness; moderates our Grief; and engages us unanimously to assure Your Majesty, That we will, to the utmost, assist and support Your Majesty on that Throne where God has placed You, against the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all Your Enemies: And, since nothing can conduce more to the Honour and Safety of Your Majesty, and Your Kingdoms, than

Address of  
Condolence.



than maintaining inviolable such Alliances as have been made, or that your Majesty shall think fit to make, with the Emperor, the States General of the *United Provinces*, and other Potentates, for preserving the Liberties of *Europe*, and reducing the exorbitant Power of *France*; we do assure Your Majesty, That we are firmly resolved, to the utmost of our Power, to enable your Majesty to prosecute the glorious Design: And, that all Your Subjects may rest in a full Assurance of Happiness under Your Majesty's Reign, we will maintain the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line, according to the Limitation in the several Acts of Settlement; and effectually provide for, and make good, the publick Credit of the Nation.

*Resolved*, That the said Address be presented to her Majesty by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That such Members of the House as are of her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do humbly know her Majesty's Pleasure when she will be attended by this House.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to her Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Boyle took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Boyle reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several resolutions; which they had directed him to report, and to make a Motion, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report, and Motion, be made To-morrow Morning.

Queen appoints to be attended.

Mr. Secretary Vernon reported to the House, That her Majesty had been pleased to appoint to be attended, by this House, at Half an Hour after Five a Clock this Afternoon, at *St. James's*.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 10° die Martii;*

Anno 1° Annæ Regiæ.

#### PRAYERS.

Supply Bill; Subsidies and Land Tax.

**RESOLVED**, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned.

Adams' Estate.

Sir John Bolles reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for vesting the Estate of *Richard Adams*, an Infant, in Trustees, for raising the Sum of Eight hundred Pounds, for the Maintenance and Portions of *William* and *Elix. Adams*, Infants, the Brother and Sister of the said *Richard*, pursuant to the Power reserved to *Wm. Adams*, deceased, Father of the said Infants, in and by his Marriage Settlement, and not executed by him in his Lifetime, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

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*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. Farrer reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to explain and alter the Act, made in the Two-and-twentieth Year of King *Henry* the Eighth, concerning Repairing and Amending of Bridges in the Highways, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House: And he read the same in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning.

The House took into Consideration the Proposals made for the purchasing the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Sale of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*: And that Sir *Charles Hedges* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Petition of *Robert Parker* senior, Clothworker, on behalf of himself, and others the first Inventors of the Art or Mystery of Damasking, Striking, and Fixing, of Colours, into all Sorts of Stuffs, Cloth, Velvets, and Hair; was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, for divers Years past, the Petitioners have practised the said Arts: And praying, That they may be heard, by Counsel, against the Bill depending in the House for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours, into all Sorts of Stuffs and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioner be heard, before the Committee, upon the said Petition.

A Petition of *Thomas Plomer*, *Joseph Roe*, and others, Ditto. on behalf of themselves, and divers Traders and Manufacturers in Wool, residing in and about the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in the House for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours, into all Sorts of Stuffs, and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same; which, if it should pass, will be prejudicial to the Woollen Manufacture in general, and particularly to the Petitioners: And praying to be heard what they have to offer against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard, before the Committee, upon their said Petition.

A Petition of Sir *Thomas Cuddon* Knight, and others, Ditto. in behalf of themselves, and many others concerned in Beautifying of Stuffs, and Woollen Manufactures, with hot Rolls, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, for above Thirty Years past, the Petitioners have used the Trade of printing, damasking, and embossing, and raising, Flowers, Shades, and Figures, of divers Sorts, on Woollen Stuffs, to the great Improvement thereof: And praying, That they may be heard, by their Counsel, before the Bill for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours, into all Sorts of Stuffs and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same; do pass this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Consideration of the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Petitioners be heard, before the Committee, upon the said Petition.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee do hear the Matter of all the Petitions referred to them against the said Bill: And that they do make a special Report thereupon to the House, before they proceed upon the said Bill.

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Chaplain.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer acquainted the House, That, by reason of his late Majesty's Indisposition, he did not think fit to trouble his Majesty with the Address on behalf of Dr. *Gastrell*, Chaplain to this House.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, That her Majesty will please to bestow some Dignity in the Church upon Dr. *Francis Gastrell*, Chaplain to this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Ways and  
Means.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider further of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to her Majesty, the Resolutions of the said Committee, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

1. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That an Aid be granted to her Majesty, by a Tax, to be laid upon all beneficial Grants of Lands, Pensions, Annuities, and Offices, in *England*, granted by the Crown, since the Twenty-ninth Day of May, One thousand Six hundred Sixty.

2. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage, and other Sums of Money payable upon Merchandize exported and imported, which were first granted by an Act in the Twelfth Year of King *Charles* the Second, and, by an Act of the Eighth Year of his late Majesty King *William* the Third, are to have Continuance until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Six, be further continued until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Ten.

3. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Impositions upon Wine and Vinegar, which were first granted in the First Year of the Reign of the late King *James* the Second, and, by an Act in the Eighth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King *William* the Third, are to continue until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Six, be further continued until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Ten.

4. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the continued Impositions on Tobacco, which were also first granted in the First Year of the Reign of the late King *James* the Second, and have Continuance until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Six, be further continued until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Ten.

5. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Impositions upon *East India* Goods, and other Merchandizes, which were granted by an Act in the Second Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King *William* the Third, and, by an Act in the Eighth Year of his said late Majesty's Reign, have Continuance until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Six, be further continued until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Ten.

6. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the additional Impositions upon several Merchandizes, which were first granted by an Act of the Fourth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King *William* the Third, and, by an Act of the Eighth Year of his said late Majesty's Reign, have Continuance until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Six, be further continued until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Ten.

7. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That such Duties upon Vellum, Parchment, and Paper, as were first granted in the Fifth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King *William* the Third, and, by an Act of the Eighth Year of his said late Majesty's Reign, have continuance to the First Day of August One

thousand Seven hundred and Six, be further continued until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Ten.

8. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Duties upon Marriages, Births, Burials, Bachelors, and Widowers, which were first granted by an Act in the Sixth Year of the Reign of his said late Majesty King *William* the Third, and, by an Act in the Eighth Year of his said late Majesty's Reign, have Continuance until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Six, be further continued until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Ten.

9. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Duties on Houses, which were first granted by an Act made in the Seventh Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King *William* the Third, and, by an Act in the Eighth Year of his said late Majesty's Reign, have Continuance until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Six, be further continued until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Ten.

10. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That all the Duties upon Salt and Rock Salt, granted by an Act made in the Seventh Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King *William* the Third, after all the Principal and Interest, to which the same is now liable, shall be paid off, be appropriated and applied for and towards the making good the Principal and Interest of Parliamentary Funds, which are deficient, and unprovided for.

11. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Duties upon Whale-fins, and *Scotch* Linen, imposed by an Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King *William* the Third, and which were granted for the Term of Eight Years, be continued until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Ten.

12. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the said Duties so to be continued, be appropriated and applied for and towards the Principal and Interest of Parliamentary Funds, which are deficient, and unprovided for.

13. *Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, after all the Principal and Interest secured by the Act made, for making good the Deficiencies, passed in the Eighth Year of the late King *William* the Third, shall be satisfied, the Remainder of the Monies to come in, by that Act, of the Funds thereby granted for making good the said Deficiencies, be applied for or towards the making good the Principal and Interest of Parliamentary Funds, which are deficient, and unprovided for.

The First Seven of the said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

The Eighth Resolution being read a Second time,

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the Duties upon Marriages, Births, Burials, Bachelors, and Widowers, which were first granted by an Act in the Sixth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King *William* the Third, and, by an Act in the Eighth Year of his said late Majesty's Reign, have Continuance until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Six, be further continued until the First Day of August One thousand Seven hundred and Ten;

It passed in the Negative.

The Residue of the said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That a Bill, or Bills, be brought in upon the said Resolutions, agreed unto by the House: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. *Lowndes*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill, or Bills.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer also reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move, That the House will appoint a Day to take into Consideration the Arrears standing out, relating to publick Funds.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That the said Arrears be taken into Consideration upon *Saturday Morning* next.

Answer to  
Address.

Mr. Speaker reported, That he, with the House, did Yesterday present to her Majesty their humble Address: And that the great Croud occasioning much Noise, he did, to avoid any Mistake, desire a Copy of her Majesty's most gracious Answer: Whereupon her Majesty's Goodness was such, that she sent it him of her own Hand-writing, as followeth; viz.

Gentlemen,

I Return you my hearty Thanks for the kind Assurances you give me in this Address: They cannot be any way more agreeably confirmed to me, than by your giving Dispatch to all your Preparations for the Public Service, and the Support of our Allies.

Committee  
of Privileges.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections be discharged from hearing any more Causes this Session, except the Matter touching the Election for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*, which they have entered upon.

Irish For-  
feitures.

*Ordered*, That the Bills relating to the *Irish Forfeitures* be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Publick  
Accounts.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom was committed, be made upon *Thursday Morning* next.

Irish For-  
feitures.

The House, according to Order, proceeded further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; and the Trustees Reports thereupon.

And the Trustees in Town attending;

They were called in.

The Petition of the Lord Viscount *Montjoy* being read; and also the Trustees Report thereupon; the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Lord *Montjoy*.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction, That the said Lord *Montjoy* be allowed the Sum of Four thousand Pounds out of the Sale of the said Estate, mentioned in his Petition.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Godfrey Copley* and Mr. *Dolben* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Petition, and Report, of *Phil. Savage* Esquire be considered, in the First place, the next Day that any of the Petitions and Reports, touching the *Irish Forfeitures*, shall be taken into Consideration.

The Trustees were called in:

And the Petition of Captain *Richard Fitz-Patrick* being read; and also the Trustees Report thereupon; the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Captain *Fitz-Patrick*, according to the Prayer of his Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees were called in;

And the Petition of *Charles* Earl of *Abercorne*, lately deceased, and *Catharine* Countess of *Abercorne*, his Wife, late Relict of *William Lenthall* Esquire, deceased, being read; and also the Trustees Report thereupon; the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for Relief of the said Countess of *Abercorne*, according to the Prayer of the said Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees were called in:

And the Petition of *Eliz. Wandesford*, the Widow and

Relict of *Garret Foulks* Esquire, and of *Eliz. Foulks* her Daughter, being read; and also the Trustees Report thereupon; the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Eliz. Wandesford* and *Eliz. Foulks*, according to the Prayer of the said Petition;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel *Granville*, } 100.  
                                  { Colonel *Lee*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Bridges*, } 63.  
                                  { Sir *Edw. Erny*: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That Colonel *Stringer* and Colonel *Granville* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees were called in:

And the Petition of Colonel *Henry Lutterell* being read; and also the Trustees Report thereupon; the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. *Lutterell*, according to the Prayer of his Petition: And that the Lord *Comingsby* and Sir *Thomas Powis* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees were called in:

And the Petition of *Catharine Lutterell* Widow, the Relict of *Simon Lutterell* Esquire, deceased; being read; and also the Trustees Report thereupon; the Trustees were heard thereunto:

Who acquainted the House, That her Claim had been allowed before the Trustees, as to what she petitioned for.

The Petition of *Jane Lavallin*, an Infant, Daughter and sole Heiress of *Patrick Lavallin* Esquire, deceased, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon; the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for Relief of the said *Jane Lavallin*, by reversing her Outlawry, to enable her to make her Claim to the Estate claimed by her.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Charles Hedges* and Sir *Joseph Tredenham* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees were called in:

And the Petition of *Mary Vernon*, the Daughter and Heir of *Edward Vernon* Esquire, deceased, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon; the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for Relief of the said *Mary Vernon*, by reversing her Outlawry, in order to enable her to make her Claim to the Estate claimed by her.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Charles Hedges* and Mr. *Dolben* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday Morning* next, at Eleven a Clock, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; and the Trustees Reports thereupon: And that the Trustees in Town do then attend.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers.

Privateers.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bulkeley*, Mr. *Pershall*, Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *Brereton*, Mr. *Herne*, Mr. *Randa*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Ettrick*, Mr. *Grahme*, Mr. *Winington*, Mr. *Parker*, Mr. *Bromley*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roch*, with relation to the *Irish Forfeitures*, is committed.

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sory's Relief.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 11<sup>a</sup> die Martii;*

Anno 1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Reginae.

PRAYERS.

Statute of  
Mortmain.

THE Statute of Mortmain of 7<sup>o</sup> Edw. 1. being read;

And a Motion being made, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to suspend the Statute of Mortmain, in Ease of such Persons as have Glebe Lands, Tythes, and Tenths, of any kind, and are willing to settle them upon such Churches or Chapels as they shall judge to stand in most need thereof; and a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned until *Friday Morning* next.

Abuses in  
Victualing  
Department.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, who were appointed to inquire into the Matter of the Complaint of Frauds and Abuses at the King's Brewhouse in *St. Catharine's*, be made To-morrow Morning.

Marston's  
Charities.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Confirming and Settling of divers Charities, given by the last Will of *Job Marston* Gentleman, deceased, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Foley*, Sir *Henry Dutt. Colt*, Mr. *Chandler*, Mr. *Herne*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Johnson*, Sir *Rob. Clayton*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *Birch*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Mr. *Mansell*, Mr. *Lambton*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Hysham*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Mr. *Gorge*, Sir *Fran. Blake*, Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Sir *Edw. Ernly*, Mr. *Harpur*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Ogle*, Sir *Fran. War*, Mr. *Ash*, Mr. *Wild*, Mr. *Fox*, Mr. *Car*, Mr. *Bulkley*, Mr. *Harvey*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Warwick*, *Worcester*, and *Hereford*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Exeter  
Deanery  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of *St. Peter* in *Exeter*, and their Farmers and Tenants, to make Leases of, and in, the Manor of *Culmstock*, in the County of *Devon*, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Hind's  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Tho. Powys*, Sir *John Hawles*, Sir *Edm. Denton*, Mr. *Bridges*, Colonel *Kendall*, Mr. *Ettrick*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *John Theobald*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*, for the Payment of the Debts of *John Hind*, is committed.

Bridges in  
Highways.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill to explain and alter the Act, made in the Twenty-second Year of King *Henry* the Eighth, concerning Repairing and Amending of Bridges in the Highways, was committed.

And the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill, being once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, touching Bridges to be repaired by the County;

The same was once read:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, for Inhabitants to be Witnesses;

And the same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, concerning *Rochester* Bridge:

And the same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Message from her Majesty, by Sir *David Mitchell*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod: Message to attend the Queen.

Mr. Speaker,

The Queen commands this Honourable House to attend her Majesty, in the House of Peers, immediately.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend her Majesty.

And, being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had attended her Majesty in the House of Peers: Where her Majesty was pleased to make a most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament: And, in regard of the Croud, and Noise, he had procured a Copy thereof; which he read; and is as followeth; viz. The Queen's Speech reported.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I cannot too much lament my own Unhappiness, in succeeding to the Crown so immediately after the Loss of a King, who was the great Support not only of these Kingdoms, but of all *Europe*; and I am extremely sensible of the Weight and Difficulty it brings upon Me.

But the true Concern I have for our Religion; for the Laws and Liberties of *England*; for the maintaining the Succession to the Crown in the Protestant Line; and the Government in Church and State, as by Law established; encourages Me in this great Undertaking; which, I promise myself, will be successful, by the Blessing of God, and the Continuance of that Fidelity and Affection, of which you have given Me so full Assurance.

The present Conjunction of Affairs requires the greatest Application and Dispatch; and I am very glad to find, in your several Addresses, so unanimous a Concurrence in the same Opinion with Me, That too much cannot be done for the Encouragement of our Allies, to reduce the exorbitant Power of *France*.

I think it very necessary, at this Time, to desire you to consider of proper Methods for attaining an Union between *England* and *Scotland*; which has been so lately recommended to you as a Matter that very nearly concerns the Peace and Safety of both Kingdoms.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I need not put you in mind, That the Revenue, for defraying the Expences of the Civil Government, is expired: I rely entirely upon your Affections for the supplying it in such manner as shall be most suitable for the Honour and Dignity of the Crown.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

It shall be my constant Endeavour to make you the best Return for that Duty and Affection which you have expressed to Me, by a careful and diligent Administration for the Good of all my Subjects: And, as I know my own Heart to be entirely *English*, I can very sincerely assure you, there is not any thing you can expect, or desire from Me, which I shall not be ready to do for the Happiness and Prosperity of *England*; and you shall always find me a strict and religious Observer of My Word.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the humble Thanks of this House be returned to her Majesty, for her Majesty's most gracious Speech from the Throne. Thanks for Queen's Speech.

*Ordered*, That the said humble Thanks of this House be returned to her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, take into Consideration her Majesty's most gracious Speech. The Queen's Speech to be considered.

*Ordered*,



**Irish Forfeitures.** *Ordered*, That the Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures be read a Second time To-morrow Morning, at the first Sitting of the House.

**Supply Bill; Subsidies and Land Tax.** The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, being read;

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do take care, that the same Commissioners only, who executed the Act for the last Year's Land Tax, do execute the said Act for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned.

The House resolved itself into the said Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the Matter to them referred; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

**Explaining 7 W. III. for Security of King's Person.** The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for explaining a Clause in an Act, made at the Parliament begun and holden at *Westminster* the Twenty-second of November, in the Seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King *William* the Third, intituled, An Act for the better Security of his Majesty's Person and Government: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House: And also,

**Selling Lands in Whitchurch.** A Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting several Messuages, Lands and Tenements, in the Parish of *Whitchurch*, in the County of *Chester*, in Trustees, to be sold for paying off the Incumbrances charged thereon; and for other Uses therein mentioned: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

**Committees.** *Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 12<sup>o</sup> die Martii;*

Anno 1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Reginæ.

#### PRAYERS.

**Keightley's Relief.** A BILL for the Relief of *Thomas Keightley* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, is committed.

**Earl of Clanriccard's &c. Provision.** A Bill for making Provision for the Protestant Children of the Earl of *Clanriccard* and the Lord *Bophin* was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, is committed: And that Mr. *Pendarvis*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Pagitt*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Manly*, Mr. *Byerly*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Etterick*, be added to the said Committee.

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*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do take care, that all the Lord *Bophin's* Children be bred Protestants in *England*.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they do take care, that, in all the Bills relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, the Estates therein mentioned be left to none but Protestants.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they do take care, that none but Protestant Descendants have any Benefit by the said Bills.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of East Retford Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of *East Retford*, in the County of *Nottingham*, be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

A Bill for the Relief of Captain *Thomas Bellew*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time. **Bellew's Relief.**

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, is committed.

A Bill for the Relief of *Edward Singleton* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read a Second time. **Singleton's Relief.**

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, is committed.

A Bill for the Relief of *Maurice Annesly* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time. **Annesly's Relief.**

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, is committed.

A Bill for the Relief of *Hannah Macdonnell*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time. **Macdonnell's Relief.**

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, is committed.

A Bill for the Relief of *Maria Eufemia* Countess of *Limerick*, and *Thomas* Earl of *Limerick*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time. **Countess of Limerick's Relief.**

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, is committed.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee do sit *de die in diem*.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do take care, that all the Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures be amended, and made according to the Orders of the House for bringing in the said Bills.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, is committed; That they do hear Mr. *Chetwind*, upon his Petition, and the Commissioners complained of therein, as to what they have to offer for their Justification. **Supply Bill; Subsidies and Land Tax.**

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for explaining a Clause in an Act, made at the Parliament begun and holden at *Westminster* the Twenty-second of November, in the Seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King *William* the Third, intituled, An Act for the better Security of his Majesty's Person and Government, was read the First time. **Explaining Act 7 W. III. for Security of King's Person.**

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*Resolved*,



*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Jews  
Protestant  
Children.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Ministers, Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, and principal Inhabitants, of the respective Parishes of *St. Andrew Undershaft*, *St. Buttolph's Bishopsgate*, *St. Buttolph's Aldgate*, *St. Catharine Creed Church*, *St. Catharine Coleman*, and *St. James Duke's Palace*, in the City of London; praying, That a Bill may be brought in to oblige *Jacob Mendez de Brêta*, in particular, and the Jews in general, to maintain and provide for their Protestant Children; was referred; be made To-morrow Morning.

Duty on Sale  
of joint Stock  
Shares.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for laying a Duty upon buying and selling, or bargaining for, Shares in any joint Stocks or Corporations: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

Answer to  
Thanks.

Sir *Charles Hedges* reported to the House, That their humble Thanks having been returned to her Majesty for her Majesty's most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament Yesterday, the said Message had a very gracious Reception: And that her Majesty had been pleased to command him to assure this House, That nothings shall be wanting on her Part, that may contribute to their Safety, and Welfare.

The Queen's  
Speech con-  
sidered.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration her Majesty's most gracious Speech.

And the same was again read by Mr. Speaker.

Supply.

And a Motion being made for a Supply to be granted to her Majesty, for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown;

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of that Motion.

Union with  
Scotland.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, take into Consideration that Part of her Majesty's Speech, which relates to the Union with *Scotland*.

Norwich  
Election.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the City of *Norwich*; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; *viz.*

Upon the Petition of *Thomas Havers* Esquire, One of the Sheriffs of *Norwich*; and also upon the Petition of *Peter Thacker* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of *Robert Davy* Esquire, to serve for the said City of *Norwich*:

That the First thing the Committee proceeded on, was, the Right of Election: And the Right not being controverted either by the Petitioner or the Sitting Member; but allowed to be as in the following Resolution; the Committee for the better Settling of the Right came to this Resolution:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Right of electing Citizens to serve in Parliament for the City of *Norwich* is in the Freeholders, and such Freemen only of the said City as are entered in the Books, and do not receive Alms or Charity.

That, as to the Matter of the Return, upon Inspection of the Record, it appeared to be thus:

That there are Two Sheriffs of *Norwich*: The present Sheriffs are, Mr. *Nall*, and Mr. *Havers* the Petitioner: The Writ was delivered to Mr. *Havers*, who afterwards delivered it over to Mr. *Nall*.

That it was admitted, That Mr. *Nall*, being an

Attorney, had all along done the Business of the Under Sheriff as well for himself as Mr. *Havers* the other Sheriff: That, in this Case, Mr. *Nall* signed the Indenture, by which the Return was made; and Mr. *Havers* refused to sign it; and that Mr. *Nall*, as is usual for Under Sheriffs, subscribed Mr. *Havers*' Name, as well as his own, to the Indorsement of the Writ; importing, That the Execution of the Writ appeared by the said Indenture annexed; and then carried the same, and filed it with the Clerk of the Crown: That Mr. *Havers*, being not satisfied with the Return of Mr. *Davy*, brought up with him an Indenture, signed by several Inhabitants, and himself; importing the Return of Mr. *Clark*, and Mr. *Thacker*; and, after the Writ so returned by Mr. *Nall* had been filed, offered the same to the Clerk of the Crown, to be affixed to the Writ, to make a double Return; but the Clerk of the Crown, having had a perfect Return before, did not think fit to annex the same to the Writ:

But that the Matter chiefly in Difference between the Parties, in relation to the Petition of Mr. *Havers*, was about the Declaring of the Election, and refusing a Scrutiny:

And, to that, Mr. *Havers*' Counsel called several Witnesses:

Mr. *Matthew Coates* said, He saw the Books sealed up by both the Sheriffs, as he believes, in order to a Scrutiny.

Mr. *Edw. Lock* said, That, the Day after the Election, he was desired to go along with Mr. Sheriff *Havers*, to open the Books; and when they came to Mr. Sheriff *Nall*'s House, they found the Books open.

Mr. *John Wiggot*, Mr. *Bernard Tooley*, Mr. *Thomas Lombe*: The Substance of whose Evidence was; That the Election was on *Wednesday* the 26th of November last: That the Poll being cast up the next Day, there was a Scrutiny demanded, and consented to, by all Persons: That, on *Friday*, when they met in the Chamber, to proceed in the Scrutiny, a Dispute arose about the adding one *Cartwright* to Mr. *Davy*'s Poll; and thereupon Sheriff *Nall* said, He would declare Mr. *Davy* to be duly elected; which Mr. *Havers* protested against: That, afterwards, Mr. Sheriff *Nall*, and Mr. *Havers*, went into the Court, and Mr. Sheriff *Nall* declared Mr. *Clark* and Mr. *Davy* duly elected: That Mr. Sheriff *Havers*, though in Court, did not give his Assent to such Declaration; but disagreed to it; yet, notwithstanding, Mr. Sheriff *Nall* proceeded to prepare, and, with several others, to sign an Indenture for the Return of Mr. *Clark* and Mr. *Davy*; and offered the same to Mr. Sheriff *Havers* to sign; which Mr. *Havers* refused to sign.

And, upon this Fact, Mr. *Thacker*'s Counsel argued, That the Election was not well declared, nor the Return well made.

That the Question, as to *Cartwright*, was, Whether he came soon enough to be polled: And, as to that, Mr. *Havers*' Counsel called,

Mr. *Sam. Crombe*: Who gave an Account, That there was appointed a distinct Place, and a Book, for the taking each Candidate's Poll: That it was agreed, for the more certain concluding the Poll at the several Books, at the same time a certain Signal should be given for the shutting up the Books: That, an Hour and more before the Books were shut up, a Proclamation was made for all Persons to come and poll within an Hour: That they set their Watches; and that the Books were not shut up till 2 or 3 Minutes after the Hour expired; and, after the Books were shut up, Mr. *Cartwright* came to Mr. *Davy*'s Poll, and desired to be polled for him:

That then Mr. *Thacker*'s Counsel, who were the same Persons retained by Mr. *Havers*, proceeded to the Merits of the Election: And Mr. *Thacker*'s Counsel insisted, That their Client had the Majority of qualified Votes.

Upon the Poll there were,

For Mr. <i>Davy</i>	-	-	-	1,042.
For Mr. <i>Thacker</i>	-	-	-	1,041.

That

That the First Sort of Persons Mr. *Thacker's* Counsel excepted to, and gave Evidence against, was to Four Persons who were Minors:

The next Head of Exception was to such as had polled as Freemen, and could not be found in the Freemen's Books:

And they gave Evidence against 88 Persons, on that Account; and to Two, as having polled twice:

That they also excepted to, and gave Evidence against, 18 others, as living in Hospitals, or receiving Parish Relief, which they call Collection.

That Mr. *Davy* the Sitting Member's Counsel first applied themselves to answer what was objected to as to the Matter of the Return; and then to make out their Majority on the Poll:

And, in Point of Law, Mr. *Kendall*, of Counsel with the Sitting Member, insisted, That, where there are Two Sheriffs, the Act of one would bind the other; and that the Writ being indorsed in the Name of both Sheriffs, and that by one who was not only One of the High Sheriffs, but had all along acted for both in the Execution of the Office of Sheriff, this was a good Return in Law.

But as to the Fact of the Declaration of the Election, and what related to Mr. *Cartwright*, and the Scrutiny, Mr. *Davy's* Counsel called several Witnesses:

Mr. *Robert Snell*, Mr. *Nic. Hewys*, Mr. *Tho. Palgrave*: The Substance of whose Evidence was, That they were in the Hall at the time Mr. Sheriff *Nall* declared the Election, and were so near, that, if Mr. Sheriff *Havers* had made any publick Protestation against it, they must have heard it; and they did not hear Mr. *Havers* make any Protestation against the Declaration of the Election by Sheriff *Nall*: It was acknowledged, That a Scrutiny was demanded, and granted; but it went off, upon a Dispute of putting down Mr. *Cartwright's* Name upon the Poll; it having been agreed the Day before, that Mr. *Cartwright's* Name should be put down on Mr. *Davy's* Poll, subject to Scrutiny in point of Right; but not in point of Time: And, the next Day, when the Scrutiny was to have begun, Mr. *Thacker's* Friends went off from what they had agreed to the Day before: And thereupon Mr. Sheriff *Nall* said, If they could not agree at the Beginning, it was to no Purpose to go on with the Scrutiny; but he would declare the Election according to the Majority; which accordingly he did, as is said before, Mr. *Havers* standing by him; and did not, to their Hearing, contradict it: That, after the Declaration, an Indenture of Return was prepared, and signed by Mr. *Nall*, in Court, and offered to Mr. Sheriff *Havers* to sign; which he did not absolutely refuse to do; but took Time to consider of it: And Mr. *Hewys* said, That, after Mr. *Nall* had declared the Election, Mr. *Havers* said, He could not be against that Declaration.

That Mr. *Davy's* Counsel admitted the Four Minors, excepted to by the Petitioner.

That the next Thing Mr. *Davy's* Counsel proceeded on was, to justify such Votes as had been excepted to by the Petitioner.

And the first Head they called to, was that of Freemen:

And they gave Evidence to the Justification of 55, as entered in the Freemen's Books, or Freeholders; and Four others, they said, had been disqualified upon another Head:

That, as to the Evidence given to disqualify several of Mr. *Davy's* Voters, as receiving Charity; Mr. *Davy's* Counsel insisted, That it was not any concluding Evidence, because they did not produce the Books.

That then Mr. *Davy's* Counsel proceeded to make several Exceptions to Mr. *Thacker's* Voters:

And the First Head of Exception was, to such as were made free after the Teste of the Writ:

And, by the Freemen's Books, it appeared, That Six-and-thirty, named in Mr. *Thacker's* Poll, had been made free after the Teste of the Writ:

That they also gave Evidence, That Three Persons, who polled for Mr. *Thacker*, were Minors.

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That a Question being started, Whether those Men, who were made free after the Teste of the Writ, and excepted to by Mr. *Davy*, had a Right to vote; the Committee came to this Resolution:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That such Persons, as had a Right to their Freedom in the City of *Norwich* before the Teste of the Writ, and took out their Freedom after the said Teste, not having demanded the same before the said Teste, had not a Right to vote in the last Election of Citizens to serve in this present Parliament for the said City.

That the next Head of Exception to Mr. *Thacker's* Voters were, such as voted as Freemen, and could not be found in the Freemen's Books: And

Mr. *Hewys* said, He had searched the Books, and could not find 83 Persons, that voted for Mr. *Thacker*, in the Freemen's Books.

That the next Head of Exception was to Hospital-men:

And they gave Evidence to Eleven Persons, who voted for Mr. *Thacker*, that were Hospital-men:

That they also shewed, that 33 Persons were named twice, or oftener, in the Poll.

But, as to that, it was answered, and admitted, That there were all of those Names, except Five, several Freemen in *Norwich*.

That they also excepted to, and proved by the Book, That 21 Persons, named in Mr. *Thacker's* Poll, received Collection.

That then Mr. *Thacker's* Counsel were heard by way of Reply:

And that they allowed the Three Minors excepted to by Mr. *Davy's* Counsel:

That, as to the 83 Persons, excepted to by Mr. *Davy's* Counsel, as not being found in the Freemen's Books, they justified 51 of them: And, as to Three others, it was said, They polled for Mr. *Davy*, as well as Mr. *Thacker*.

That the Counsel for Mr. *Thacker* were then admitted to give Evidence of such as polled for Mr. *Davy*, and were made free after the Teste of the Writ: And 14 were allowed to be made free after the Teste of the Writ: They also shewed several others, named in Mr. *Davy's* Poll, who, or some of the same Name, were made free after the Teste of the Writ.

But, to answer that, on the other Side, they shewed several of the same Name, made free long before the Teste of the Writ.

That it is to be taken Notice of, that there seem to be, in the Poll, several Misnomers; which made the Evidence of qualifying and disqualifying Votes the more uncertain.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to this Resolution:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Robert Davy* Esquire is duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Norwich*.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn* also, according to Order, reported from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Election for the Borough of *Calne*, in the County of *Wilts*; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

That the Committee have examined the Matter of the double Return for *Calne*; and also the Merits of the Election upon the several Petitions of Sir *Charles Hedges* Knight, and *Edw. Baynton* Esquire:

That the Right of Election is in the ancient Burgesses: The Right of Return is in the Two Stewards: The senior Steward has the Custody of the Seal; and the junior the Custody of the Book:

That

Calne  
Election.

That the senior Steward voted for Mr. *Bainton*; and put the Common Seal to his Return:

That the junior Steward voted for Sir *Cha. Hedges*; whose Return is under the Hands and Seal of the said Steward and Burgesses:

That the Numbers upon the Poll were equal; viz. Eight for Sir *Charles Hedges*, and Eight for Mr. *Bainton*.

Mr. *Richard Seagre* delivered in to the Committee the Poll at the last Election; and said, That he, and the senior Bailiff, had equal Power; and that the Precept for this Election was delivered to him, and he gave a Receipt for it; and that he himself proclaimed the Day of this last Election; and his Partner joined with him.

That it was insisted by Sir *Cha. Hedges*' Counsel, That some indirect Practices had been used to gain Votes for Mr. *Bainton*: And they examined some Witnesses:

*Tho. Fowler* gave an Account, That *Stephen Blake*, One of the Voters for Mr. *Bainton*, was at *London* at the time of the Dissolution, and came home to *Calne* on *Wednesday* before the Election: That he did not stay at home; but went to Mr. *Haskins*'s, who was the Steward that returned Mr. *Bainton*, and kept a Publick-house; and there was kept by Force: He acknowledged he had a Warrant to arrest the said *Blake*; but, he said, *Weeks* the Attorney had promised him he should not be arrested till the Election was over: *Fowler* said also, That *Haskins* solicited Votes for Mr. *Bainton*:

He also said, that, upon Discourse with *Walter Doleman*, and another Man, who was a Carpenter, before the Election preceding this last, they declared, They would not be for Mr. *Bainton*, but on account that he would get their Debts paid, which were owing from a Kinsman of Mr. *Bainton*'s: And *Doleman*, before the Dissolution of last Parliament, said, He had received 50 *l.* the Remainder of his Debt.

*Tim. Seager* said, That, after the Dissolution of the last Parliament, *Blake* said, He would be for Sir *Charles Hedges*, and make what Interest he could for him.

*Rich. Seager* said, That, since the Dissolution of the last Parliament, he went to *Walter Doleman*, and desired his Vote for Mr. *Chivers*; and *Doleman* answered, That Mr. *Bainton* had paid him all his Money, and he would be for him: That he was invited by Mr. *Haskins*, on the Election-day, to Dinner; and told, It should cost him nothing: And that Mr. *Bainton* was there upon several Days.

*John Landrick* said, That, the Election before this Mr. *Haskins* bid him look into a Paper in the Window, and there was Ten Guineas; and, if he would vote for Mr. *Bainton*, he should have them: He said, He did see Guineas there; but could not tell how many.

That it appeared also, That *Blake* was, after he came down, at *Norman*'s, One of Mr. *Bainton*'s Voters, at the drinking a Bowl of Punch.

That the Counsel for Mr. *Bainton* insisted, That the Returns had been all along made under the Common Seal: And they called some Witnesses:

Mr. *Haskins* said, That he had known *Calne* 40 Years, and Four or Five Elections; and that the Returns were always made by the senior Steward: That *Blake*, when he came from *London*, went first to his own House on the *Wednesday*; but, hearing there were Writs out against him, sent to him the next Day, to advise with him; and, on the next Day, being *Friday*, came to his House, to be safe: That there was 100 *l.* Action against him: That Mr. *Bainton*'s Friends, who came to see him, paid their Club; and *Blake* himself paid for what he had at his House:

He said, That the Town have 150 *l.* at Interest, which Interest is given among poor Tradesmen; and that one *Landrick*, who voted for Sir *Cha. Hedges*, received some of that Money; but he could not say it was the last Year.

*Blake* himself, being examined, said, He was, *Friday*, *Saturday*, and *Sunday* Nights at *Haskins*'s, and paid for what he had: He said, There was no Force upon him; but he understood there was a Writ against him at Sir

*Hungerford*'s Suit; and was at Mr. *Haskins*'s, because he was afraid of an Arrest: And denied he promised to be for Sir *Charles Hedges* before he went down: He said, The Head Stewards commonly made the Return, and, in the Town-business, had a casting Voice.

That they produced the Precept the last Election, which was to the Steward in the single Number: And the Under Sheriff said, The Reason was, he did not know, There were two Stewards.

To answer which, on behalf of Sir *Cha. Hedges*, were produced Three Returns;

14 Feb. 31 Car. 2di.

3 Feb. 33 Car. 2di.

21 Feb. 33 Car. 2di.

The Indentures of which said several Returns were between the Sheriff and both Stewards.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions:

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That Sir *Charles Hedges* is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Calne*, in the County of *Wilts*.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Edw. Bainton* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the said Borough of *Calne*.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Resolved, That the said Election for the Borough of *Calne* is a void Election.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Calne*, in the County of *Wilts*, in the place of Sir *Charles Hedges* Knight, and *Edward Bainton* Esquire; whose Election, upon their double Return, is declared to be void.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom was committed, be made To-morrow Morning. Publick Accounts.

Ordered, That Mr. *Renda*, Mr. *Jennings*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Vincent*, Mr. *Blake*, Mr. *Bridges*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the River *Cham*, alias *Grant*, more navigable, from *Clayhith*, in the County of *Cambridge*, unto *King's Mills*, in the University and Town of *Cambridge*, is committed. Cham Navigation.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 13<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

Anno 1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Reginae.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Mayor, Aldermen, capital Burgesses, and chief Inhabitants, of the Borough of *Sudbury*, in the County of *Suffolk*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are very much oppressed, by Reason of the Poor of the said Town; they at present paying Ten Shillings in the Pound for their Relief; and that the Charge is like to increase, by the Decay of Trade there: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the erecting a Workhouse, or Workhouses, for employing the poor of the said Town. Sudbury Workhouse.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that the Earl of *Dysert*, Sir *Samuel Barnardiston*, and Sir *Gerr. Elwes*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Petition of Sir *Arthur Owen* Baronet, in the Behalf, and at the Request, of the Commissioners, and of a great Number Land Tax.

Number of the Freeholders and Inhabitants within the Two Hundreds of *Turkelin* and *Maltraeth*, in the County of *Anglesea*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Two Hundreds paid their full Proportions of a Land Tax granted in the Eleventh and Twelfth Year of his late Majesty's Reign: But *John Owen* Esquire, and other Commissioners in the other Parts of the said County, being the greater Number, in Ease of the Hundreds of *Tyndathwy*, *Menay*, and *Tellebollion*, in the said County, where they live, have surcharged the Hundred of *Turkelin* with Forty-six Pounds Seven Shillings and Nine-pence; and *Maltraeth* with Thirty-nine Pounds Twelve Shillings; and levied the same with all Severity: Of which the Petitioners complained to the said other Commissioners; who, instead of relieving them, upon a subsequent Act in the Twelfth and Thirteenth *Wilhelmi Tertii* for a Land Tax, they charged the Hundred of *Turkelin* with Sixty-nine Pounds Eleven Shillings and Eight-pence; and *Maltraeth* with Fifty-nine Pounds Eight Shillings and Three Halfpence, more than their full Proportions, according to the said Act; in Ease of the said Three Hundreds, and the Oppression of the Petitioners: And praying Relief in the Premises.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, is committed.

Selling Lands  
in Whit-  
church.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, in the Parish of *Whitchurch*, in the County of *Chester*, in Trustees, to be sold for paying off the Incumbrances charged thereon; and for other Uses therein mentioned; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Meredith's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for enabling Sir *William Meredith* Baronet, to sell Part of a capital Messuage, Lands, and Hereditaments, herein after-mentioned, in *Ashley*, in the County of *Chester*; he having settled other Lands and Tenements in lieu thereof; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Earl of *Dysert*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Sir *Tho. Froth*, Mr. *Moore*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Gulston*, Sir *John Bolles*, Sir *John Phillips*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Cesar*, Mr. *Proby*, Sir *Row. Gwyn*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Robert Fagg*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Sir *Arth. Owen*, Mr. *Leigh*, Mr. *Dowdswell*, Mr. *Jacob*, Mr. *Fagg*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Owen*, Sir *Edw. Norreys*, Mr. *Phillips*, Mr. *Gwyn*; and all that serve for *North Wales* and *Lancashire*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Baroness of  
Upper Ossory's Relief.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cotton*, Lord *Chency*, Mr. *Fortescue*, Lord *Hyde*, Mr. *Cowper*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *Thyn*, Mr. *King*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, is committed.

Exporting  
Copper.

A Petition of divers of the Copper-miners, Owners and Proprietors of the Copper-works, Copper-mills, Braisiers, and others concerned in, and depending upon, the Copper Manufacture within this Kingdom, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by an Act made in the Ninth and Tenth Years of his late Majesty's Reign, for settling the Trade to *Africa*, a Drawback of the Duties upon all Copper Bars, foreign, shall be granted upon Exportation thereof: Which Act passed without a Hearing of the Petitioners, who were greatly concerned to oppose the same; but a Clause being brought in for the Purpose aforesaid, after the Bill was committed, the Petitioners had not timely Notice thereof; the said Drawback being very prejudicial to the *English* Copper Manufacture, which now is sufficient for our own Con-

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sumption, and a foreign Trade also, in as great Perfection, and as cheap, as any foreign Copper Manufactures: And praying, That the Clause, in the said Act, for the Exportation of foreign Copper in Bars, and the Drawback of the Duties thereon, may be repealed.

And the said Clause being read;

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Freeman*, and Mr. *Manley*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction, That they do take care to regulate the Price of Copper.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported to the House, That their Address having been presented to her Majesty, That her Majesty would please to bestow some Dignity in the Church upon Dr. *Francis Gastrell*, Chaplain to this House; her Majesty was pleased to answer, That she would bestow some Dignity in the Church upon him, as desired.

Answer to  
Address.

A Petition of the Mayor, Bailiffs, Aldermen, and capital Burgesses, of the Borough of *Dorchester*, in the County of *Dorset*, and of the Governor, Freemen, and Inhabitants, thereof, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Borough is very populous, and daily abounds in Poor, by reason of the Decay of the Clothing Trade there; and the younger Sort of People, who are able to work, are grown very unruly, for want of some Law to compel them thereto: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the erecting an Hospital and Workhouse for employing the Poor of the said Borough.

Dorchester  
Workhouse.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Nappier*, Colonel *Strangways*, and Sir *William Ashurst*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Bill for the more effectual Punishment of Felons, and their Accessories, was read the First time.

Punishing  
Felons.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be read a Second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Hen. Dutt. Colt*, } 104.  
                                  { Mr. *Pitfield*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Offley*, } 113.  
                                  { Mr. *Cary*: }

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Produce of the Funds last Year, comprised in an Act of the last Parliament, intituled, An Act for appropriating Three thousand Seven hundred Pounds weekly, out of certain Branches of Excise, for publick Uses; and for making a Provision for the Service of his Majesty's Household and Family, and other necessary Occasions; be laid before this House: And that the same be done by Mr. *Lowndes*.

Civil List  
Funds.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for explaining a Clause in an Act, made at the Parliament begun, and holden at *Westminster*, the Twenty-second of November, in the Seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King *William* the Third, intituled, An Act for the better Security of his Majesty's Person and Government, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

Explaining  
7 W. III.  
for Security  
of King's  
Person.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Lord *Corningsby*, Sir *Henry Pickering*, Mr. *Etterick*, Sir *John Cotton*, Colonel *Bierly*, Mr. *Methwin*, Sir *Hen. Burnaby*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Foley*, Lord *Powlet*, Sir *John Bland*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Sir *John Parsons*, Sir *William Drake*, Mr. *Bromley*, Marquis *Hartington*, Sir *John Mordant*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Lampton*, Mr. *Compton*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Mr. *Barrell*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Cox*, Lord *Spencer*, Mr. *Lloyd*, Sir *Tho. Powys*, Mr. *Stanhope*, Mr. *Manley*, Mr. *Goring*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*; and all the

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Gentlemen



Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do take care to make the said Bill extend to *Ireland*, and the Plantations.

Publick  
Accounts.

Sir *Joseph Jekill*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom was committed, the Amendments which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read once throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House: And other Amendments were made, by the House, to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Resolved*, That the Number of the Commissioners to execute the said Act be Seven.

*Resolved*, That no Person be a Commissioner, who hath any Office of Profit, or is accountable to her Majesty.

*Resolved*, That the said Commissioners be Members of this House.

*Resolved*, That the said Commissioners be chosen by way of Balloting.

*Ordered*, That the Members of this House do, upon *Tuesday* next, at Twelve a Clock, prepare Lists, to be put into Glasses, of Seven Persons Names, to be Commissioners in the Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

Earl Thomond's  
Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Right Honourable Lady *Henrietta O'Brien*, Mother and Guardian of the Right Honourable *Hen. Earl of Thomond*, an Infant, to make Leases of his Estate in *Ireland*, for the Discharging of Incumbrances thereon, and a Charge of 4,000*l.* for his Sister's Portion: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House: And also,

Tempest's  
Estate.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to vest several Lands and Tenements, in the County of *York*, in Trustees, to be sold for the Raising of a Portion for *Henrietta Tempest*, an Infant: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House: And also,

Rose's  
Estate.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for confirming the Title of *Thomas Rose* Gentleman, to Lands called *Rempstone*, and for Sale of Lands called *Carrant's Court*, in the County of *Dorset*, for Payment of the Debts of *William Rose* Gentleman, deceased; and for settling the Manor of *Cheddar Fitz-Walters*, in the County of *Somerset*, with the Overplus on the said Sale, on *Mary Rose*, an Infant, Daughter of the said *William*, in lieu of 3,000*l.* Portion for the said Infant: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Statute of  
Mortmain.

*Ordered*, That the adjourned Debate of Yesterday, touching the Statute of Mortmain, be further adjourned until *Monday* Morning next.

Jews  
Protestant  
Children.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Ministers, Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, and principal Inhabitants, of the respective Parishes of *St. Andrew Undershaft*, *St. Buttolph's Bishopsgate*, *St. Buttolph's Aldgate*, *St. Catharine Creed Church*, *St. Catharine Coleman*, and *St. James Duke's-place*, in the City of *London*; praying, That a Bill may be brought in to oblige *Jacob Mendez de Breta* in particular, and the Jews in general, to maintain and provide for their Protestant Children, was referred; be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

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The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Motion made Yesterday, for a Supply to be granted to her Majesty, for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown, being read;

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of her Majesty's Speech be referred to the said Committee.

And then the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House being informed, That there was a Difference in the Committee, who should take the Chair thereof;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Colonel *Granville* do take the Chair of the Committee;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Bromley, } 179.  
                                  { Mr. Hele: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Pershall, } 154.  
                                  { Mr. Ash: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House resolved itself again into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to a Resolution; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Supply Bill; Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the said Bill; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Manwaring*, Sir *Michael Biddolph*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Lambton*, Mr. *Vane*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Encouragement of an Invention for damasking, striking, raising, embossing, and fixing, various Colours on all Sorts of Stuffs, and Cloth, is committed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati*, 14<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

Anno 1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Regiæ.

PRAYERS.

MR. Cox reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for vesting the Estate of *William Mathews* Gentleman, and *Cath.* his Wife, in Trustees, to be sold for the Purposes therein mentioned, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations in the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned



concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Wiredrawers  
Trade.

Mr. *Vernon* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for continuing and amending the Act, made in the Ninth and Tenth Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for settling and adjusting the Proportions of fine Silver, and Silk, for the better Making of Silver and Gold Thread; and to prevent the Abuses of Wire-drawers; was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some Amendments to some of them, except Clause C, agreed unto by the House.

Clause C, That no Refiner shall sell any Gold or Silver Wire, before the same is assayed, and marked by the Assay-master of Goldsmiths Company, *London*, under a Forfeiture:

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

A Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, for the same Purpose, instead of the said Clause C.

The same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

And other Amendments were made, by the House, to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Countess of  
Tyrconnell's  
Relief.

Sir *Thomas Littleton* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Frances* Countess Dowager of *Tyrconnell*, the Relict of *Richard* Earl of *Tyrconnell*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, deceased, was committed, that they had considered the Petition of the Countess of *Roscommon*, to them referred; and pursued the Instructions from the House; and made some Amendments to the Bill; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read once throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Baroness of  
Upper Ossory's  
Relief.

Sir *Thomas Littleton* also reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had pursued the Instructions from the House; and had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Cockermouth  
Election.

A Petition of *James Stanhope* Esquire was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, at the last Election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Cockermouth*, *Com' Cumberland*, in

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the room of *Goodwin Wharton* Esquire, the Petitioner, and *Thomas Lamplough* Esquire, stood Candidates: That the Right of Election is in such only as hold by Burgage Tenure; and, if such Burgage Estate be split or divided, yet there is only a Right for one Vote for such Estate: But *Michael Hodgson*, Bailiff of the said Borough, did poll several who claimed by divided Estates, and others who had no Right; whereby, and by other illegal Practices, Mr. *Lamplough* hath procured himself to be returned, in Prejudice of the Petitioner, and the Rights of the said Borough: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and Relief therein.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Petition of *Thomas Holmden*, and *Mary* his Wife, and *Richard Short*, and *Eliz.* his Wife, Administrators *de Bonis non*, &c. with the Will annexed of *Antony Smith*, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are intitled to an Incumbrance chargeable upon the Office of Warden of the *Fleet* Prison, and the Estate thereunto belonging, for 425*l.* and Interest, which has been saved to the Petitioners by several Acts of Parliament: That there is a Bill in the House for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, wherein there is no Saving Clause for the Petitioners: And praying, That they may have a Saving Clause in this Bill, as they had in former Acts of Parliament.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Sir *Thomas Powis*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of Colonel *Henry Lutterell*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received.

Sir *Charles Hedges*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Mary Vernon*: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, was committed, be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Colonel *Granville*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of the Motion for the Supply to be granted to her Majesty, for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown, the Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That a Supply be granted to her Majesty, for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Supply be granted to her Majesty, for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply to be granted to her Majesty, for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and the Honour and Dignity of the Crown.

Mr.

Civil List  
Funds.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House, an Account of the neat Produce of the Civil List Funds for One intire Year, from the Twenty-fifth of December One thousand Seven hundred exclusive, to the

Twenty-fifth of December One thousand Seven hundred and One inclusive.

And the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
Hereditary Excise	212,061	13	5½
Post Office	75,127	14	8
First Fruits	3,746	4	4
Tenths of the Clergy	12,340	0	0
Fines for Alienations	3,672	13	5½
The Post Fines	2,276	0	0
Revenue of Wine Licences, per Estimation	8,000	0	0
Sheriffs Proffers	1,061	17	6½
Compositions in the Exchequer	18	7	0
Seizures of uncustomed and prohibited Goods	32,567	10	8
Revenue of the Duchy of <i>Cornwall</i>	8,727	4	5
Land Revenue within the Principality of <i>Wales</i>	4,543	4	5½
Fines of Leases, and Rents of other Lands, paid into the Exchequer within the same Year	173	8	4
The Duty of 4½ per Centum in Specie, from <i>Barbadoes</i> , and the <i>Leeward Islands</i>	19,025	4	10
	383,241	3	2½
	£.	s.	d.
Temporary Excise	212,061	13	5½
The additional Subsidy of Tonage and Poundage	306,520	7	9
	518,582	1	2½
	In all		
	901,823	4	5½
	192,400	0	0
	709,423	4	5½

*Memorandum*: The said Branches of Excise are liable to a Payment of 3,700*l.* a Week for Five Years, to repay 820,000*l.* borrowed, and the Interest thereof; which weekly Payments, if computed for One Year, do amount to

*Memorandum*: During the said Year, there was an extraordinary Importation of Merchandizes, liable to the said Subsidy, in Expectation of a War; which cannot be hoped for in another Year, though the Peace should continue, much less after a War begins: And that the Produce of Seizures, in the said Year, was increased above 20,000*l.* more than usual, upon Occasion of *French Wines* from *St. Sebastian*: And this Account, by Order of this Honourable House, is humbly presented by

*Wm. Lowndes.*

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Account be referred to the said Committee.

Masters of  
Hoys carry-  
ing Provi-  
sions.

A Petition of the Collector, Comptroller, Surveyor General, and other Officers of her Majesty's Customs, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in the House for the Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other Inland Provisions to the City of *London*; which will occasion great Frauds in the Customs, and also take away the Petitioners small Fees, established by Act of Parliament: And praying, That they may be heard what they have to object against the said Bill.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that the Committee do sit again, and hear the Petitioners, and examine the Matter of the said Petition; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

Appreese's  
Estate.

Sir *Edward Hussey* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable *Robert Appreese* the elder, and *Robert Appreese* the younger, to raise Money out of their Estate, for Payment of a Debt due to her Majesty, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into Consideration upon *Monday Morning*.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for

regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*, being read;

A Petition of *Samuel Lethelier*, *John Denew*, *Wm. Richardson*, and *Simon Lebland*, on the behalf of themselves, and very many other Merchants in *England*, and in foreign Parts, Freighters and Insurers in the *Cloudsly Gally*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in One thousand Six hundred Ninety-nine, *John Holder*, of *London*, Merchant, sent Two Ships, viz. the *Cloudsly Gally*, and the *Holder Frigate*, on a Voyage for *Cadiz*; and the Gally received a rich Cargo for the Petitioners, consigned to divers Places up the *Streights*; and took in, at *Cadiz*, many Thousand Pounds Value in Plate, belonging to Foreigners, to be carried, on Freight, for other Parts: And afterwards, by the Contrivance of *Holder*, and other his Accomplices, all the Goods and Plate were taken out of the Gally at Sea, and put on board the said other Ship, which attended her in the Voyage for that Purpose; and then the said Gally was wilfully set on Fire, and burnt, by *Robert Acres*, the Mate thereof: That this evil Practice tends to the Discredit of the *English* Traders, and Navigation in general, and the Petitioners great Injury: That *Holder* had borrowed on Bottomry, and insured on the said Ship, here and abroad, to the Amount of above 40,000*l.*; and lately became a Prisoner in the *Fleet* for Debt, where he was charged by Warrant from the Lord Chief Justice *Holt*, before whom the said Contrivance was sworn; a Copy whereof is annexed to the Petition; since which he hath, or may escape from the said Prison, having his Liberty: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and Relief therein.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Heathcot*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Sir *Jos. Jekill*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Lord *Chemie*, Sir

Holder's  
Escape from  
Fleet Prison.



he absconding, and sheltering himself in privileged Places; and now they are proceeding to outlaw him, which will be done the next Term: But there being a Bill in the House for the Settlement of Lands and Hereditaments of Sir *Tho. Stanley*, for his Family's Benefit; and to enable him, in lieu thereof, to charge his Estate for the Payment of his Debts; the said Mayor and Citizens will thereby be in Danger of losing their said Debt, unless some Provision be made in the said Bill, for securing the same: And praying, That they may be heard against the said Bill; or that some Provision may be made therein for Payment of the said Debt.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Stanley's  
Estate.

A Petition of *Peter Rudge* and *James Pollet*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That Sir *Tho. Stanley* Baronet is indebted to the Petitioners, by Two several Judgments, in 132 *l.* and 120 *l.* entered up in *Michaelmas Term* 1699: And there being a Bill in the House for the Settlement of Land and Hereditaments of the said Sir *Tho. Stanley*, for his Family's Benefit; and to enable him, in lieu thereof, to charge his Estate for the Payment of his Debts; the Petitioners are advised, that, in case the said Bill should pass, as it is now drawn, they will be in Danger to lose their said Debts: And praying, That a Clause may be inserted in the said Bill for the Security of the Petitioners said Debts.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Stone's  
Estate.

A Petition of *John Stone* Esquire the elder, and of *Carleton, John*, and *Richard Stone*, his Sons, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner *John Stone* the elder, upon the Marriage of his Son *Carleton*, made a Settlement of his Estate, Part upon himself for Life, Part upon *Carleton* for Life; Remainder, in Tail Male, on his Issue, as to the Whole; Remainder to the Petitioners his other Sons, in like manner charged with 500 *l.* per Annum to the now Wife of *Carleton*, to whom he has been married above Twenty-five Years, and has no Issue by her, nor is like to have any; in respect whereof, *John* the Father, and *Carleton* his Son, are willing, for the Benefit of their Family and Name, to make some Alterations of the said Settlement, for the Advantage of the Petitioners the younger Sons; which all the Petitioners have agreed unto; but are advised the same cannot be done without an Act of Parliament: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for the more effectual Settlement of the Petitioners Estate, for the Benefit of their Family and Name.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Robert Jenkinson* and Mr. *Jennens* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Hind's  
Estate.

A Petition of *William Murray* Esquire, Executor of the last Will of Mrs. *Anne Nott*, lately deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Bill depending in the House for enabling Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Houses, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for Payment of the Debts of *John Hind*, late of *London*, Goldsmith; which Bill will be much to the Prejudice of the Petitioner, and several others concerned in the Estate of the said *Anne Nott*, if the same should pass as it is now brought in: And praying to be heard, by Counsel, before the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; and the

Reports thereupon: And that the Trustees in Town do then attend this House.

Mr. *Dolben* presented to the House, according to Lord Montjoy's Relief, a Bill for the Relief of *William Lord Viscount Montjoy*: And the same was received.

Sir *Thomas Hales* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Warner Lee*, alias *Warner*, to make a Jointure, upon his Marriage, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned therein had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were twice read; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Press 2d, L. 48. leave out the Word "King's," and insert the Word "Queen's."

L. 50. leave out the Word "her."

Press 3d, L. 27. leave out the Word "Lord," and insert the Word "Lady;" and leave out the Word "King," and, instead thereof, insert "Queen."

Line 28. leave out the Word "his," and, instead thereof, insert the Word "her."

*Ordered*, that Sir *John Packington*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Jennens*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Renda*, Mr. *Pagit*, Mr. *Drake*, Sir *John Parsons*, Mr. *Blaake*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Weston*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Lambton*, Mr. *Yard*, Lord *Chenie*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Nicholson*, Mr. *Yates*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, is committed.

Baroness of  
Upper  
Ossory's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable the Right Honourable Lady *Henrietta O'Brien*, Mother and Guardian of the Right Honourable *Henry* Earl of *Thomond*, an Infant, to make Leases of his Estate in *Ireland*, for the Discharging of Incumbrances thereon; and of a Charge of Four thousand Pounds, for his Sister's Portion; was read the First time.

Earl  
Thomond's  
Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. *Gery*, and Mr. *Rogers*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting in Trustees the Estate of Sir *William Powell* Baronet, deceased, for raising Portions for the younger Children of Sir *John Williams* and Dame *Mary* his Wife, Daughter of the said Sir *William Powell*; and to enable *William Williams*, their eldest Son, to make a Jointure to such Wife as he shall marry: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House: And also,

Powell's  
Estate.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Trustees of *John Hunt* Esquire, deceased, to sell Timber, for the Payment of his Debts and Legacies: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

Hunt's  
Estate.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Sir *Robert Clayton*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Ministers, Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, and principal Inhabitants, of the respective Parishes of *St. Andrew Undershaft*, *St. Buttolph's Bishopsgate*, *St. Buttolph's Aldgate*, *St. Catharine Creed Church*, *St. Catharine Coleman*, and *St. James Duke's Place*, in the City of *London*; praying, That a Bill may be brought in to oblige *Jacob Mendez de Breta*, in particular, and the Jews in general, to maintain, and provide for, their Protestant Children, was referred; the Matter, as it appeared to them; and the

Jews  
Protestant  
Children.

Resolutions



Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

That it appeared to the Committee, upon the Examination of several Witnesses, That *Mary Mendez de Breta* is the Daughter of *Jacob Mendez de Breta*, a Jew Merchant, living in the Parish of *St. Andrew Undershaft*; and that, upon her being baptized and converted to the Christian Faith, the said *Jacob* her Father disowns her for his Child, and refuses to allow her any Maintenance; so that the Parish of *St. Andrew Undershaft*, in Compassion to her deplorable Condition, have, since her embracing the Christian Faith, allowed her a Maintenance, suitable to her Quality and Degree.

To prove which, several Persons of very good Repute, Inhabitants of the said Parish of *St. Andrew Undershaft*, and the other Parishes in the Petition mentioned, were examined; viz.

*Mary Mendez de Breta* said, That she is about Eighteen Years of Age, and was born at *Sevill* in *Spain*; and that *Jacob Mendez de Breta*, her Father, lived with her Mother Eleven Years as her Husband, and had several other Children by her said Mother: That, soon after her Father came into *England*, he sent for her from *Spain*, and always owned her for his Child; and that he kept her in very decent Habit, provided plentifully for her, sent her to the Dancing School, and allowed her an Education suitable to his Degree and Quality: That she, being convinced of her Error by living in the Jewish Religion, hath lately embraced the Christian Faith; and was, about the Month of May last, baptized by Mr. *Thorold*, a Minister of the Church of *England*; since which, her Father, Mr. *Jacob Mendez de Breta*, disowns her for his Child; and now, and for some time past, refuses to allow her any Maintenance; and that she never was disowned till after her Conversion:

That, being afraid of her Father's Anger, she applied herself to Sir *Tho. Abney*, then Lord Mayor of *London*, for Protection; who ordered the Churchwardens of *St. Andrew Undershaft* to provide for her; and that she has been ever since very decently maintained at the Charge of the said Parish:

That her said Father, refusing to allow her a Maintenance, was bound over to the Sessions at *Guildhall*; and there the Justices made an Order for him to allow her 20 s. a Week for her Maintenance; but the said Order was set aside by the Court of King's Bench, as she is informed.

Mr. *Shelton*, of *St. James Duke's Place*, said, That he is a near Neighbour to the said Mr. *Jacob Mendez de Breta*; and has known the said *Mary* his Daughter from a Child: That she was always clothed very well, like a Merchant's Daughter; and ever taken, esteemed, and called, as his Daughter.

Mr. *Thorold*, a Minister of the Church of *England*, said, That, after he had examined the said *Mary Mendez de Breta*, and being fully convinced of the Sincerity of her Conversion, did, by Direction of the Lord Archbishop of *Canterbury*, baptize her; and that, as he was performing his Function, a Person, unknown to him, but supposed to be a Jew by his Complexion, came into the Church, and, observing what was done, and being enraged thereat, swore and cursed, and wished the Church might fall, and they . . . buried in the Ruins thereof: Whereupon Endeavours were made to apprehend him; but he made his Escape.

Mr. *Mason*, of *St. Andrew Undershaft*, at whose House the said *Mary Mendez de Breta* hath lodged ever since she hath been baptized, said, That the said *Mary* is a Person of a modest Behaviour, and, as he verily believes, a devout Christian; and that she hath constantly attended upon Divine Service.

Mr. *Franshaw*, a very noted Jew, being examined concerning the Temper and Disposition of the said *Jacob Mendez de Breta*, said, That he is a very choleric and troublesome Person.

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Mr. *Adams* said, That *Mary Mendez de Breta* was arrested some time since for some Stuff Cloaths that she had before she came from her Father, in order to oppress her, as he believes, by the Contrivance of her said Father, by reason of her Conversion.

Mr. *Wiggins* said, That there was great Precaution used to prevent Mr. *Jacob Mendez de Breta*'s seizing the said *Mary* his Daughter; which, they feared, was intended, in order to send her beyond Sea, or otherwise misuse her.

Mrs. *Duncombe* said, That she hath been very conversant in Mr. *Jacob de Mendez*' Family for Eleven Years past; and that the said *Mary* was owned, esteemed, and ever taken, as his Daughter.

Mrs. *Micclethwaite* declared to the same Effect; and that she hath seen the said *Mary* clothed as a Merchant's Daughter.

It appeared also to the Committee, by the Parish Books, That the said *Mary* was, from time to time, inserted therein; and that her said Father paid to the Poll Tax for her, as his Daughter.

Mr. *Bates* said, That Mr. *Jacob Mendez de Breta*, the very last Year, was a Collector of the Tax for Births and Burials; and that, in the same Book that the said *Jacob* was so nominated a Collector, he was therein charged for his said Daughter.

John *Rogers* Gentleman produced the Book of the Capitation Tax; wherein the said *Jacob Mendez de Breta* was assessed for 2,000 l.; and that, in the said Parish of *St. Andrew Undershaft*, the said *Jacob Mendez* is esteemed a Person worth 5 or 6,000 l. at least.

Mr. *Jacob Mendez de Breta*, being present, was admitted to answer to the Charge against him; and being asked by the Committee, Whether the said *Mary* was his Daughter, said, He could not tell: That he never cohabited with the said *Mary*'s Mother; nor ever had any other Wife than she he now has.

The said *Jacob Mendez*, being also asked, Whether the said *Mary Mendez* had any Brothers or Sisters, said, He knew not; but said, That the said *Mary*, with Two or Three more Children, were laid at his Door; and that he took them in, and maintained them, purely out of Charity.

The said Mr. *Mendez de Breta*, being further asked, How he came to own her for his Daughter, and suffer her to be entered in the Parish Books as such, said, That he never owned her for his Daughter; but used her as his Servant: That she never sat at Table with him; nor ever allowed her any other Cloaths but such as he allowed his other Servants: That if she was entered in the Poll or Capitation Tax, as his Daughter, it was without his Knowledge or Consent.

To prove which, he called several Witnesses; viz.

*Judith Pacheca*, a Jew, and Slave to Mr. *Mendez de Breta*, said, She had lived with him 14 Years as his Slave: That the said Mrs. *Mary Mendez* came to her Master's in *Portugal* a Year after he was married; and she always looked upon the said *Mary Mendez* as a Servant; and the said *Mary* lay with her, and wore such Cloaths as she did; and used to call Mr. *Jacob Mendez* Master; and there was no Difference made between the said *Mary* and the rest of the Servants.

*Mary Warwick* said, That she had known Mr. *Jacob Mendez de Breta* several Years; and used to call Mr. *Jacob Mendez* Master: That she was always looked upon as a Servant; and never sat at Table with Mr. *Mendez*, but with the other Servants.

*Eliz. Chichester* said to the same Effect.

But it appeared to the Committee, by the Testimony of Mr. *Joseph Bagshaw*, and several of the chief Inhabitants of the Parish of *St. Andrew Undershaft*, That the said *Mary Warwick* was a Person of very ill Repute, and of scandalous Life and Conversation.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions; viz.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That

Jews  
Protestant  
Children.



That the Petitioners have fully proved the Allegations contained in their said Petition.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the House be moved for Leave to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition, to oblige the Jews to maintain their Protestant Children: And that Sir Robert Clayton, Sir Thomas Powis, and Sir Rowland Gwyn, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Supply.

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Supply to be granted to her Majesty, for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown, being read;

A Petition of the Agents, Planters, and Merchants, concerned in, and trading to, the Island of *Barbadoes*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is a Duty of Four and an Half per Centum on the Commodities of the said Island, exported thence; which was granted by an Act of the said Island in September 1663, for the Reparation and Building of Fortifications, and defraying all other public Charges incident to the Government there; which has been collected by Officers appointed by the Commissioners of the Customs in *England*, and applied to other Uses; whereby the Fortifications are run very much out of Repair, and other publick necessary Works are unbuilt, and their Magazine unprovided; so that, in case of a War, the said Island, and all other the Sugar Plantations to Windward of *Jamaica*, would be in Danger of being lost, if an Enemy should attack it; which would be a vast Loss to *England*: And praying, That the said Duty of Four and an Half per Centum may be applied to the Uses for which it was given, in order to the Defence and Security of the said Island.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, to be considered by the House.

Then the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* reported from the said Committee, That they had come to several Resolutions; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Supply Bill;  
Subsidies and  
Land Tax.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned.

Duty on Sale  
of joint Stock  
Shares.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to Mr. *Lowndes* to make a Motion, for reading the Bill for laying a Duty upon buying and selling, or bargaining for, Shares in any joint Stocks of Corporations, it being near Three a Clock;

The Motion was accordingly made.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Privateers.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the better Encouragement of Privateers.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Martis, 17° die Martii;

Anno 1° Annæ Reginæ.

#### PRAYERS.

AN ingrossed Bill for vesting the Estate of *Richard Adams*, an Infant, in Trustees, for raising the Sum of Eight hundred Pounds, for the Maintenance and Portions of *William* and *Elizabeth Adams*, Infants, the Brother and Sister of the said *Richard*, pursuant to the Power reserved to *William Adams*, deceased, Father of the said Infants, in and by his Marriage Settlement, and not executed by him in his Life-time, was read the Third time.

And an Amendment was proposed to be made;

Press 6. L. 18. to leave out "King's," and insert "Queen's:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made;

Press last, L. 14. to leave out "his," and insert "her," twice:

And the same were, upon the Question, severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for charging the Estate late of *William Adams* Esquire, deceased, with Portions and Maintenance for *William Adams* and *Eliz. Adams*, his younger Children.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Milton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, in the Parish of *Whitchurch*, in the County of *Chester*, in Trustees, to be sold for paying off the Incumbrances charged thereon; and for other Uses therein mentioned; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Cox*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Colonel *Lee*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Pole*, Mr. *Pope*, Mr. *Wilmington*, Mr. *Methwin*, Mr. *Rowney*, Sir *John Packington*, Mr. *Pelham*, Sir *John Parsons*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Pagett*, Mr. *Mitton*, Mr. *Blathwaite*, Mr. *Papillon*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Coatsworth*, Mr. *Kinaston*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*; and all that serve for *Wales*, and the Counties of *Salop* and *Chester*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

A Petition of Dame *Margaret Eustace*, the Relict of *Sir Maurice Eustace*, of *Castle Martin*, in *Ireland*, deceased, on behalf of herself, and her Daughter *Frances Eustace*, an Infant, was presented to the House, and read;

setting forth, That the Petitioner, being intituled to several Debts by Judgments, and to a Jointure of 400 l. per Annum, with several Years Arrears, and her said Daughter intituled to a Portion of 3,000 l. at her Age of 18 Years, or Marriage, and 40 l. per Annum Maintenance in the mean time; all chargeable upon the Estate of the said Sir *Maurice Eustace*; the Petitioner preferred her Bill, in the Exchequer in *Ireland*, against *Tho. Keightly* Esquire, Grantee of Part of Sir *Maurice's* Estate, for her said Debts and Arrears, and obtained a Decree for them; since which the said Estate became vested in the Trustees, by the late Act of Resumption in *Ireland*; before whom the Petitioner entered her Claim; and all her said Demands were allowed by them, except the Arrears of Jointure and Maintenance: That there is a Bill in the House for the Relief of *Thomas Keightly* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; which is to confirm to him his Grant; and no Saving of the Petitioner's Right is thereby provided, as advised by her Counsel: And praying, That she may be heard, by Counsel, before the said Bill do pass this House.

*Ordered*,

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

him, as Treasurer of her Majesty's Navy, on the Thirds and Tenths of Prizes, appropriated by Act of Parliament for the Buying of Chains and Medals.

And the Title thereof was read :

And the Account is as followeth ; viz.

Sir Thomas Littleton, according to Order, presented to the House an Account of all Monies received and paid by

March 15th 1699.

To Money then received of the Right Honourable the Earl of Orford, pursuant to his Majesty's Warrant, dated 21st February 1699 ; being so much paid over to the said Earl of Orford by the late Receiver General of the Prizes ; viz.

On Account of the Thirds of Prizes -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£.	s.	d.
On Account of the Tenths of Prizes -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	3	6
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											6,036	15 10

April 30.	By Money paid to Rich. Robins Bounty out of the Money received as per Contra, for the Tenths of Prizes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	200	0	0
Decemb. 31.	By Ditto paid Tho. Jacobs Reward out of Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	15	0
Ditto.	By Ditto paid Richard Hunt Reward out of Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	15	0
Ditto.	By Ditto paid Fra. Warren Reward out of Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	15	0
Ditto.	By Ditto paid John Faulston Reward out of Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	15	0
Ditto.	By Ditto paid Rob. Hatton Reward out of Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	15	0
Ditto.	By Ditto paid John Rose Reward out of Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	15	0
Ditto.	By Ditto paid Joseph Man Reward out of Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	15	0
1701. May 14.	By Ditto paid Captain Edw. Halley Reward out of Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	200	0	0
June 7.	By Ditto paid Joan Bufford Bounty out of the Money received, as per Contra, on the Thirds of Prizes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	6	8
July 14.	By Ditto paid Caleb Fox Reward out of the Tenths of Prizes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	15	0
September 30.	By Ditto paid Wm. Woolgar Reward out of Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	15	0
Ditto.	By Ditto paid Thomas Lacey Reward out of Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	15	0
December 31.	By Ditto paid Dr. Isaac Newton Reward out of Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80	0	0

Balance remaining	-	-	£.	555	19	8
			-	5,480	19	2
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Whereof,						
On the Thirds of Prizes	-	-		4	16	10
On the Tenths of Prizes	-	-		5,476	2	4
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Tho. Littleton.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

County of Leicester ; Remainder to his First and other Sons in Tail Male ; and upon his Marriage with his now Wife Eliz. with whom he had a Fortune, he agreed to settle 400*l.* per Annum Rent-charge upon her ; but having no Issue, and, by reason of the said Settlement, he cannot do it, without the Aid of an Act of Parliament : And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill, to enable the Petitioner to make good the Agreement made upon the Petitioner's Marriage, for settling a Jolature upon his Wife.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition : And that the Lord Cheine and Mr. Winstanley do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Petition of Hugh Say, Citizen and Merchant Taylor, of London, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That Alice Stanford Widow, deceased, was, at her Death, intituled to above 6,000*l.* secured by a Mortgage from John Hind, late of London, Goldsmith, of certain Lands and Premises in Middlesex : That Alice Stanford died intestate, leaving Samuel Potts, Mary Ballard, and Jane Hind, her Brother and Sisters, next of Kin, who became intituled to a Distribution of her Estate ; and Jane Hind, by Articles, dated the 9th June 1699, agreed to secure to the Petitioner a Debt of 530*l.* with Interest, by way of Mortgage of her Part of the said Alice Stanford's Estate ; and which has been since decreed accordingly in the Court of Chancery : That there is a Bill depending in the House, to enable Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Houses, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of St. Martin's in the Fields, in the County of Middlesex, for the Payment of the Debts of the said John Hind ; which Premises are the Petitioner's Security ; and yet no Provision is made in the said Bill for the Petitioner's Satisfaction : And praying, That he may be heard touching the said Bill, before the same do pass.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of Geoffry Palmer Esquire was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That the Petitioner is seised for Life of the Manor of Carleton-Carliew, in the

Colonel Granville, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Repeal of the Clause in the Act for settling the Trade to Africa, relating to the Exportation of Copper : And the same was received.

Ordered, That the Bill be read To-morrow Morning.

The House proceeded, according to Order, to take into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable Robert Appreese the elder, and Robert Appreese the younger, to raise Money out of their Estate, for Payment of a Debt due to her Majesty, was committed.

And the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill, were once read throughout ; and then a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

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American  
Plantations.

Mr. *Blathwaite*, from the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations, presented to the House their Answer to an Order of the Twenty-sixth of February last; whereby they were to lay before the House an Account of their Proceedings, with relation to the Complaints made to them of the Courts of Justice in the Plantations in the *West Indies*.

And the Title thereof was read.

And the Account is bound up with the other Papers of this Session.

Ordered, That the said Answer do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Insolvent  
Debtors.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt is committed, be made To-morrow Morning.

Unwhole-  
some Bran-  
dies.

Ordered, That the Bill to prevent the making of unwholesome and unmerchable Brandies from Corn; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of *French* Brandies; be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Abuses in  
Victualling  
Department.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom it was referred to examine the Matter of the Complaint against the King's Brewhouse at *St. Catherine's*, be made To-morrow Morning.

Sending  
Servants to  
Plantations.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Consideration of the Petition of the Merchants trading to the *English* Plantations in *America* was referred, be made To-morrow Morning.

Vernon's  
Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *Mary Vernon* was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Luttrell's  
Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of Colonel *Henry Luttrell*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. *Gery* and Mr. *Rogers*:

Mr. Speaker,

Windowe's  
Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for settling the Estate of *John* and *Robert Windowe* Gentlemen, deceased, upon Trustees, to be sold, and the Purchase-money applied to the Uses therein mentioned: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House: And also,

Bishop of  
Gloucester's  
Estate.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Bishop of *Gloucester*, and his Successors, to make distinct and separate Leases of the Manors, Lands and Premises, therein mentioned: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Purefoy's  
Estate.

A Petition of *Alexander Cairnes* Merchant was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That there is an ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, now depending in this House, to enable Trustees to sell certain Lands, Tythes, and Tenements, for the Payment of the Debts of *Francis Purefoy* Esquire, deceased; wherein it is pretended, That one *Christopher Dighton*, who prosecutes the Bill, is Administrator of the said *Francis Purefoy*, with his Will annexed: That the Petitioner believes the said Bill is carried on by great Surprise, and without Notice to Mr. *Purefoy's* Widow, who lives in *Ireland*, and has a Demand upon the said Estate; for that Mr. *Purefoy*, in May last, duly executed his Will, and made his Wife, and one Captain *Hart*, Executors; and they have proved the Will in *Ireland*; and the Petitioner has a Copy, and the Probate thereof; and, having been heretofore employed in some Affairs for the said Executors in *England*, he was advised to lay the aforesaid Matters before the House: And praying the Consideration of the House therein.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition

be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

Salt Duties.

Colonel *Granville*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom it was referred to consider of the Supply to be granted to her Majesty for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown, the Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Supply.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That, towards the Supply to be granted to her Majesty, for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown, the same Revenues, which were payable to his late Majesty King *William*, of blessed Memory, during his Life, be granted and continued to her present Majesty Queen *Anne*, during her Life.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the said Revenue be continued from the Death of his late Majesty.

The first Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, *Nemine contradicente*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That, towards the Supply to be granted to her Majesty, for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown, the same Revenues, which were payable to his late Majesty King *William*, of blessed Memory, during his Life, be granted and continued to her present Majesty Queen *Anne*, during her Life.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

Resolved, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the said Revenues be continued from the Death of his late Majesty.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Colonel *Granville* and Mr. *Lowndes* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. *Gery* and Mr. *Rogers*:

Counterfeit-  
ing Coin.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for better preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Mr. *Etterick* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for explaining a Clause in an Act, made at the Parliament begun and holden at *Westminster*, the Twenty-second of November, in the Seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King *William* the Third, intituled, An Act for the better Security of his Majesty's Person and Government, was committed, That the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Explaining  
7 W. III.  
for Security  
of King's  
Person.

Press 1. L. 24. leave out "the."

Press 2. L. 14. after "living," insert "but as her Majesty's Justices, and in her Name."

In the Rider, L. 2. leave out the First "Writ," and insert "Commission;" and, after "Association," insert "Writ of Admittance;" and, after "omnes," insert "original Writ."

Line

Line 3d, after "any," insert "Commission."  
 4. after "Equity," insert "nor any Pro-  
 cess or Proceeding upon any Office or Inquisition;"  
 and, after "determined," add "abated."

L. 6th, after "Writ," insert "Commission."  
 11. leave out "Writ," and insert "or;"  
 and, after "Association," insert "Writ of Admittance,  
 "Writ of."

L. 16. after "no," insert "original Writ;"  
 and, after "*prius*," leave out "nor any," and add  
 "Commission."

L. 17. leave out "that shall be."

L. 18. after "Equity," insert "nor any Pro-  
 cess or Proceedings upon any Office or Inquisition;"  
 and, after "be," insert "determined, abated, or."

L. 19. after "Writ," add "Commission."

At the End of the Bill add Clause (A); viz.

"And be it further Enacted, That all and singular the  
 Provisions, Clauses, Matters, and Things whatsoever,  
 contained in this Act, and in that Part of the Act,  
 made in the Seventh Year of the Reign of the late King,  
 which is recited in this present Act, shall extend, and  
 be construed to extend, to the Kingdom of Ireland, to  
 the Islands of Jersey and Guernsey, and to all her Ma-  
 jesty's Dominions in America, and elsewhere."

And the said Amendments, being severally read a Se-  
 cond time, were, upon the Question severally put there-  
 upon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Clause being offered to the House, to be added  
 to the Bill, for Acts of Parliament, made this Session, in  
 her Majesty's Reign, to commence at a certain time;

The same was twice read, with Blanks, and the Blanks  
 filled up; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed  
 unto by the House.

East Retford  
 Election.

Sir Rowland Gwyn reported, from the Committee  
 of Privileges and Elections, the Matter, as it ap-  
 peared to them, touching the Election for the Bo-  
 rough of East Retford, in the County of Nottingham;  
 and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which  
 they had directed him to report to the House; which he  
 read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the  
 Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as  
 follow; viz.

Upon the Petition of Sir Willoughby Hickman Baronet,  
 and William Levinz Esquire; complaining of an  
 undue Election and Return of John Thornhagh  
 Esquire, and Tho. White Esquire, to serve for East  
 Retford:

That, upon the Poll, there were,

For Mr. Thornhagh	-	-	-	31.
For Mr. White	-	-	-	28.
For Sir Willoughby Hickman	-	-	-	25.
For Mr. Levinz	-	-	-	22.

That the Right of Election was agreed to be in the  
 Freemen or Burgesses:

But the Question between the Petitioners and Sitting  
 Members was, Whether the younger Sons of Freemen  
 had a Right to demand their Freedom?

That the Petitioners Counsel insisted, That the younger  
 Sons had a Right: And the Sitting Members Counsel in-  
 sisted on the contrary:

And thereupon the Petitioners Counsel examined  
 several Witnesses:

Tho. Moody: Who had known East Retford 50 Years.

Wm. Moody, aged 69, born at East Retford:

Wm. Bunby, above 40 Years of Age:

Who testified, That the younger Sons of Freemen had  
 a Right to their Freedom: And Tho. Moody, and Wm.  
 Bunby, said, They were both of them younger Sons, and  
 admitted to their Freedom, paying only the Court-fees:  
 Tho. Moody said, Robert Moody, his younger Brother, was  
 also made free: And Wm. Moody, the eldest Son, testi-  
 fied to the like Effect; viz. That he had Two younger  
 Brothers made free; and that Three of the Smiths were  
 made free by their Father's Copy above 40 Years since;

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and Three of the Caltons were made free almost 50 Years  
 since.

William Bunby said, That, at the same time he was  
 made free, one Rob. Mason, a younger Son, was made  
 free.

And Robert Mason, being examined, confirmed the  
 same.

And Bunby and Mason said, That they were summoned  
 to take up their Freedoms; or, otherwise, threatened to  
 have their Shops shut up.

That they also, to make out the said Right, insisted on  
 some Entries of the Admittances of Freemen in the Books;  
 viz. Two of 13 Car. I. in these Words:

*Ad hanc curiam venit Henricus Johnson; et petit, Quod  
 ipse, et Willielmus et Johannes Johnson, filiorum ipsius  
 Henrici, et hæredes masculi de corpore suo, de cætero sint  
 burgenses villæ et burgi prædicti; et super hoc prædicti  
 Henricus juratus est secundum consuetudinem villæ et  
 burgi prædicti; et est inde burgensis et juramentum præ-  
 dictorum Willielmi et Johannis, respect' quosque ad ætatem  
 attingunt.*

*Ad hunc curiam venit Thomas Fraunce; et petit, Quod  
 ipse, et Henricus Fraunce, Richardus Fraunce, et Thomas  
 Fraunce, filiorum prædicti Thomæ, hæredes masculi de  
 corpore suo, de cætero sint burgenses villæ et burgi  
 prædicti; et super hoc prædicti Thomas Fraunce juratus  
 est; and the swearing the other respited till they came  
 of Age, as before.*

That they also produced an Entry of the Admittance,  
 in another Book, of Gilbert Welsh, a younger Son, to his  
 Freedom, of the 28 of September 1635, which is in these  
 Words:

Whereas Gilbert Welsh, Second Son of Richard Welsh,  
 did this Day take up his Freedom, and was sworn a Bur-  
 gess of the same Town; it is, nevertheless, agreed upon,  
 ordered, and decreed, by and with the Consent of the said  
 Gilbert Welsh, That he the said Gilbert Welsh shall not,  
 in respect of his said Freedom, have, claim, or challenge,  
 any Stall or Standing within the Moot-hall of the said  
 Town, unless he do compound and pay for the same, as  
 Foreigners do; neither shall have, claim, or challenge, any  
 Stall or Standing in the Market-place, any ways to lett or  
 dispose of the same to any others; but only to stand there  
 himself, if he see good.

That the Counsel for the Petitioners also offered, in  
 Evidence, the Report of the Election for East Retford the  
 last Parliament: But, there being no Resolution upon the  
 Point in Question, the Committee did not think fit to  
 read the same.

To answer which Evidence, the Counsel for the Sitting  
 Members called several Witnesses; viz.

Wm. Jessop; who had known East Retford 47 Years,  
 and had served all Offices in the Borough:

John Reynolds, born at East Retford, and lived there  
 ever since, aged Fifty-four Years:

James Mason, aged Fifty-four Years, and had known  
 East Retford 35 Years:

Wm. Booth, who had known East Retford 40 Years:

Who testified, That no Person had a Right to demand  
 their Freedom, but such who were the eldest Sons of Free-  
 men, or had served an Apprenticeship to some Freeman:  
 And Jessop said, No others were admitted in his Time;  
 but he had been out of Town 16 Years: And John Rey-  
 nolds, said, That one Thomas Sorely, a younger Son of  
 John Sorely, never demanded his Freedom; and that  
 Richard Calton, a Fourth Son, paid 20 s. Fine for his  
 Freedom: And James Mason said, That Wm. Bunby paid  
 20 s. for his Freedom.

That they also produced an Entry, 20 Eliz. in these  
 Words: *Ad hunc curiam tent' 3<sup>a</sup> die Novembris, coram  
 Edwardo Spuy, Edwardo Mason, et Johanne Fletcher,  
 ballivis ibidem, anno regni reginæ Eliz. 8<sup>cæ</sup>. 22<sup>a</sup>; et petit,  
 Quod ipse, et hæredes masculi, de cætero sint burgenses et  
 liberi in villa prædicta; et admissus est; et prædicti Tho-  
 mas juratus; et postea, in eadem curia, composuit pro  
 liberatione filii sui prius nati; viz. Roberti Tupman; qui  
 etiam est liber et burgens'.*

That



East Retford  
Election.

That the Petitioners Counsel called, by way of confronting; *Wm. Bunby* and *Robert Mason*, who had been examined before; and they persisted in it, That they were younger Sons, and made free, paying the Court-fees: And *Mason* named the Sum; viz. 5s. 6d. or 5s. 8d.

And that the Committee, upon the Proof, came to this Resolution:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That younger Sons of Freemen of the Borough of *East Retford* have not a Right to demand their Freedom of the said Borough.

That the Counsel for the Petitioners then proceeded to give an Account of such others as had a Right to their Freedom, and were refused their Vote.

*John Leary* said, That *John Leary* junior was his eldest Son, and had served him Seven Years as an Apprentice.

*Wm. Bunby* said, That *John Leary* had served Seven Years to his Father, and was made free by *Popplewell*.

*Wm. Smith* said, That *Martin Calton* was his Father's eldest Son, and lived with his Father all his Time; and his Father was a Freeman.

*Wm. Bunby*, *John Leary*, said, *John Hodgkin* is the eldest Son of a Freeman: And *Leary* said, His Father was made free before the said *Leary* was born.

*Wm. Smith* said, That *Thomas Bonefont* served his Father Seven Years, and was made free by *Popplewell*.

*Wm. Bunby* said, *John Colton* junior served his Father Seven Years, and was made free by *Popplewell*.

*John Leary* said, That *John Stevenson* and *Thomas Ryley* each served Seven Years to the same Master, within Two Doors of him:

That *George Popplewell* gave Seven Pounds for his Freedom:

That *John Colton*, *William Thompson*, and *John Goodall*, are the eldest Sons of Freemen; but he could not say they were born after their Fathers were made free:

That *Thomas Colton* and *Steph. Hodgkin* served Seven Years to their respective Fathers:

That *William Woodhead* served Seven Years to one *Moody*, a Butcher.

*Wm. Smith* said, That *John Colton*, *Wm. Thompson*, *John Goodall*, *Tho. Soresby*, were the eldest Sons of Freemen; but could not say whether their Fathers were free before their Sons were born.

That *Thomas Calton*, *Rich. Bonefont*, *Step. Hodgkin*, *William Goodall*, *William Woodhead*, served in the Town as Apprentices; but they could not say whether they were bound by Indentures.

That they also proved by a Witness, That *Martin Calton* demanded his Freedom several Years:

That *John Hodgkin*, *John Goodall*, *Tho. Bonefont*, *Tho. Soresby*, *John Calton*, *Tho. Calton*, *Savil Atkinson*, *Rich. Bonefont*, *John Stevenson*, *Steph. Hodgkin*, *Tho. Ryley*, *Wm. Goodall*, *Tho. Clark*, *Wm. Woodhead*, *William Thompson*, had demanded their Freedoms.

That, as to their offering to poll, the Petitioners Counsel called

*William Nicholls*: Who said, That *John Leary*, *Geo. Popplewell*, *Martin Calton*, *John Calton*, *John Hodgkin*, *Wm. Thompson*, *Tho. Bonefont*, *John Goodall*, *John Colton*, *Tho. Calton*, *Sam. Atkinson*, *Rich. Bonefont*, *John Stevenson*, *Steph. Hodgkin*, *Tho. Ryley*, *Wm. Goodall*, *Tho. Clark*, *William Woodhead*, offered to poll for Sir *Willoughby Hickman* and Mr. *Levinz*, and were refused:

And *Thomas Soresby*, who would have polled for Sir *Willoughby Hickman* and Mr. *Thornhagh*, was also refused.

That the Petitioners Counsel also insisted, That the Sitting Members voted for themselves.

To which it was answered, That Sir *Willoughby Hickman* voted for himself.

That the Sitting Members Counsel also insisted, That they should take off some of the Petitioners Votes, on account of Charity:

That Mr. *Popplewell* had no Right to make any free, being himself disfranchised: -

And that the Persons, said to have a Right, had not demanded their Freedoms at a proper Time:

And called several Witnesses:

*James Mason* said, That *William Buttry* had received 2s. for several Years, and particularly the last Year, of *Wharton's* Charity:

That *Martin Calton* received of *Clark's* Charity: He said, He did not see it paid; but he finds his Name entered in the Book of the Account of *Wharton's* Charity.

*William Booth* said, That *William Buttry* had 2s. a Year paid him several Years: That he had seen it given to his Wife the last Year but one.

*John Hodson* said, That, about a Week before the Election, Mr. *Nicholls* came to him, and desired his Vote for Sir *Willoughby Hickman*; and Mr. *Levinz* should help him to a Place of 20 or 30l. a Year; and Mr. *Levinz* should give him some Money: And Mr. *Nicholls*, at his going away, gave him a Crown.

*Wm. Jessop* said, *John Johnson's* Father is not free; and he was bound to one that was not free.

*Wm. Skelton* said, That *John Leary's* Father was asked to swear that his Son was made free; and he refused to do it.

*John Walker* said, He heard *Martin Calton* say, He could have his Freedom if he would; but he would vote for Parliament-men without it; and he would save his Money to buy Cloaths.

*Skelton* said, That *John Calton* did not serve a Freeman; but was put to one of the Waits of the Town, who died after *Carleton* had been with him Two Years.

*Savill Atkinson's* Indenture of Apprenticeship to *Tho. Shelton* was produced, dated 15 October 1668; and, by Certificate, it appeared, that the said *Shelton* was buried 27 January 1672: But it was testified, on behalf of the Petitioners, That there was no other of that Trade in Town:

That, as to *John Stevenson*, it was testified, That, though he was Apprentice to one *Calton*, a Shoemaker, yet he served the *Huntington* Carrier; but it was by *Calton's* Consent.

*Edw. Jackson* said, He was Bailiff last Year; and that *Tho. Riley* never demanded his Freedom of him.

*Wm. Booth* said, That *Thomas Riley* produced a Pair of Indentures, dated in 1660; but the Date was rased, and made 1670:

That Mr. *Popplewell* was disfranchised; and his Disfranchisement, 11th April 1699, was read; which was by the Bailiffs and Aldermen subscribing that Disfranchisement.

*John Reynolds* said, That the Freemen, whereof Evidence was given that they demanded their Freedom, came to an improper Court; the Court they applied to being a Court Baron.

Mr. Serjeant *Selby* insisted, That *Popplewell* was not well disfranchised; for such an Act ought to be by the Corporation.

*Mary Cozens* said, That Mrs. *Moody* sent for her on Wednesday before the Election, and desired her Husband's Vote for Sir *Willoughby Hickman*, and Mr. *Levinz*; and said, She would lay down 7l. and she the said *Cozens* should take it up: That *Cozens* told her Husband; who said, He would be a Freeman: And afterwards she told Mrs. *Moody* of it; who said, If she could prevail with her Husband, she should have 10l. before they went into the Hall to give their Votes.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions;

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *John Thornhagh* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *East Retford*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Tho. White* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *East Retford*.

The



The First Resolution being read a Second time;  
And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the younger Sons of Freemen of the Borough of *East Retford* have not a Right to demand their Freedom of the said Borough;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Lord Coningsby, } 175.  
                                  { Mr. Monckton :

Tellers for the Noes, { Colonel Granvill, } 173.  
                                  { Mr. Gulston :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *John Thornhagh* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *East Retford*;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir John Holland, } 176.  
                                  { Mr. Poultney :

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. St. John, } 174.  
                                  { Mr. Bertie :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Third Resolution being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Thomas White* Esquire is duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *East Retford*;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Ash, } 177.  
                                  { Mr. Hopkins :

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Chr. Hales, } 175.  
                                  { Mr. Caesar :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Publick  
Accounts.

The Order of the Day being read, for the making Choice of Commissioners of Accounts for the Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom;

And the Question being put, That the House do now proceed to the said Choice;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Vernon, } 195.  
                                  { Mr. Foley :

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Edw. Ernly, } 120.  
                                  { Mr. Woollaston :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Clerk, and Clerk Assistant, went on each side the House, with Glasses, to receive from the Members their Lists of Persons Names to be Commissioners:

And, being received, the same were brought up to the Table.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to examine the Lists; and report to the House, upon which Seven Persons the Majority falls:

And it is referred to Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Pendarves*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Cesar*, Mr. *Nicholas*, Mr. *Winington*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Jos. Jekill*, Sir *Hen. Peachy*, Lord *Cheny*, Mr. *Johnson*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Colonel *Granville*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Randa*, Lord *Spencer*, Sir *Edw. Turner*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Rowney*, Sir *Edm. Bacon*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Tilney*, Mr. *Hanbury*, Mr. *Pitts*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Godf. Copley*, Mr. *Hysham*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Mr. *Hele*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *John Molesworth*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Scobell*, . . *Edw. Ernley*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Harpur*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Mr. *St. Loe*, Sir *Jeff. Jeffries*, Mr. *Masters*, Mr. *Coatsworth*, Mr. *Stonehouse*: And they are to withdraw into the Speaker's

Chambers; and to report upon which Seven Persons the Majority falls.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 18° die Martii;*

Anno 1° Annæ Regiæ.

PRAYERS.

COLONEL *Granville*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Eliz. Wandesford*, and her Daughter: And the same was received. Wandesford's Relief.

Mr. *Pagitt* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling and vesting divers Manors and Lands of *Francis Wightwick*, an Infant, lying in the County of *Stafford*, in Trustees, to enable them to settle and convey the same, upon the Marriage of the said *Francis Wightwick*, to such Uses, Intents, and Purposes, as shall be agreed upon, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations in the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were twice read; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Press 3. L. 19. after "Freehold," insert "Lands."

Press 5. L. 29. leave out "King's," and insert "Queen's."

Press last, L. 3. the same Amendment.

L. 4. leave out "his," and insert "her."

An ingrossed Bill for vesting the Estate of *William Mathews* Gentleman, and *Catharine* his Wife, in Trustees, to be sold, for the Purposes therein mentioned, was read the Third time. Mathew's Estate.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for vesting the Estate of *William Mathews*, and *Catharine* his Wife, in Trustees, to be sold, for the Purposes therein mentioned.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cox* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

The House being informed, That Mr. *Doddington*, and Mr. *Corbett*, attended, with the Accounts directed to be laid before the House, touching the Monies for Chains and Medals, and the Rights and Perquisites of the Lord High Admiral of *England*; Money appropriated for buying Chains and Medals.

They were called in:

And Mr. *Doddington* presented to the House an Account of all Monies received by the Right Honourable *Edward* Earl of *Orford*, late Treasurer of his Majesty's Navy, for Tenths of Prizes; which were set apart for buying Chains and Medals, and Rewards for Services performed at Sea, pursuant to an Act of Parliament.

And Mr. *Corbett* presented to the House an Account of all Monies received by him, as Commissioner for recovering and receiving the Rights and Perquisites of the Lord High Admiral of *England*, between the 13th of September 1695, the Date of his Commission, and the 13th of March 1701; as also how the same has been disposed of. Lord High Admiral's Rights and Perquisites.

And then they withdrew.

And the Titles of the said Accounts were read:

And the Accounts are as follow; viz.

The said Account of Monies received for buying Chains, and Medals, and Rewards.

Money ap-  
propriated  
for buying  
Chains and  
Medals.

By Money received, of the Commissioners of Prizes, between the 31st of October 1693, and the 3d of June 1698 - - - - - £. s. d.  
- 11,443 12 4

D I S C H A R G E.

By Assignments made between the 26th of December 1693, and the 15th of March 1699, by the Commissioners of the Navy, to pay for Chains, Medals, and Rewards, to sundry Persons, for Services by them performed at Sea, according to the Orders of the Lords Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *England*, and pursuant to the said Act of Parliament - 5,430 0 0  
By Money paid the Sixteenth of March 1699, to the succeeding Treasurer of the Navy, being the Balance of the said Tenths of Prizes - - - - - 6,013 12 4  
11,443 12 4

Orford.

Lord High  
Admiral's  
Rights and  
Perquisites.

The said Account of all Monies received by the said Mr. *Corbett*, as the Rights and Perquisites of the Lord High Admiral of *England*.

C H A R G E.

1695-6.  
March 19th. Received of Mr. *Pleydwell*, on Account of Charges in recovering a Ship, called the *Talmudigheyt*, at *Dartmouth*, condemned a Perquisite; but given away to *Peter Peterson*, by Warrant from the King, dated 25 February 9<sup>th</sup>, and directed to the Commissioners for Prizes - 4 0 0  
June 15. Ditto of Mr. *John Degraes*, for the Tenth of the Goods in the *Cornelia*, *Lewis Cools* Master, taken by Captain *Martin* in November 1692, being an old Debt - 18 4 6  
July 24. Ditto of the Commissioners for Prizes, in Part of the Produce of the *St. Jacob* of *Copenhagen*, at *Plymouth* - 200 0 0  
December 17. Ditto by an Order from the Commissioners for Prizes, dated 12 December 1696, the Sum of 113*l.* 18*s.* 0*d.* being the Produce of *The Prophet Elias*, condemned a Perquisite in August 1695, at *Corunna*, having been taken, and carried there, by Captain *Clyes* - 113 18 0  
1697.  
April 1st. Ditto of Mr. *John Check*, Marshal to the High Court of Admiralty, for the *Samuel*, *Sam. Blundell* Master, seized in the *Thames*, and condemned a Perquisite of the Admiralty, 26 Jan. 1696-7 - 83 0 0  
July 28<sup>o</sup>. Received of the Commissioners for Prizes, in part of the Produce of the *St. Anne* of *Burdeaux*, seized at *Scilly*, and condemned a Perquisite of the Admiralty the 20 February 1696 - 100 0 0  
December 18. Ditto in full of Ditto, as per Account from the Commissioners for Prizes - 24 5 9 } 124 5 9  
March 31st. Received of the Commissioners for Prizes the Fifth Part of the Produce of the Ship called *The Palm-tree*, or *Crown Laurel*, a *French* Privateer, taken by *Cha. Newton*, Master of the Ship *Hester*, of *Newcastle*; the Commissioners for Prizes having paid  $\frac{4}{5}$ ths to the said *Charles Newton*, according to a Warrant from his Majesty, at Mr. Secretary *Trumball's* Office - 65 1 7  
1698.  
May 11th. Received of Mr. *Samuel Heron*, and Mr. *Joseph Martin*, Bail for Captain *Broom*, Commander of the Ship *America Merchant*, for the Ship *Bonadventure*, or *Hureux*, taken and disposed of by the said Captain *Broom*, though condemned, Perquisites as per Sentence in the High Court of Admiralty, the 4th of March 1696, 3,505*l.* More, for Charges of Suit, taken in the said Court of Admiralty, 5*l.* - 3,510 0 0  
July 25. Received of the Right Honourable the Earl of *Romney*, for other Charges relating to the afore-mentioned Perquisite, granted him, and Mr. *John Glover*, by a Warrant from his Majesty, dated 31 March 1698 - 20 0 0  
August 8<sup>o</sup>. Ditto of the Commissioners for Prizes, for the Produce of the Lading of the *St. John* of *Burdeaux*, taken by Captain *Clyes*, and condemned a Perquisite 20th Oct. 1696 - 227 15 9  
Sept. 13. Received of Mr. *Glasier*, for the Produce of *The Sea-flower*, seized at *Bristol*, and condemned, as a Perquisite, the 25 June 1697 - 45 0 0  
1699.  
May 3d. Received of the Commissioners for Prizes, on Account of Perquisites taken by Captain *Clyes*, mentioned in a Warrant, whereby his Majesty grants the Remainder to the said Captain. and Postmasters, for several Uses therein mentioned - 198 4 1  
Feb. 3d. Received of Mr. *William Conelly*, Agent to this Accountant at *Dublin*, for the net Produce of the Ship *John and Anne*, seized near *Colrain* in *Ireland*, and condemned a Perquisite the 30th Sept. 1697 - 82 12 10

TOTAL Charge - - £. 4,692 2 6

1695. D I S C H A R G E.

October 2<sup>o</sup>. Given to the Attorney General, for putting in a Claim, before the Lords of Appeals, to the *Sancta Maria* of *Stockholme*, of 3 Guns, taken within Shot of *Dover* Castle, 3 Guineas, at 30*s.* each - 4 10 0  
Ditto to the Solicitor General, to attend the same business - 3 0 0  
Oct. 15. Given to the Attorney and Solicitor General, to attend the same again, 2 Guineas each - 6 0 0  
30. Ditto the said Solicitor, to attend the same Business a Third time, Two Guineas - 3 0 0  
Ditto to Sir *Tho. Pinfold*, Drs. *Littleton* and *Newton*, the King's Advocates, to argue the King's Right to the aforesaid Ship, a Guinea each - 4 10 0  
Feb. 15. Given Drs. *Littleton* and *Newton*, to plead against the Allegation given in to the Lords of Appeal, to prove a Property to the Ship *Talmudigheyt* at *Dartmouth*, condemned a Perquisite - 3 0 0  
1696.  
April 4th. Paid for entering a *Caveat* at the Secretary's Office - 0 10 9

	£.	s.	d.	Lord High Admiral's Rights and Perquisites.
May 2. Given Sir <i>Tho. Pinfold</i> , Drs. <i>Littleton</i> and <i>Newton</i> , for pleading, before the Lords of Appeal, to have the Sentence confirmed against the <i>St. Jacob of Copenhagen</i> , at <i>Plymouth</i> , 2 Guineas each, at 22 s. each - - - - -	6	12	0	
Given to Mr. <i>Dod</i> , to move in the Court of Exchequer thrice, to have the Prohibition taken off in the Case of the <i>St. Nicholas of Tenby</i> , three Guineas - - - - -	3	6	0	
July 1st. Given the Attorney General, to urge the said Case - - - - -	2	4	0	
Aug. 19. Paid Charges at the Prize Office for an Order for 200 l. - - - - -	2	2	0	
Given the Solicitor General, when Mr. <i>Whitaker</i> , Mr. <i>Jenkins</i> , and myself, attended him, according to the Lords of the Admiralty's Order, to lay before him the whole Proceedings at Law, concerning the <i>St. Nicholas of Tenby</i> , for his Opinion in it - - - - -	3	6	0	
Sept. 5. Given Dr. <i>Littleton</i> , for drawing the Case of <i>The Arms of Riga</i> , and <i>St. Jacob of Copenhagen</i> , condemned Perquisites; but afterwards appealed - - - - -	2	4	0	
Sept. 17th. Given the Solicitor General, for perusing the Case and Papers relating to the said Ships, and giving his Opinion thereon; which I laid before the Lords of the Admiralty - - - - -	3	6	0	
Nov. 25. Given Ditto, for arguing the said Case before the Lords of Appeal - - - - -	3	6	0	
Ditto, given Sir <i>Tho. Pinfold</i> , Drs. <i>Littleton</i> and <i>Newton</i> , to attend the Lords of Appeal in the Case of <i>The Arms of Riga</i> , and <i>St. Jacob of Copenhagen</i> , Two Guineas each - - - - -	6	12	0	
March 19th. Paid <i>John Decrees</i> , according to a Decree of the Court of Admiralty, for keeping the Ship <i>Samuel</i> - - - - -	23	3	6	
Paid Mr. <i>Cheek</i> , by Decree of the Court of Admiralty, for selling the said Ship - - - - -	8	13	6	
1697.				
Mar. 25. Paid <i>Rowland Frye</i> , by ditto Decree, for Wharfage of the said Ship - - - - -	4	4	0	
April 1st. Paid <i>Tho. Sherman</i> , for taking care of the Ship <i>Mary and Jane</i> , <i>Joseph Sanders</i> Master; which Ship was given to Mr. <i>Baker</i> , by his Majesty's Warrant, dated 4 Mar. 97. - - - - -	6	8	10	
Paid Mr. <i>Owen</i> , Clerk belonging to the Exchequer Office, for Business done by him in the Case of the Ship <i>St. Nicholas of Tenby</i> - - - - -	0	15	0	
22. Paid <i>Tho. Smith</i> , per Decree of the High Court of Admiralty, for informing against the Ship <i>Samuel</i> , condemned a Perquisite - - - - -	15	12	11½	
Paid Mr. <i>Bedford's</i> Bill of Fees, due to the Judge, Register, &c. of the Admiralty Court - - - - -	10	18	9	
May 7th. Given Mr. Attorney and Solicitor General, for their Opinions, if the Privateer Act continued in Force, which I left with the Lords of the Admiralty, 2 Guineas each - - - - -	4	8	0	
July 28. Paid <i>Patrick Hoar</i> , in pursuance to a Warrant from his Majesty, dated the 18 March 1694 out of the Produce of the <i>St. Anne of Burdeaux</i> , of which he was Master - - - - -	100	0	0	
Oct. 8. Paid Mr. <i>Glasier</i> , for an Exemplification of the Sentence against the <i>John and Anne</i> , seized at <i>Colrain</i> in <i>Ireland</i> , which I sent thither - - - - -	2	13	0	
Paid at the Register's Office, for Two Copies of Sentences of Condemnation; viz. of the <i>St. Francis D'Azis</i> at <i>Falmouth</i> , and <i>John and Samuel</i> at <i>Wexford</i> - - - - -	1	4	0	
Feb. 18. Paid Mr. <i>Lilly</i> of the Post Office, for ¼d of the Charges of a Warrant at the Treasury, wherein a 3d of several Ships are granted to the Receiver of the Perquisites, towards defraying the Charges of his Office - - - - -	2	0	0	
1698.				
May 12. Paid the Right Honourable the Earl of <i>Romney</i> , and Mr. <i>John Glover</i> , pursuant to his Majesty's Warrant, dated 31 March 1698, granting them the Sum recovered from Captain <i>Broom</i> , and his Security, in the High Court of Admiralty - - - - -	3,505	0	0	
June 20th. Paid at the Register's Office, for a List of the Perquisites, and for an Order to the Commissioners for Prizes to pay all Perquisites to the Receivers - - - - -	0	16	6	
Paid for Orders, and Money received at the Prize Office, demanded by their Cashier, and Clerks - - - - -	3	17	0	
Paid <i>Francis Painter</i> Esquire, as Comptroller of the Perquisites, for One Year's Salary, due the 13th of December 1696, as per the Lords of the Admiralty's Commission - - - - -	200	0	0	
Paid myself, as Receiver of the Perquisites, for One Year's Salary, due 13 Sept. 96. as per Lords of the Admiralty's Commission - - - - -	300	0	0	
Sept. 13. Paid Mr. <i>Glasier</i> , the King's Proctor's Bill, for the Ships <i>Samuel</i> and <i>Seaflower</i> ; and the Register's Bill for <i>The Seaflower</i> , as per Receipts - - - - -	20	14	10	
1699.				
May 8th. Repaid the Commissioners for Prizes, for Part of the Proceed of the <i>St. Jacob</i> , formerly received of the said Commissioners; but, before, granted by a Warrant from his Majesty to <i>John Barker</i> Gentleman; the Warrant being for the whole Proceed of the said Ship, and another called <i>The Arms of Riga</i> , as per Mr. <i>Cock's</i> Receipt, Deputy Receiver for Prizes - - - - -	198	4	1	
April 5. Paid <i>Wm. May</i> , for Subsistence, and necessary Expences, in attending, as Evidence for his Majesty, in an Appeal of the <i>John and Anne</i> , depending before the Lords of Appeal - - - - -	3	0	0	
June 28th. Ditto at the Register Office, for Copy of the Lords of Appeal Sentence, which confirmed the former Sentence in the Admiralty Court, relating to the said Ship <i>John and Anne</i> - - - - -	0	9	0	
Paid for Pens, Ink, Paper, and Books, and for Postage of Packets of Letters from the <i>Streights, Ireland</i> , and several Ports in <i>England</i> , during 3 Years and ½, ending 13 June 1699 - - - - -	11	5	0	
Paid for Coach and Boat-hire to <i>Doctors Commons</i> , Lords of the Appeal, Prize Office, and other Places, towards Recovering and Receiving of Perquisites, for 3 Years and ½, ending the 13th June 99, after the Rate of 10 l. per Annum - - - - -	37	10	0	
January 11th. Paid at Mr. Secretary <i>Vernon's</i> Office, for a Reference - - - - -	2	2	0	
March 25. Ditto, <i>Wm. May</i> , in Obedience to a Warrant from his Majesty, dated 14 March 99, at Mr. Secretary <i>Vernon's</i> Office - - - - -	40	17	0	
	4,591	6	1½	
By Balance - - - - -	100	16	4½	
Total of the said Discharge	4,692	2	6	

	£.	s.	d.
<i>Memorandum:</i> Due to this Accountant, for Four Years and Half Salary, ending the 13th of March 1700, at 300 <i>l.</i> per Annum, as per Commission - - - - -	1,350	0	0
Also due to <i>Francis Paynter</i> Esquire, Comptroller, for Salary for the same Time, at 200 <i>l.</i> per Annum, as per Commission - - - - -	900	0	0
	<u>2,250</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Andr. Corbet.

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Charge of Outlawries, and attending the Trustees for the Irish Forfeitures: And the same was received.

Whitby  
Harbour.

Sir *John Bolles* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding in the County of *York*, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned until *Friday* Morning next.

Debtors  
Petition.

A Petition of the poor Prisoners for Debt in the Sheriff's Ward for the County of *Devon*, in behalf of themselves, and all other suffering Brethren, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners have, for several Years, languished in Prison, being unable to pay their Debts; and having nothing to subsist on, if the Charity of well-disposed Christians should fail, they must inevitably starve, if not relieved by the House: And praying, That the House will take their deplorable Condition into their Consideration, and give them some Relief.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt is committed, be made.

Countess of  
Limerick's  
Relief.

A Petition of *Arthur Bush* and *Peter Partington*, in behalf of the Protestant Purchasers and Improvers, under the Earl of *Athlone*, on the Estate of the late Earl of *Limerick*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners are employed by the said Purchasers and Improvers, and conceive the Bill depending in the House for the Relief of *Maria Eufemia* Countess of *Limerick*, and *Thomas* Earl of *Limerick*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, is greatly injurious to the said Purchasers and Improvers, and contrary to the Intention of the House: And praying, That they may have such Provision made in the said Bill, as the House shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Soames'  
Estate.

Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for Sale of Part of the Estate of *Stephen Soame* Gentleman, and *Dorothy* his Wife, and for applying the Money raised thereby for the Payment of his Debts, and for the Portions of *Mary Soame* and *William Soame*, Two of his younger Children, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Irish For-  
feitures.

Sir *Roger Mostyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to recompense *Philip Savage* Esquire for the

A Bill to prevent the Making of unwholesome and unmerchantable Brandies from Corn; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of *French* Brandies; was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Moor*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Sir *Hen. Ashurst*, Mr. *Liddall*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Jervois*, Sir *Row. Gwyn*, Mr. *Philips*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Mr. *Anderton*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Hele*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Palmer*, Sir *William Drake*, Sir *William Ashurst*, Mr. *Herne*, Mr. *Coatsworth*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Tho. Littleton*, Sir *John Parsons*, Mr. *Masters*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Lee*, Colonel *Wharton*, Colonel *King*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *Cary*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Buller*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Hicks*, Mr. *Snell*, Mr. *Champnyes*, Mr. *Shepherd*, Mr. *Hutchinson*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do consider of hindering the excessive Use of *Melasses* in Making of *Spirits*.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting in Trustees the Estate late of Sir *William Powell* Baronet, deceased, for raising Portions for the younger Children of Sir *John Williams*, and Dame *Mary* his Wife, Daughter of the said Sir *William Powell*; and to enable *William Williams*, their eldest Son, to make a Jointure to such Wife as he shall marry; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to consider of the Oath in the late Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; and what Variations are necessary to be made by reason of the unfortunate Death of his late Majesty; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Tho. Littleton*, Lord Marquis *Hartington*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Edw. Seymour*, Mr. *Johnson*, Sir *Jos. Jekill*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Cooper*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Dolben*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Fra. Windham*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Vernon*, Lord *Spencer*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *John Holland*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Liddell*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Boyle*, Sir *Fra. Blake*, Mr. *Fox*, Mr. *Cocks*, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. *Etterick*, Lord *Ranelagh*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Pelham*, Colonel *Wharton*, Mr. *Grahme*, Sir *Row. Gwyn*, Mr. *Foley*, Lord *Powlet*, Mr. *Harcey*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Mr. *Pendarvis* reported, from the Committee appointed to examine the Lists of Commissioners Names for the Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom, the Seven Persons Names upon whom the Majority falls; viz.

<i>Francis Scobell</i> Esquire - - - - -	188.
<i>William Bromley</i> Esquire, of <i>Warwickshire</i> - - - - -	186.
<i>James Bridges</i> Esquire - - - - -	185.
<i>Henry St. Johns</i> Esquire - - - - -	184.

Sir

Sir *Godfrey Copley* Baronet - - - 182.  
*Robert Bierly* Esquire - - - 182.  
*Thomas Coke* Esquire - - - 181.

Ordered, That the ingrossed Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom be read the Third time Tomorrow Morning.

Abuses in  
Victualling  
Department.

Mr. *Harley*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee appointed to examine into the Matter of the Complaint of a great Abuse committed in her Majesty's Brewhouse *St. Catharine's*, the Matter, as it appeared to them; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

That the Committee had examined into the Matter; and find it to be as followeth; viz.

*Charles Hore* informed the Committee, That he had been a labouring Servant in the said Brewhouse about Five Years, from which he was discharged in January last was Twelvemonth: And that, in June last, he acquainted an Officer of the Excise, that there was great Abuse committed at the said Brewhouse, by taking Ten, Twelve, or more Barrels, of the First Worts, out of every Brewing of Sea Beer; which, in Winter, was generally Four times a Week, and, in Summer once a Fortnight, or Month, as Occasion required: That those Worts were taken publicly by the Servants of the Brewhouse, who are Sixteen or Seventeen in Number; their Allowance, as they say, being a Gallon or Two a-piece per Day, which they have conveyed into their particular Cellars; and thinks it is impossible they should drink so much Beer, though he cannot say they sold it: And said, it was always the Custom for the Servants to drink the Worts, but the Bakers drank only the common Sea Beer:

That he has cleansed Ten or Twelve Barrels of the First Worts of a Brewing several times, of Sea Beer, by the Order of *William Marshall*, the Head Brewer there, as the Servants Beer, which was carried into their several secret Places; which the Excise Officers never found out, till *Hore* told them: But when they brewed Petty Warrant Beer, there was not taken above a Firkin or Two out of a Brewing:

That he has heard Pursers say, They would sell the King's Beer; which though he cannot say they did, yet *John Tomkins*, a Lighterman, and *Tho. Bray*, Waterman, who used to carry the Beer on board the King's Ships, have returned the empty Casks the same Tide: And said, That he never informed the Commissioners of the Victualling of the Matters aforesaid; but told one Mr. *Denniston*, an Excise Officer, of it; who laid it before the Commissioners of Excise; where *Hore* had sworn it.

Mr. *Edw. Denniston*, a Surveyor General of the Excise, said, That, long before he knew *Hore*, the Informant was a Surveyor of the Division within which the said Brewhouse stands; and, making his Surveys, he found a great Disproportion of the Worts between the Backs and the Tons; and ordered the Excise Officers to be watchful of the Frauds he suspected; acquainting the Commissioners of the Excise, from time to time, of such Disproportion; of which he had made an Entry, the Seventh of February One thousand Seven hundred, in his Leidger: That it must proceed from some unfair Practice of the Servants, there being missed One hundred Twenty-nine Barrels and Two Firkins in the Five Brewings following; viz.

	Barrels	Firkins
9 <sup>o</sup> October 1700 - - -	23	3
30 Ditto - - -	34	2
19 November - - -	22	1
18 January - - -	28	3
26 February 1701 - - -	20	1
	129	2

And that, on the First of March instant, there was missed but One Firkin of that Brewing:

That, in June last, *Hore* acquainted him of Abuses

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committed at the said Brewhouse; whereof he told the Commissioners of Excise, who ordered him to use his Endeavours to detect that Fraud: And, on the Eighteenth of July, he took some Officers to his Assistance, to search the said Brewhouse; and inquired for Mr. *Moor* the Clerk: Who not being there, he asked Mr. *Marshall*, the Workman Brewer, what Strong Beer he had that was cleansed of that Guile: And *Marshall* said, They had none; Upon which *Denniston* demanded the Keys of the several Storehouses; which *Marshall* denied, giving abusive Language: But, *Denniston* threatening to break open the Doors, the Keys were produced; and then was found,

	Barrels	Firkins
In Mr. <i>Wright's</i> Storehouse - - -	4	0
In Mr. <i>King's</i> Storehouse - - -	6	0
In Mr. <i>Harris's</i> Cellar - - -	2	1
In <i>Timinen's</i> Storehouse - - -	3	0
In <i>Yardman's</i> Storehouse - - -	2	0
In <i>Stoker's</i> Storehouse - - -	1	2
In the Iron Storehouse - - -	2	2
In the Brewer's Hop-loft - - -	2	0
In the Miller's - - -	1	0
Behind the Third Square - - -	7	3
In all, Barrels - - -	32	0

All Strong Beer, and in Quality, worth 18 s. or 20 s. per Barrel; Twenty-six of them being new, and One Guile, in the Opinion of all the other Officers to his Assistance, who tasted and tried the same:

But that there was in Mr. *King's* Cellar, about Four Barrels of common Brewers Beer, of 40 s. per Barrel; a Copy of which Report he delivered to the Commissioners for Victualling:

That there is a continual Miss of the Worts, as appears by their Leidger-books: And that they keep as exact Accounts of the King's Brewhouses, as of the common Brewers; and can charge them, if . . . could prove Sale of the Drink; which the Commissioners of Excise could not do: But the Servants of the said Brewhouse still continue the same Practice; notwithstanding that he went, by Order of the Board of Excise, and acquainted the Commissioners of the Victualling therewith:

That he was ordered, on the Fifth of August last, to go to the Commissioners of the Victualling, for a List of the Servants Names belonging to the said Brewhouse; which he had: And they attended the Commissioners of Excise; and were examined accordingly:

That this Want of Worts is, when they brew Sea Beer; for, when they brew Petty Warrant Beer, it then answers to a Firkin; it being so small, that it is not worth the Servants while to run it; the Six last Brewings in Petty Warrant being such; and then all answered very well:

That Captain *Francis Davison* told him, He could buy Beer cheaper at the King's Brewhouse, by 18 s. or 19 s. per Tun, than either at *Newcastle* or *London*: And that he, at that time, had a Tun and a Half on board, which cost him but 45 s.

*Benj. Wilks*, Brewer, said, That he deals with the *Danes* and *Swedes* for Beer: And the Masters of Ships have bought Three and Four Tuns at a time of the King's Beer; some of the Butts were emptied into the Master's own Casks, and others were sold, with the King's Casks, for Half the Value: And asking the Master how he got the Beer, whether from the King's Brewhouse, or of a Purser, he refused to tell him: And that the Informant said, He had lost near 300 l. a Year in his Trade by this Practice.

To answer this Complaint;

Mr. *Moor*, the Clerk, *William Marshall*, the Brewer, and other Servants of the Brewhouse, attended the Committee; and were examined: And claiming a Right to take of the First Worts for their own drinking; denying any Sale, or other Embezzlement of the Beer; or that Mr. *Denniston* was ever denied Leave to search, or had any ill Language from them, but the Keys as soon as he

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called for them: And that the most they took at a time, out of any Cuile of Beer, was Three Barrels and a Half, and sometimes but a Barrel; and that the Beer is so bitter, that they must keep it a Month or Six Weeks before they can drink it: And that the Servants Allowance continues all the Year round; though, in the Summer they brew but once a Fortnight, or once a Month, as there is Need.

And *Marshall* said, That if there were Thirty-two Barrels of Beer found by Mr. *Denniston*, in the Places aforesaid, yet some of them were not full; and that they were of several Guiles; particularly Six Barrels behind the Third Square, which was for the Baker's drinking, and was but common Sea Beer; and Two other Barrels, to make up the Mens Complement, were of several Brewings:

That he, hearing that Complaint was made to the Commissioners of Excise, touching Embezzlements of the Beer at the said Brewhouse, went to them, desiring that they would send their Officers to see the Beer drawn off the Backs into the Tuns, as often as they pleased, and observe how they answered one another; but no Officer came for that Purpose, as he knows of.

*John Dolby* said, That he had been a Servant in the said Brewhouse near Eleven Years: And that when Mr. *Denniston* searched the House, there were Six or Eight of the Barrels discovered by him, then working, which were of the Second or Third Wort, for the Bakers Use: And that, when they brew but seldom, they take more than when they brew Three or Four times a Week; and never took above Three Barrels and an Half at a time, and sometimes but a Barrel in a Week.

The Commissioners of Excise acquainted the Committee, That they, having received an Account of great Abuses committed in the King's Brewhouse, ordered *Edw. Denniston* to endeavour to discover the same: That, upon the Report made to them by *Denniston*, they sent him to acquaint the Commissioners of the Victualling with it; and desired them to send their Servants to the Excise Office, to be examined: But there being no proof of any Sale, they examined no further, but ordered *Denniston* to acquaint the Commissioners of Victualling therewith.

That the Commissioners of the Victualling Office acquainted the Committee, That, upon the Information given them by *Denniston*, they inquired into the Matter: And said, They did what they could to detect the said Fraud; and, in order thereto, examined the Servants of the Brewhouse touching the same: Who denied the taking away any Worts but what was for the Use of the Servants, as had been usually practised: That they sent their Officers to examine the Beer found by Mr. *Denniston*; who were of Opinion, That the said Beer was not worth above 10 or 12 s. per Barrel: That he never gave them any further Account of the same: That the Commissioners desired *Denniston* to be present when they examined the Servants of the Brewhouse; but that he was not there, though they gave him all possible Encouragement to find out any Abuse; and desired him to inform them if he found any, which he promised to do: And further said, That it is the Duty of the Clerk of the Brewhouse, to see that the Drink be of its full Strength.

Mr. *Mitchell*, Secretary to the Victualling Office, said, That Mr. *Denniston* was at the Victualling Office that Day the Commissioners examined the Servants of the Brewhouse; but *Denniston* went away, saying, He did not think it proper for him to stay, the Commissioners of Excise intending to examine the Matter: And that he desired *Denniston* to give the Victuallers an Account of the same; but knows not that he came again, but for a List of the Servants, or that he was ever summoned after:

That *Mitchell*, and others, tasted the Beer the same Day that *Denniston* complained; and it seemed to them to be 10 or 12 s. Beer; and it was all the same as he tasted, as the Servants informed.

*Resolved*, That it appears to this House, That there hath been a great Abuse committed in her Majesty's Brewhouse at *St. Catharine's*, by drawing off the First Worts; to the Defrauding of her Majesty, and Prejudice of the Seamen.

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*Resolved*, That the Pretence of taking Perquisites in her Majesty's Office of Victualling tends much to the Prejudice of her Majesty's Service.

*Ordered*, That the said Resolutions be laid before her Majesty, by way of Address, by such Members of this House as are of her Majesty's most honourable Privy Council.

Colonel *Granville*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown: And the same was received. Queen's Household.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned. Supply Bill; Subsidies and Land Tax.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the said Bill; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Friday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Matter touching the Arrears standing out, relating to the publick Funds, be taken into Consideration upon Monday Morning next. Arrears of Publick Funds.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the repeal of the Clause in the Act for settling the Trade to *Africa*, relating to the Exportation of Copper, be read To-morrow Morning. Exporting Copper.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Consideration of the Petition of the Merchants trading to the *English Plantations in America* was referred, be made To-morrow Morning. Sending Servants to Plantations.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Jovis, 19° die Martii;

Anno 1° Annæ Reginae.

#### PRAYERS.

A PETITION of *Daniel Van Ryssen*, *Lewis Pasque-areau*, and *John Cuzalet*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That they are Protestants, and have given good Testimony of their Loyalty to her Majesty; but that they are Foreigners born: And . . . . . That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for their Naturalization. Ryssen's, &c. Nat.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Sir *Joseph Tredenham* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Sir *Robert Jenkinson*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the more effectual Settlement of the Estate of *John Stone*, of *Baldwin Brightwell*, in the County of *Oxon*, Esquire, in his Family and Name: And the same was received. Stone's Estate.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

The Lord *Cheine*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable *Jeffery Palmer* Esquire to settle a Jointure upon *Elizabeth* his Wife: And the same was received. Palmer's Estate.

Mr. *Bere*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to enable Trustees to make Sale of Part of the Estate of *Bury's* Estate. Bury's Estate.

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of *Humphry Bury*, for paying off a Mortgage, and a Portion charged thereupon: And the same was received.

Hunt's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable the Trustees of *John Hunt* Esquire, deceased, to sell Timber, for the Payment of his Debts and Legacies, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Wightwick's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the settling and vesting divers Manors, and Lands, of *Francis Wightwick*, an Infant, lying in the County of *Stafford*, in Trustees, to enable them to settle and convey the same, upon the Marriage of the said *Francis Wightwick*, to such Uses, Intents, and Purposes, as shall be agreed upon, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Pagit*, do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the Bill, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Gower's  
Estate.

*Mr. Gwyn* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Sale of the Manor of *Attingham*, alias *Atsham*, in the County of *Salop*, settled in Jointure on *Ellen* the Wife of *William Gower* Esquire; and for settling a Farm called *Selly Hall*, and a Moiety of the Manor of *St. John* in *Bedwardin*, in the County of *Worcester*, of better Value, to the like Uses, in lieu thereof; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations in the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Warner's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Warner Lee*, alias *Warner Warner*, to make a Jointure upon his Marriage, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That *Sir Thomas Hales* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Unwholesome  
Brandies.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Walpole*, *Sir Walter Yonge*, *Sir John Holland*, *Mr. Lake*, *Mr. Townsend*, *Sir Jeff. Jeffries*, *Mr. Tredenham*, *Sir Tho. Cook*, *Mr. Bertie*, *Mr. Stockdale*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent the making unwholesome and unmerchantable Brandies from Corn; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of *French Brandies*; is committed.

Privateers.

*Ordered*, That the Committee appointed to receive Proposals, for the better Encouragement of Privateers, in the *West Indies*, do sit upon *Saturday* Morning next.

Estates given  
to superstitious  
Uses.

*Resolved*, That the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*; be now read a Second time.

The Bill was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed, upon the Debate of the House, to *Sir Joseph Tredenham*, Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, *Sir Tho. Powis*, *Sir John Thorold*, Lord *Coningsby*, *Sir Fran. Blake*, *Sir Jos. Jekill*, Colonel *Granville*, *Mr. Hutton*, *Mr. Smith*, *Mr. Woollaston*, *Sir Cha. Hotham*, *Sir Rowland Gwyn*, *Mr. Dormer*, *Mr. St. John*, *Mr. Solicitor General*, Colonel *Stanhope*, *Sir Fra. Mas-*

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*sam*, *Mr. Lee*, *Mr. Fagg*, Lord *Fairfax*, *Mr. Dyot*, *Mr. Colchester*, *Mr. Pagit*, *Mr. Yates*, *Mr. Owen*, *Sir Hen. Colt*, Lord *Dysert*, *Mr. Clark*, *Mr. Thornburgh*, *Mr. Harris*, *Mr. Hysham*, *Mr. White*, *Sir John Packington*, *Dr. Newton*, *Mr. Onslow*, *Mr. Fortescue*, *Sir John Phillips*, *Mr. Vane*, *Sir Wm. Ashurst*, *Mr. Bere*, *Sir Cha. Barrington*; and all the Gentlemen of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

A Petition of *Francis Godolphin* Esquire, Nephew and Heir, and One of the Administrators, of *Sir William Godolphin* Knight, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bill depending in the House for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*, if it should pass into a Law, will greatly prejudice the Petitioner's Right to the real and personal Estate of the said *Sir William Godolphin*, settled by Act of Parliament: And praying, That a Clause may be inserted in the said Bill, for saving the Petitioner's said Right.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee.

Estates given  
to superstitious  
Uses.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Frances* Countess Dowager of *Tyrconnell*, the Relict of *Richard* Earl of *Tyrconnell*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, deceased, was read the Third time.

And an Amendment was proposed to be made in Press last, L. 5. after "*Ireland*," to insert "her Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Frances* Countess of *Tyrconnell*, Relict of *Richard* late Earl of *Tyrconnell*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That *Sir Thomas Littleton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Countess of  
Tyrconnell's  
Relief.

*Ordered*, That the rest of the Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, be read To-morrow Morning.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

A Bill for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown, was read the First time.

Queen's  
Household.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

An ingrossed Bill for taking the publick Accounts of the Kingdom was read the Third time.

Publick  
Accounts.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That none of the Commissioners should have any Place:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

And then the Commissioners Names were inserted into the Bill; and the Blank for the *Quorum* filled up by the House.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for taking, examining, and stating the publick Accounts of the Kingdom.

*Ordered*, That *Sir Joseph Jekill* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration that Part of her Majesty's most gracious Speech, wick relates to the Union with *Scotland*.

Union with  
Scotland.

And her Majesty's Speech was read by *Mr. Speaker*.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for enabling her Majesty to appoint Commissioners to treat for an Union between the Kingdoms of *England* and *Scotland*;

The previous Question was put, That that Question be now put;

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The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir Rowland Gwyn, } 131.  
                                   { Sir Walter Yonge :

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Bridges, } 96.  
                                   { Colonel Bierly :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question being put ;

*Resolved*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for enabling her Majesty to appoint Commissioners to treat for an Union between the Kingdoms of *England* and *Scotland*: And that Sir Rowland Gwyn, Mr. Secretary Vernon, and Colonel Stanhope, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, at Ten a Clock, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And that the Trustees in Town do then attend.

Sending  
Servants to  
Plantations.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Merchants trading to the *English* Plantations in *America*, was referred, be made To-morrow Morning.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 20<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

Anno 1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Regiæ.

#### PRAYERS.

Oath of  
Abjuration.

*ORDERED*, That the Committee appointed to consider of the Oath in the late Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; and what Variations are necessary to be made, by reason of the unfortunate Death of his late Majesty; do withdraw into the Speaker's Chamber, and consider of the said Variations; and report the same to the House.

Palmer's  
Estate.

A Bill to enable *Geoffry Palmer* Esquire to settle a Jointure upon *Elizabeth* his Wife, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Rose's Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming the Title of *Thomas Rose* Gentleman, to Lands called *Rempstone*; and for Sale of Lands called *Curran's-court* in the County of *Dorset*, for Payment of the Debts of *William Rose* Gentleman, deceased; and for settling the Manor of *Cheddar Fitz Walters*, in the County of *Somerset*, with the Overplus on the said Sale, on *Mary Rose*, an Infant, Daughter of the said *William*, in lieu of Three thousand Pounds Portion for the said Infant; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Fran. Massam*, Sir *Francis Warr*, Mr. *Fagg*, Mr. *Clarke*, Sir *Justinian Isham*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Fowndes*, Mr. *Poole*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Woolcombe*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Snell*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Parker*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Mr. *Mansell*, Sir *William Drake*, Sir *Hen. Colt*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Trenchard*, Mr. *Winnington*, Mr. *Hele*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Banks*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Dorset*, *Devon*, and *Somerset*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Estates given  
to supersti-  
tious Uses.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Shepherd*, Sir *Tho. Mackworth*, Mr. *Morley*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *Harpur*, be added to the Com-

mittee, to whom the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*; is committed.

A Petition of *William Cecil* Esquire, Sir *Francis Child* Knight, *Noah Neal* Esquire, and *Peter Walter* Gentleman, Trustees for Payment of the Debts, Funeral Charges, and Legacies, of *John* late Earl of *Exeter*, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said Earl was, in his Life-time, seised in Fee-simple of divers Manors and Lands, in the Counties of *Lincoln* and *Northampton*, of about 2,000*l.* per Annum Value; which, by his last Will, he devised to the Petitioners, and their Heirs, to pay his Debts, Legacies, and Funeral, by the Rents and Profits, or Mortgage of the Premises; That his Debts and Legacies amount to about 30,000*l.* and nobody will lend Money sufficient upon the said Estate, to perform the Trusts in the Will; which cannot be done but by Sale of the Estate, which the Petitioners have no Power to do by the Will: And praying, That Leave may be given to bring in a Bill for Sale of the said Manors and Lands, for Payment of the Debts, Legacies, and Funeral Charges, of the said Earl.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Mr. *Dormer* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

An ingrossed Bill to explain or alter the Act, made in the Two-and-twentieth Year of King *Henry* the Eighth, concerning Repairing and Amending of Bridges in the Highways, was read the Third time.

And an Amendment was proposed to be made therein: Press 1. L. \* to leave out "Directions," and insert "Discretions," instead thereof:

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to explain and alter the Act, made in the Two-and-twentieth Year of King *Henry* the Eighth, concerning Repairing and Amending of Bridges in the Highways, and for Repealing an Act made in the Twenty-third Year of Queen *Elizabeth*, for Re-edifying of *Cardiffe* Bridge, in the County of *Glamorgan*; and also for changing the Day of Election of the Wardens and Assistants of *Rochester* Bridge.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Farrer* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable the Right Honourable Lady *Henrietta Obrien*, Mother and Guardian of the Right Honourable *Henry* Earl of *Thomond*, an Infant, to make Leases of his Estate in *Ireland*, for the Discharging of Incumbrances thereon, and of a Charge of Four thousand Pounds for his Sister's Portion, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Pagit*, Sir *Justinian Isham*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Lord *Fairfax*, Mr. *Hayes*, Lord *Orrory*, Mr. *Woolcomb*, Mr. *Mansell*, Mr. *Winnington*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Tho. Powis*, Mr. *Cartwright*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *Edw. Hassell*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Mr. *Walpole*, Sir *Wm. Robinson*, Mr. *Neville*, Mr. *Chandler*, Mr. *Wilde*, Sir *Jacob Banks*, Mr. *Dyot*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Sir *Chr. Hales*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Roberts*, Mr. *Leake*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Northampton* and *Warwick*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Mr. *Dolben*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Charlotte Talbott*: And the same was received.

Sir *Charles Hedges*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the better Sale of the forfeited and other Estates, and Interests, in *Ireland*, towards Payment of

Earl of  
Exeter's  
Estate.

Bridges in  
Highways.

Earl of  
Thomond's  
Estate.

Talbott's  
Relief.

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of the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service: And the same was received.

Jews  
Protestant  
Children.

Sir *Thomas Powis*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for obliging the Jews to maintain, and provide for, their Protestant Children: And the same was received.

Keightley's  
Relief.

Mr. *Ogle* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Thomas Keightley* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Call of the  
House.

Ordered, That the House be called over upon *Thursday* Sevensnight: And that such Members as shall not then attend, be sent for in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do write circular Letters to the respective Sheriffs of *England* and *Wales*, to summon the Members who are in the Country to attend the Service of the House upon *Thursday* Sevensnight, being the Second Day of April next.

And the Letter is as followeth; viz.

From the House of Commons:

Sir, March the 20th, 1701-2.

THE House of Commons have taken Notice of the Absence of several of their Members; I am commanded to acquaint you with it, that you may give immediate Summons to all the Members of this House, Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, within your County, to attend their Service in Parliament on *Thursday* the Second Day of April next, notwithstanding any Leave for Absence; the House of Commons intending to proceed further with all Severity against all such of their Members as shall then neglect their Attendance: And you are to give an Account of the Receipt of this, and what you have done hereupon, unto, Sir,

Your humble Servant.

Explaining  
7 W. III.  
for Security  
of King's  
Person.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for explaining a Clause in an Act made at the Parliament begun and holden at *Westminster* the Twenty-second of November, in the Seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King *William* the Third, intituled, An Act for the better Security of his Majesty's Person and Government, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Etterick* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Queen's  
Household.

A Bill for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the Petition of the Agents, Planters, and Merchants, concerned in, and trading to the Island of *Barbadoes*, which was ordered to lie upon the Table to be considered, be referred to the said Committee.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do consider of the best and most effectual

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Ways for the Preservation of the Island of *Barbadoes*, and the *Leeward Islands*.

A Petition of *Thomas* Lord Viscount *Dupplin*, in the Kingdom of *Scotland*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That *William* late Earl of *Kennoul*, the present Earl's Father, was seised in Fee of the *Barbadoes* and *Caribbee* Islands; and, upon the Surrender of his Title therein to the Crown, King *Charles* the Second granted him 600*l.* per Annum for Five Years, and One thousand Pound per Annum, after that Term, to him and his Heirs, payable out of the Duty of 4½ per Centum arising within the said Island; to which the Petitioner is now intitled, for a valuable Consideration: And praying, That the Petitioner may not be divested of his Right to the said 1,000*l.* per Annum; but that the same may be secured to him, as the House shall think fit.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do take care to make Provision in the said Bill, that the Revenues of the Crown, in the said Bill mentioned, may not be alienated.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Hoskins* and Mr. *Rogers*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Warner Lee*, alias *Warner Warner*, to make a Jointure upon his Marriage: And also,

To the Amendments made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the settling and vesting divers Manors and Lands of *Francis Wightwick*, an Infant, lying in the County of *Stafford*, in Trustees, to enable them to settle and convey the same, upon the Marriage of the said *Francis Wightwick*, to such Uses, Intents, and Purposes, as shall be agreed upon: And also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for reviving the Act, intituled, An Act for exempting Apothecaries from serving the Offices of Constable, Scavenger, and other Parish and Ward Offices; and from serving upon Juries; with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the better Encouragement of Privateers.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to proceed further upon the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the said Bill; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, was committed, be taken into Consideration upon *Monday* Morning next.

Ordered, That the Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures be read To-morrow Morning.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Consideration of the Petition of the Merchants trading

Lord  
Dupplin's  
Claims on  
4½ per Cent.  
Duties.

Warner's  
Estate.

Wightwick's  
Estate.

Apothecaries  
exempt from  
Parish  
Offices.

Privateers.

Supply Bill;  
Subsidies and  
Land Tax.

Whitby  
Harbour.

Irish For-  
feitures.

Sending  
Servants to  
Plantations.



trading to the *English Plantations in America* was referred, be made To-morrow Morning.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 21° die Martii;*

Anno 1° Annæ Regiæ.

PRAYERS.

Sending  
Servants to  
Plantations.

**M**R. Clayton, according to Order, reported, from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Merchants trading to the *English Plantations in America* was referred, the Matter, as it appeared, together with the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table; Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

That they had examined the Matter thereof; and find the same, upon Information of several Witnesses, to be as followeth:

Mr. Perry, Merchant, said, That there are many ill Persons about Town, who make it their Business to be troublesome to Merchants, and Masters of Vessels, trading to the Plantations, upon Pretence of procuring them Servants and Workmen to be transported thither: And although such Servants and Workmen have sworn before a Justice of Peace, that they are not married, nor any other Person's Servant; and have bound themselves at a certain Office, for that Purpose, called the Plantation Office; yet, afterwards, the Merchants, and Masters of Vessels, have been often prosecuted as Persons that have trepanned, or enticed away, such Servants from their former Masters, or from their Wives and Families: So that though it is absolutely necessary, that the Plantations should be supplied with Servants and Workmen; yet there are so many Tricks, and troublesome Suits, that Merchants cannot safely agree for them, nor the Masters of Vessels carry them to the Plantations:

That there are Persons who pretend to come out of the Country for Employment, and bind themselves at the said Office as Servants; and, when cloathed, and gotten on board, some of their own Gang go and search for them, and afterwards sue the Merchant, or Master of the Vessel, for Kidnappers, when they themselves, are the Persons, merely to extort Money from them, by way of Composition:

That, last Year, a Woman came to Mr. Perry, and complained, That her Husband was kidnapped away in a Ship of his; and therefore he must keep her, and her Four Children; and she brought several of her Parishioners, and made a very great Clamour; threatening to sue Mr. Perry; upon which he wrote away immediately to the Master of the Ship, which, by Accident, was Wind-bound at *Cowes*, to put the Woman's Husband on Shore; and, as good Luck was, the Master received the Letter, and discharged the Man; but Mr. Perry lost all his Passage-money, and what was laid out in Cloaths; notwithstanding such married Man had sworn before a Justice of Peace, that he was a single Man, and had fairly bound himself as a Servant at the said Office:

That, about Two Years since, one *Daniel Watts* was bound in a Voyage to *Virginia*, to carry Servants thither: That the Servants were all examined, and produced their Indentures at *Gravesend*, according to Custom; after which, a Man came on board to search for his Servant, whom he found, whose Name was *Moor*; but had bound himself by the false Name of *Merchant*; That, after *Watts* returned from his Voyage, *Moor's* Master arrested *Watts*, on a *Capias in Withernam*, and committed Prisoner to *Newgate*; and the said Master demanded a Hundred Guineas for the Loss of his Servant: That *Watts* offered him Sixty Guineas; which not being accepted, the said Master prosecuted *Watts* in the King's Bench; where

Seven or Eight Motions were had; but the Plaintiff delayed his Declaration, thinking to bring *Watts* to his Terms rather than lose a Voyage he was then bound in; but *Watts* petitioned the then Lord Keeper, from whom the said *Capias* issued, who granted a *Supersedeas* thereon; yet he lost his intended Voyage, was imprisoned, and spent a great deal of Money; though he was only employed, as Master of the Vessel, to carry the Servants as Passengers; and knew not the said Servant, nor that he had a Master; and was to have but Six Pounds for his Passage:

That, about Three Terms since, a Trial was had at *Guildhall* against a Merchant, who had contracted with a Wheelwright, that seemed to be Four or Five-and-twenty Years of Age: who bound himself at the said Office, and swore himself to be free from Servitude: The Action was brought by a Wheelwright of *St. Albans*, who declared, That the young Fellow was his Servant; and Judgment was given against the Defendant for 40*l.*; and believes it cost him near 40*l.* more.

That, about a Fortnight since, a young Fellow bound himself at the said Office, by a false Name; and the Person, to whom he was bound, is now committed a Prisoner in *Newgate*; and the Merchant, for whose Service he was bound, is threatened to be sued; and great Composition is demanded.

Mr. Braddle, Merchant, said, That *Watts* is not the only Person that has suffered by Imprisonment; but one *Willmore*, a Merchant of considerable Substance, was utterly ruined by Imprisonment, and Prosecution on a *Capias in Withernam*.

That they had many other Instances of the Hardships they labour under, which they had many Merchants ready to prove; but the Committee did not think it necessary to examine any further.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to the Resolutions following; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of the Committee, That the Petitioners have fully proved the Allegations of their Petition.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the House be moved for Leave to bring in a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition.

The said Resolutions, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent vexatious Suits for taking on board, and transporting Servants to the *English Plantations in America*: And that Mr. Clayton do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable the Bishop of *Gloucester*, and his Successors, to make distinct and separate Leases of the Manors, Lands, and Premises, therein mentioned, was read the First time.

Bishop of  
Gloucester's  
Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill, for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the Third time.

Baroness of  
Upper  
Ossory's  
Relief.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That, in case the Premises, confirmed by the Act to the Countess of *Upper Ossory*, shall exceed Eighty Pounds per Annum; yet that the House, Garden, and Appurtenances, wherein she now dwells, shall be enjoyed by her as Part of Eighty Pounds per Annum:

And the same was twice read; and amended; and then the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Thomas Littleton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

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Appreese's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, to enable *Robert Appreese* the elder, and *Robert Appreese* the younger, to raise Money out of their Estate for Payment of a Debt due to his Majesty, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable *Robert Appreese* the elder, and *Robert Appreese* the younger, Esquires, to raise Money out of their Estate, for Payment of a Debt due to her Majesty, and other Debts.

*Ordered*, That *Sir Edward Hussey* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Estates  
given to  
superstitious  
Uses.

A Petition of *Sir Charles Brown* Baronet, *Henry Farmer*, *Ralph Sheldon*, *Thomas Stoner*, *John Weldon*, Esquires, *Robert Kilby*, Gentleman, and *Winifred Brook*, Widow, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That on the Sixteenth Day of October One thousand Seven hundred, an Inquisition was taken at *Wheatly*, in the County of *Oxon*, before *John La Pradell*, and other Strangers and Foreigners, on the Oaths of one *Lunt* and *Nevill*, and other obscure mean Persons; where, without producing any Deed, or Copy of any Deed, the Petitioners Estates, which, for valuable Considerations of Marriage, were, long before the Time mentioned in the Inquisition, settled on the Petitioners, and their Families, are found to be given to Popish superstitious Uses: That the said Inquisition was never returned into the Petty Bag, or Exchequer, as by Law they ought; but they are kept secretly by *Lunt*, *Neville*, and their Accomplices, in order to molest the Petitioners, as they shall see Occasion: And praying, That a Clause may be added to the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*; that the said Inquisition may not prejudice the Petitioners; and that the said Bill may not tend to charge such Estates as have been settled in Marriage, or purchased for a valuable Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed: And that *Sir Robert Jenkinson* and *Mr. Bromley* be added to the said Committee.

Vernon's  
Relief.

A Petition of *Thomas Carter* Gentleman was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, pursuant to an Agreement with the Trustees for *Irish Forfeitures*, the Petitioner, at great Expence and Trouble, made it out, That they were, by the Act of Resumption, intituled to the Lands *Clontarfe* and *Holy Brook*, in *Com' Dublin*, by the Attainder of *Mrs. Mary Vernon*, as appears by their Certificate, and Report upon her Petition; and the Petitioner conceives, and is advised, he is intituled to a fourth Part of the said Lands, by virtue of the said Act: That there is a Bill depending in the House for Relief of the said *Mary Vernon*: And praying, That he may be heard touching his said Right, before the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until the said Bill be read a Second time.

Half-pay.

A Petition of the Officers in Half-pay was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, upon the Vote of this House, That the Petitioners should be paid out of the Funds for Guards and Garisons, . . . applied to the Lords of the Treasury; and have been answered, That no Money remains for that Service: That the Petitioners have been subsisted upon the Credit of this House ever since the Eighteenth of August last; and are under Apprehensions of being arrested by their Creditors, and stopt from going to their Commands: And praying, That the House will take their pressing Necessities into Consideration.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table until a Clause of Appropriation be brought in.

Supply Bill;  
Tax on  
Grants.

*Mr. Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for granting an Aid to her Majesty, by a Tax upon all beneficial Grants of Lands, Pensions, Annuities,

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and Offices, in *England*, *Wales*, and the Town of *Berwick upon Tweed*, now in being, which have been granted from the Crown since the Twenty-ninth day of May One thousand Six hundred and Sixty: And the same was received.

*Sir John Packington*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Robert Edgeworth* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish Forfeitures*: And the same was received. Edgeworth's Relief.

*Mr. Dormer*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Sale of certain Manors and Lands of *John* late Earl of *Exeter*, for Payment of the Debts, Funeral, and Legacies, of the said Earl: And the same was received. Earl of Exeter's Estate.

A Bill to recompence *Philip Savage* Esquire for the Charge of Outlawries, and attending the Trustees for the *Irish Forfeitures*, was read the First time. Irish Forfeitures.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the Relief of *William* Lord Viscount *Mountjoy* was read the First time. Lord Mountjoy's Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Sir Rowland Gwyn* reported from the Committee appointed to consider of the Oath in the late Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; and what Variations are necessary to be made, by reason of the unfortunate Death of his late Majesty; That they had considered the Matter to them referred; and had made the Variations which they conceive necessary; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

## The OATH.

I A. B. do truly and sincerely acknowledge, profess, testify, and declare, in my Conscience, before God and the World, That our Sovereign Lord King *William* is lawful and rightful King of this Realm, and of all other his Majesty's Dominions and Countries thereunto belonging: And I do solemnly and sincerely declare, That I do believe, in my Conscience, That the Person pretended to be Prince of *Wales* during the Life of the late King *James*, and, since his Decease, pretending to be, and taking upon himself the Stile and Title of, King of *England*, by the Name of *James* the Third, hath not any Right or Title whatsoever to the Crown of this Realm, or any other the Dominions thereto belonging: And I do renounce, refuse, and abjure, any Allegiance or Obedience to him: And I do swear, That I will bear Faith and true Allegiance to his Majesty King *William*, and him will defend, to the utmost of my Power, against all traitorous Conspiracies and Attempts whatsoever, which shall be made against his Person, Crown, or Dignity: And I will do my best Endeavour to disclose, and make known to his Majesty, and his Successors, all Treasons, and traitorous Conspiracies, which I shall know to be against him, or any of them: And I do faithfully promise, to the utmost of my Power, to support, maintain, and defend, the Limitation and Succession of the Crown, against him the said *James*, and all other Persons whatsoever, as the same is, and stands limited, by an Act, intituled, An Act declaring the Rights and Liberties of the Subject, and settling the Succession of the Crown to his Majesty, during his Majesty's Life; and, after his Majesty's Decease, to the Princess *Anne* of *Denmark*, and the Heirs of her Body, being Protestants; and, for Default of such Issue, to the Heirs of the Body of his Majesty, being Protestants: And as the same, by one other Act, intituled, An Act for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject, is, and stands limited, after the Decease

Decease of his Majesty and the Princess *Anne* of *Denmark*, and for default of Issue of the said Princess, and of his Majesty, respectively, to the Princess *Sophia* Electress and Duchess Dowager of *Hanover*, and the Heirs of her Body, being Protestants: And all these things I do plainly and sincerely acknowledge, and swear, according to these express Words by me spoken, according to the plain and common Sense and Understanding of the same Words, without any Equivocation, mental Evasion, or secret Reservation whatsoever: And I do make this Recognition, Acknowledgement, Abjuration, Renunciation, and Promise, heartily, willingly, and truly, upon the true Faith of a Christian. So help me GOD.

The said Variations.

Fol. 1. L. 2. leave out "Lord King *William*," and insert "Lady Queen *Anne*."

L. 3. leave out "King," and insert "Queen;" and, in the same Line, leave out "his," and insert "her."

L. 11. leave out "his," and insert "her."

L. 12. leave out "King *William*," and insert "Queen *Anne*;" and, in the same line, leave out "him," and insert "her."

L. 14. leave out "his," and insert "her."

L. 15. after "to," leave out "his," and insert "her;" and, after "and," in the same Line, leave out "his," and insert "her."

L. 17. leave out "him," and insert "her."

Fol. 2. L. 1. after "Crown," leave out "to his Majesty, during his Majesty's Life, and, after his Majesty's Decease, to the Princess *Anne* of *Denmark*;" and, instead thereof, insert "to her present Majesty."

L. 3. after "Protestants," leave out "and," "for default of such Issue, to the Heirs of the Body of his Majesty, being Protestants."

L. 7. after "Decease of," leave out "his Majesty, and the Princess *Anne* of *Denmark*;" and, for "default of Issue of the said Princess, and of his Majesty, respectively," and insert "her Majesty;" and, "for default of Issue of her Majesty."

The said Variations, being severally read a Second time were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the said Oath, so amended, be ingrossed upon a Roll of Parchment, to be taken by the House.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to declare the Explanation of the Oath appointed to be taken by the said Act: And that Sir *Christopher Musgrove*, and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to them, That they do bring in a Clause to the said Bill, to declare the Association to be determined; what is contained therein being provided for by the said Oath: And that Mr. Solicitor General, Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Cowper*, and Sir *Tho. Powis*, be added to the Gentlemen who are to prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

Mr. *Annesley* and Mr. *Hooper*, Two of the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, attending, according to Order;

They were called in; and presented to the House an Estimate of the Value of Petitions granted; and also, what is prayed by Petitions not heard; and also, a Particular of *Clanrickard* Estate, which the net Value of what is adjudged forfeited.

And then they withdrew.

And the Titles of the Estimates were read.

And the Estimates are with the other Papers relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures.

Then the House proceeded in the further Consideration of the Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures; and the Reports of the Trustees thereupon.

And the Trustees were called in: And,

The Petition of *Nicolas Bagnall*, of *Place-Newydd*, in the County of *Anglesea*, Esquire, was read; and the Trustees Report thereupon:

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And the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. *Bagnall*, according to the Prayer of his Petition: And that Mr. *Bromly* and Mr. *Brereton* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in;

The Petition of *Francis* Earl of *Carlingford* was read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

And the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That the Earl of *Carlingford* be relieved upon his Petition.

The Trustees being called in;

The Petition of *John* Lord Baron of *Kingston*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, was read; and the Trustees Report thereupon: And also,

The Petition of *John* *Coleman*; and the Trustees Report thereupon: And also,

The Petition of Dame *Anne* *Stapleton*, Widow, Relict and Executrix of Sir *Wm. Stapleton* Baronet, deceased; and the Trustees Report thereupon: And also,

The Petition of Sir *Richard* *Rooth*, a Creditor of the said Lord *Kingston*; and the Report of the Trustees thereupon: All claiming Incumbrances upon the Lord *Kingston*'s Estate:

And the Trustees were heard thereunto.

The Petition of *John* *Hussey*, and *Mary* his Wife, late Widow and Relict of *Charles* *White*, of *Lexlip*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Esquire, deceased; and of *John* *White*, an Infant, Son and Heir of the said *Charles*, by the said *Mary*; was read; and the Trustees Report thereupon:

And the Trustees were heard thereunto.

The Petition of *Thomas* Lord Baron of *Cahir*, in *Ireland*, a Minor, and *Eliz.* Baroness Dowager of *Cahir*, Widow, was read; and the Trustees Report thereupon:

And the Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That the Lord *Kingston* be relieved upon his Petition.

Ordered, That *John* *Hussey*, and *Mary* his Wife, and *John* *White*, be relieved upon their Petition.

Ordered, That the Lord *Cahir* and Lady *Cahir* be relieved upon their Petition.

Ordered, That Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, do prepare, and bring in, a Bill for the Relief of the said Lord *Carlingford*, Lord *Kingston*, Mr. *Hussey* and his Wife, and Lord and Lady *Cahir*.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures; and the Trustees Reports thereupon: And that the Trustees in Town do then attend.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

Committees

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 23<sup>o</sup>, die Martii;*

Anno 1<sup>o</sup> Annæ.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Leave be given to Sir *Joseph* *Jekyll*, Chief Justice of *Chester*, to go his Circuit. Leave of  
Absence.

A Bill to enable Trustees to make Sale of Part of the *Bury*'s Estate of *Humphry* *Bury*, for paying off a Mortgage, and a Portion charged thereupon, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill to enable *Jeffery* *Palmer* Esquire to settle a Jointure upon *Elizabeth* his Wife, was read a Second time.

Resolved,

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Lord *Chenic*, Sir *Mich. Wharton*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Pitfield*, Sir *John Bland*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *William Hustler*, Mr. *Dimock*, Mr. *Bulkly*, Mr. *Bierly*, Mr. *Harpur*, Mr. *Holford*, Mr. *Papillon*, Mr. *Paice*, Mr. *Tilney*, Mr. *Gwyn*, Mr. *Osley*, Mr. *Stonhouse*, Mr. *Lee*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Ekins*, Mr. *Proby*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Lord *Dysert*, Mr. *Hele*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Mr. *Winstanly*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Leicester* and *Northampton*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Stone's  
Estate.

A Bill for the more effectual Settlement of the Estate of *John Stone*, of *Baldwin-Brightwell*, in the County of *Oxon*, Esquire, in his Family and Name, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Robert Jenkinson*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Edw. Norres*, Mr. *Proby*, Mr. *Ro. Bertie*, Mr. *Halscy*, Mr. *Morley*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *Blagrace*, Lord *Chenic*, Mr. *Hysham*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Bierly*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Johnson*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Cook*, Mr. *Pole*, Mr. *Bruges*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Curson*, Mr. *Masters*, Mr. *Pace*, Sir *John Cotton*, Mr. *Gape*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Ja. Bertie*, Mr. *Herne*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Berks* and *Oxon*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Masters of  
Hoys carry-  
ing Provi-  
sions.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other inland Provisions, to the City of *London*, is committed, have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Damasking  
Stuffs.

A Petition of *Thomas Freeman*, *John Rowland*, and *John Mould*, on the behalf of themselves, and many others, using the Art of Damasking, Fixing, and Raising and Embossing, of Figures and Flowers of various Colours upon Leather, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners served their Apprenticeships to the said Art, and have used the same since for the Maintenance of their Families, for several Years; but there is a Bill depending in the House for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing Colours on all Sorts of Stuffs, and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same; which, if it should pass into an Act, will restrain the Petitioners from the Exercise of their Trade: And praying to be heard against the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Holder's  
Escape from  
Fleet Prison.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Samuel Lethelier*, *John Denew*, *William Richardson*, and *Simon Leblond*, on the behalf of themselves, and very many others, Merchants in *England*, and in foreign Parts, Freighters and Insurers in the *Cloudeley Gally*, complaining of the Escape of *John Holder*, of *London*, Merchant, out of the Prison of the *Fleet*, where he was charged by the Lord Chief Justice *Holt* for a Contrivance in taking out the Goods, and afterwards burning the said Ship, upon which he had made great Insurances, was referred, be made upon *Saturday Morning* next.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday Morning* next, after the said Report, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*.

Whitby  
Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, was committed, be further adjourned until *Wednesday Morning* next.

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*Ordered*, That the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, is committed, have Power to receive a Clause of Appropriation for the Navy, Guards, and Garisons, and Land Forces.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for a Court of Conscience for the *Tower Hamlets*, Borough of *Southwark*, *Holbourn* and *Finsbury* Divisions, and all other Places within the Weekly Bills of Mortality, be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the Matter touching the Arrears standing out upon publick Funds be taken into Consideration upon *Wednesday Morning* next, before the House resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Colonel *Granville* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill; and made several Amendments therunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Colonel *Granville* also reported from the said Committee, That they had considered the Instructions in relation to *Barbadoes* and the *Leeward Islands*; and had directed him to make several Motions, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Motions be made To-morrow Morning.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Martis, 24<sup>o</sup> die Martii;

Anno 1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Regiæ.

#### PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker, and the Members present, took the Oath directed in the Act made this Session, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; according to the Variations agreed upon by the House.

Mr. Speaker,  
&c. take the  
Oath of  
Abjuration.

The Orders of the Day being read;

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers.

Privateers.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for a Court of Conscience for the *Tower Hamlets*, Borough of *Southwark*, *Holbourn* and *Finsbury* Divisions, and all other Places within the Weekly Bills of Mortality, be read a Second time upon *Friday Morning* next.

Tower  
Hamlets, &c.  
Small Debts.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for taking, examining, and stating, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom; without any Amendments. Also,

Publick  
Accounts.

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Countess of  
Tyrconell's  
Relief.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *Frances* Countess of *Tyrconell*, Relict of *Richard* late Earl of *Tyrconell*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*; without any Amendments. Also,

Johnson's  
Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting several Lands in the Counties of *Surry* and *Sussex*, the Estate of *Mary Johnson*, Wife of *William Johnson* Gentleman, in Trustees, to be sold for discharging several Mortgages, and other Debts, charged upon the Estate of the said *William Johnson*; and settling his Estate upon his said Wife, and her Children by him, clear of Incumbrances: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Queen's  
Household.

Colonel *Granville*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown, was committed, the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some Amendments to Clause A, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, That Contracts made may be perfected;

The same was once read:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Barbadoes  
4½ per Cent.  
Duties.

Colonel *Granville* also reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move the House, That an humble Address may be made to her Majesty, That the Duty, or Impost, of Four and an Half per Centum, arising in *Barbadoes* and the *Leeward Islands*, subject to an Annuity payable to the Heirs and Assigns of the Earl of *Kinoule*, be applied for the repairing and erecting such Fortifications, and other publick Uses, for the Safety of the said Islands, as her Majesty shall direct: And that an annual Account, how the said Duties shall have been expended, may be laid before the House of Commons.

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, That the Duty, or Impost, of Four and an Half per Centum, arising in *Barbadoes* and the *Leeward Islands*, subject to an Annuity payable to the Heirs and Assigns of the Earl of *Kinoule*, be applied for the repairing and erecting such Fortifications, and other publick Uses, for the Safety of the said Islands, as her Majesty shall direct; and that an annual Account, how the said Duties shall have been expended, may be laid before the House of Commons.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Governors of  
Barbadoes,  
&c.

Colonel *Granville* also reported from the said Committee, That they had directed him to move the House, That an humble Address may be made to her Majesty, That she will please to appoint such Persons to be Governors of the *Barbadoes* and *Leeward Islands*, as are well qualified for that great Trust.

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, That she will please to appoint such Persons to be Governors of the *Barbadoes* and *Leeward Islands*, as are well qualified for that great Trust.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Mercurii, 25° die Martii;

Anno 1° Annæ Regiæ.

PRAYERS.

OTHER Members present took the Oath directed in the Act, made this Session, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; according to the Variations agreed upon by the House.

Members  
take Oath of  
Abjuration.

Ordered, That Leave be given to withdraw the Petition of Sir *Arthur Owen* Baronet, in Behalf, and at the Request, of the Commissioners, and of a great Number of the Freeholders and Inhabitants within the Two Hundreds of *Turkelin* and *Maltraceth*, in the County of *Anglesea*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Ettrick*, Sir *Hen. Lyddell*, Mr. *Lambton*, Sir *Fran. Blake*, Mr. *Lowther*, Sir *John Delavall*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Carr*, Mr. *Manley*, Mr. *Grahme*, Mr. *Herne*, Mr. *Lorrain*, Mr. *Harley*, Colonel *Howe*, Mr. *Heathcot*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Carter*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying inland Provisions to the City of *London*, is committed.

Masters of  
Hoys carry-  
ing Provi-  
sions.

Ordered, That Mr. *Northmore*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Bar-ton*, Mr. *Halsey*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable Trustees to sell certain Lands, Tythes, and Tenements, for Payment of the Debts of *Fr. Purefoy* Esquire, is committed.

Purefoy's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill for Sale of the Moiety of the Manor of *Attingham*, alias *Atcham*, in the County of *Salop*, settled, in Jointure, on *Hellen* the Wife of *William Gower* Esquire; and for settling a Farm, called *Selly-hall*, and a Moiety of the Manor of *St. John*, in *Bedwardin*, in the County of *Worcester*, of better Value, to the like Uses; was read the Third time.

Gower's  
Estate.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Sale of the Manor of *Attingham*, in the County of *Salop*; and settling a Farm, called *Selly-hall*, and a Moiety of the Manor of *Temple-Lawne*, in the County of *Worcester*, of better Value, in lieu thereof.

Ordered, That Mr. *Gwyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* reported to the House, That their Resolutions, relating to the Office of Victualling, having been presented to her Majesty, her Majesty had been pleased to give Orders to the Lord High Admiral, That the Abuses complained of may be rectified.

Answer to  
Resolutions.

A Petition of *Eliz. Meese*, Mother and Executrix of *George Meese* Esquire, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said *Geo. Meese* obtained a Warrant from the late Queen *Mary*, dated Twenty-seventh May, One thousand Six hundred Ninety-one, for the Attorney General to prepare Letters Patents for granting to the said *Geo.* Two Rent-charges, of Forty Pounds per Annum each, issuing out of Lands lying in the Manor of *Stanford*, in the County of *Essex*, payable to Two Jesuits, for their Lives, which, by Inquisition, became vested in the Crown, in King *Charles* the Second's Reign; Forty Pounds of which is determined by the Death of One of the Jesuits: That the said Grant was in Consideration of the said *Geo. Meese's* Services, who was a Rear Admiral in his late Majesty's Service; wherein he, and his Brother, lost their Lives; to the Ruin of the Petitioner, and her distressed Family; and no Benefit has yet been made of the said Grant, though they have been at great Expences in suing for, and discovering, the said

Estates  
given to  
superstitious  
Uses.

Rent-



Rent-charges: And praying, That a Clause may be inserted in the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*; for saving the Petitioner's said Grant.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed, be made,

Greenwich Hospital.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to go down, and inspect the Works of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*.

*Ordered*, That the Committee appointed to consider of Methods, and receive Proposals, for the encouraging the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich* for decayed Seamen, be the said Committee, or any Five of them.

Union with Scotland.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for enabling her Majesty to appoint Commissioners to treat for an Union between the Kingdoms of *England* and *Scotland*: And the same was received.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be read upon *Friday* next, at Twelve a Clock.

Supply Bill; Subsidies and Land Tax.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, is committed, That they have Power to receive a Clause of Credit.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to discharge the County of *Somerset* of *Insuper's*, in the Ninth and Tenth, and Tenth and Eleventh, Years of his late Majesty's Reign, for Monies charged upon them above their Proportions.

Whitby Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, was committed, be taken into Consideration upon *Friday* Morning next.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

Explaining 7 W. III. for Security of King's Person.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for explaining a Clause in an Act, made at the Parliament begun and holden at *Westminster* the Twenty-second of November, in the Seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord *William* the Third, intituled, An Act for the better Security of his Majesty's Person and Government; with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

Balsall Hospital.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the better Government of the Hospital of *Balsall*, in the County of *Warwick*, founded by the Lady *Catharine Leveson*: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. And also,

Mansell's Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Edward Mansell* Esquire to raise a further Sum of One thousand Pounds on a Mortgage of the Improprate Rectory of *Llanriddian*, for Payment of Debts: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Arrears of Publick Funds.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Arrears standing out upon publick Funds, and the Account of the Receivers in Arrear, and under Prosecution in the Exchequer; with the Names of their Security.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to examine Mr. *Morgan Whitley*, formerly Receiver for *Cheshire* and *North Wales*, with respect to his Account of the publick Monies, and his Vouchers for the same; and also in

whose Hands the Money he stands charged with, is; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Mr. *Lowndes*, Sir *Edw. Turner*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Mr. *Moncton*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Walpole*, Sir *Chr. Musgrave*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Sco-bell*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Mr. *Clayton*, Sir *Wm. Scawen*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *Jeffrey Jeffries*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Sir *Rich. Onslow*, Sir *Gerv. Elwes*, Mr. *Heathcote*, Mr. *Manley*, Sir *Edm. Bacon*, Mr. *Morley*, Sir *Fra. Massam*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Anderton*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Clarke*, Mr. *Gwyn*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

*Resolved*, That the Receivers of the publick Revenue and Taxes, not making up their Accounts, and paying in their Monies, as by Law they ought, hath increased the publick Debt.

Then the Account of Debts, due from the Receivers General and Collectors of the Customs, was read.

*Resolved*, That there hath been a great Neglect, in not obliging the Collectors of the Customs to pass their Accounts, and pay in their Money, in due time.

*Resolved*, That Interest be paid for all Monies remaining in the Hands, or that shall, for the future, be detained by the Receivers or Collectors of any of her Majesty's Revenues or Aids, after the Time the same ought to be paid in.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned. Supply Bill; Subsidies and Land Tax.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties. Salt Duties.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Javis*, 26° die Martii;

Anno 1° Annæ Regiæ.

#### PRAYERS.

AN ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Thomas St. Leger de Bacolon*, *Jos. de Lanoay*, *Alexander de Raquel des Fourneaux*, and others, was read the First time. Bacolon's, &c. Nat.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

The Earl of *Dysert*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for erecting Hospitals and Work-houses, within the Town of *Sudbury*, in the County of *Suffolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor thereof: And the same was received. Sudbury Workhouse.

Mr. *Bromley*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Nicolas Bagnall* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received. Bagnall's Relief.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to vest several Lands and Tenements, in the County of *York*, in Trustees, to be sold for the Raising of a Portion for *Henrietta Tempest*, an Infant, was read a Second time. Tempest's Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Cha. Hotham*, Sir *Francis Massam*, Mr. *Hutton*, Mr. *Moore*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Lord *Fairfax*, Lord *Dysert*, Mr. *Palmes*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Gorges*, Sir *Rowl. Gwyn*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Jacob Banks*, Mr. *Ash*, Sir *John Williams*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Tho. Powis*, Mr. *Winnington*, Sir *William Hustler*, Mr. *Bere*, Sir *Phil. Boteler*, Mr. *Mansell*.



*Mansell, Sir Rob. Marsham, Mr. Walpole, Mr. Harvey, Sir John Bolles, Mr. Tredenham, Mr. Hayes; and all that serve for the County of York: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.*

Powell's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting in Trustees the Estate late of Sir Wm. Powell Baronet, deceased, for raising Portions for the younger Children of Sir John Williams, and Dame Mary his Wife, Daughter of the said Sir William Powell; and to enable William Williams, their eldest Son, to make a Jointure to such Wife as he shall marry; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Harley, Sir Richard Cocks, Mr. Gorges, Mr. Palmes, Mr. Proby, Sir Tho. Powys, Sir Jacob Banks, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Rowney, Mr. Hayes, Sir John Bolles, Mr. Yates, Sir Fran. Massam, Mr. Parker, Sir Henry D. Colt, Sir Tho. Davall, Mr. Bertie, Sir Cha. Hotham, Lord Fairfax, Sir John Holland, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Manley, Mr. St. Loo, Mr. Vernon, Mr. Bertie, Mr. Lowther, Sir Fra. Windham, Mr. Colchester; and all that serve for the Counties of Kent, Hertford, and for Wales: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chambers.

Money for  
repairing  
Churches,  
&c.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the more easy Recovery of Money for the Repair of Churches and Chapels be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Bishops  
Castle  
Election.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, touching the Election for the Borough of Bishops Castle, be made upon Tuesday Morning next.

Meredith's  
Estate.

Sir Roger Mostyn reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for enabling Sir William Meredith Baronet to sell Part of a capital Messuage, Lands, and Hereditaments, herein after-mentioned, in Ashley, in the County of Chester, he having settled other Lands and Hereditaments in lieu thereof, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents thereunto, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow: viz.

P. 4. L. 21. leave out the Word "King's," and, instead thereof, insert the Word "Queen's."

P. 6. L. 27. leave out "Lord," and, instead thereof, insert "Lady:" And, in the same Line, leave out "King's," and insert "Queen's;" and, after the Word "Majesty," leave out "his," and insert "her."

Greenland  
Trade.

Sir Thomas Davall, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the enlarging and encouraging the Greenland Trade: And the same was received.

Darwent  
Navigation.

The Lord Fairfax reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for making the River Darwent, in the County of York, navigable, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some other Amendments, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, That the Undertakers for making the said River navigable shall give Security to uphold the usual Rents and Fines of the Marsh-lands, in the Parish of Pickering;

And the same was twice read; and amended; and upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House, to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Robert Legard and Mr. Gery:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for Selling certain Lands in Bedfordshire, &c. vesting several Messuages and Tenements, in the Counties of Bedford and Middlessex, in Trustees, to be sold; and for purchasing Lands, or Rents, to be settled to the same Uses: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. And also,

A Bill, intituled, An Act for the Sale of the Manor, or reputed Manor, of Parkbury, and other Lands and Hereditaments, in the County of Hertford; and for applying the Monies, arising by the Sale thereof, to the Uses hereby directed: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

An ingrossed Bill for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of her Crown, was read the Third time. Queen's Household.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown.

*Ordered*, That Colonel Granville do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider of the Petitions relating to the Irish Forfeitures; and the Reports thereupon. Irish Forfeitures.

And the Trustees attending, according to Order;

They were called in:

And the Petition of Sir Daniel Arthur Knight being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief the said Sir Daniel Arthur;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Bridges, } 16,  
                                  { Mr. Manley: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Fra. Blake, } 148.  
                                  { Mr. Hen. Colt: }

So it passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of Sir William Ashurst Knight being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Sir William Ashurst, upon his Petition;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Lord Wm. Powlet, } 110.  
                                  { Sir Rowland Gwyn: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Gulston, } 66.  
                                  { Mr. St. John: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Sir William Ashurst, upon his Petition: And that Sir Rowland Gwyn and Mr. Dormer, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of the Daughters and younger Sons of Dudley Bagnall being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And

And the Petition of *Walter Bagnall*, eldest Son of the said *Dudley Bagnall*, was read :

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said younger Children ;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of *John Lord Viscount Purbeck* and Earl of *Buckingham* being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Lord *Purbeck* ;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the said Petition, being against a Judgment of the Trustees, upon a Claim, be rejected.

The Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of *Robert Leigh*, Son and Heir of *Francis Leigh*, deceased, being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Resolved*, That the said Petition be rejected.

The Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of *Thomas Connor* Gentleman being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Resolved*, That the said Petition be rejected.

The Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of *Susanna Smith* Widow and Executrix of *William Smith* Esquire, late Accountant General and Comptroller of his Majesty's Revenue in *Ireland*, who died in that Service, in the North of *Ireland*, in the Year One thousand Six hundred and Eighty-nine, being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Susanna Smith*, upon her Petition : And that Mr. *Nicholas* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of *Michael Chamberlain* Esquire, on the behalf of himself, and *Christopher* his Son, being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Resolved*, That the said Petition be rejected.

The Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of *Mary Skelton* Widow being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Mary Skelton* ;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of *Owen Carroll*, *Richard Barnwell*, *Walter Pritchett*, &c. on the behalf of themselves, and the rest of those called Protectees in *Ireland*, being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Resolved*, That the said Petition be rejected.

The Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of *Valentine Brown*, *Thomas Brown*, *Jane Brown*, *Elizabeth Brown*, *Margaret Brown*, and *Frances Brown*, all Minors, the Sons and Daughters of the Lord *Kenmare*, being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being

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put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Petitioners, upon their Petition ;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, after the Report touching the Election for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland* : And that the Trustees in Town do attend.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bierly*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Granville*, Mr. *Bulkley*, be added to the Committee appointed to examine Mr. *Morgan Whitley*, with respect to his Accounts of the publick Money, and his Vouchers for the same ; and also in whose Hands the Money he stands charged with is.

Whitley's  
Arrears of  
Publick  
Money.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Bulkley*, Mr. *Butler*, Sir *William St. Quintin*, Colonel *Lee*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of certain Masters of Hoys and Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other inland Provisions, to the City of *London*, is committed.

Masters of  
Hoys carry-  
ing Pro-  
visions.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 27° die Martii ;

1° Annæ Reginae.

#### PRAYERS.

A PETITION of the Governor and Company of Merchants of *England* trading into the *Levant* Seas was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That a Bill depending for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing Colours, into all Sorts of Stuffs and Cloth ; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same ; they humbly conceive, may be of great Prejudice to the Manufactures, and industrious Artisans and Manufacturers, of the Kingdom, if the same should pass into a Law : And praying they may be heard against the said Bill.

Damasking  
Stuffs.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of the Customer and Collector of her Majesty's Customs, for the Port of *Sandwich*, and Members thereunto belonging, was presented to the House, and read ; setting forth, That the Bill depending for the Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other inland Provisions, to the City of *London*, will occasion great Frauds in her Majesty's Customs : And praying, He may be heard, by his Counsel, what he hath to object against the same.

Masters  
of Hoys  
carrying  
Provisions.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable the Bishop of *Gloucester*, and his Successors, to make distinct and separate Leases of the Manors, Lands, and Premises therein mentioned, was read a Second time.

Bishop of  
Gloucester's  
Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Winnington*, Mr. *Proby*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Mr. *Dryden*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Woollaston*, Mr. *Newton*, Mr. *St. Loe*, Mr. *Brereton*, Mr. *Manley*, Mr. *Cox*, Sir *John Williams*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Mr. *Clarke*, Sir *Edw. Hasle*, Mr. *Fagg*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Lord *Coningsby*, Sir *Fran. Windham*, the Earl of *Dysert*, Sir *Wm. Daines*, Sir *Robert Fagg* ; and all for *Gloucestershire*, *Herefordshire*, and *Wales* : And they are to meet at Five a Clock, this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

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A Petition

Unwhole-  
some Bran-  
dies.

A Petition of the Distillers within the City of London, and Parts adjacent, on the behalf of themselves, and great Numbers of others using the said Trade, and not free of the Company of Distillers of the City, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That by the Bill depending to prevent the Making of unwholesome and unmerchantable Brandies from Corn; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of French Brandies; there are such Powers intended to be vested in the Company of Distillers, that, in case the said Bill should pass, it will be in their Power to engross the whole Trade into their own Hands, and to ruin the Petitioners at their Pleasure: That the Petitioners are much more numerous than the Distillers, who are free of the said Company; and the great Consumption of malted Corn is occasioned by the Petitioners; and, in case the Act pass, there will not be near the Quantity consumed as now there is: And praying to be heard against the said Bill.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Masters  
of Hloys  
carrying  
Provisions.

The House being acquainted, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of certain Masters of Hloys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of Kent and Essex, carrying Corn, and other inland Provisions, to the City of London, was committed, had gone through the Bill, and ordered it to be reported, before the Petitions relating thereunto were referred to the said Committee;

Ordered, That the said Committee do sit again; and have Power to receive such Clause, or Clauses, as they shall conceive proper, with relation to the said Petitions; and report the same to the House.

Hunt's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable the Trustees of James Hunt Esquire, deceased, to sell Timber, for the Payment of his Debts and Legacies, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Tilney, Sir Rowland Gwynn, Sir Char. Bloys, Mr. Fleming, Mr. Bierley, Mr. Proby, Sir Sam. Barnardiston, Mr. Lee, Mr. Cholmley, Mr. Etterick, Mr. Bere, Mr. Pitt, Mr. Offley, Mr. Ogle, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Bromley, Sir Henry Dutton Colt, Mr. Vernon, Mr. St. Loe, Mr. Snell, Mr. Wilde, Sir Wm. St. Quintin, Sir Tho. Davall, Mr. Booth, Mr. Stringer, Mr. Andrews, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Fagg, Sir Jervas Elwes, the Earl of Dysert, Mr. Masters, Mr. Pope, Sir Jacob Baunks, Sir Fran. Massam, Mr. Hayes; and all that serve for the Counties of Southampton, Dorset, and Wilts: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Bury's  
Estate.

A Bill to enable Trustees to make Sale of Part of the Estate of Humphry Bury, for paying off a Mortgage and a Portion charged thereupon, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Sir Fran. Massam, Sir Jervas Elwes, Sir Hen. Dutton Colt, Sir Rowland Gwynn, Mr. Proby, Mr. Johnson, Sir Fran. Child, Mr. Manley, Mr. Scobell, Mr. Nevill, Mr. Wylde, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Offley, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Fagg, Sir Will. Yorke, Mr. Bromley, Sir Will. Hustler, Mr. Walpole, Mr. Lampton, Colonel Lee, Mr. Pitt, Mr. Ogle, Sir Jacob Baunks, Sir Richard Cocks, Sir John Wynne, Sir Cha. Bloys, Sir Robert Cotton, and all that serve for the Counties of Cornwall and Devon: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Balsall  
Hospital.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the better Government of the Hospital of Balsall, in the County of Warwick, founded by the Lady Catharine Leveson, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Selling  
Lands in  
Whitchurch.

Mr. Anderton reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, in the Parish of Whitchurch, in the County of Chester, in Trus-

tees, to be sold for paying off the Incumbrances charged thereon; and for other Uses therein mentioned; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

P. 2. L. 29. after "Crofts," to insert "the Acre."

P. 3. L. 5. before "Trust," to leave out "the."

Sir Christopher Hales reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Trustees to sell certain Lands, Tythes, and Tenements, for the Payment of the Debts of Francis Purefoy Esquire, deceased, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and considered the Petition to them referred; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the said Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Pr. 4. L. 44. leave out "his," and insert "her."

Pr. 6. L. 27. leave out "King's," and insert "Queen's."

Pr. 7. L. 39. after "Dighton," leave out the Word "and," in the 45th Line of the same Press, and insert "to be paid by him to such Person or Persons as the same shall, by Law, belong."

Pr. 8. L. 10. after "thereupon," leave out to the Word "Saving."

L. 12. leave out "Lord," and insert "Lady."

And, in the same Line, leave out "King, his," and insert "Queen, her."

A Petition of James Eustace, and others, concerned against the private Bill passing for Maurice Annesley, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the said private Bill being carried on by the Trustees attending the House, in Favour of the said Maurice Annesley, as the Petitioners are informed, it is submitted to the Consideration of the House, whether it be not of certain Knowledge to the Trustees, that the Design of the Bill is contrary to the Benefit granted to the Subject by the late publick Act; for that several of the Debts in the said private Bill mentioned, and only in gross, to be granted by Letters Patents, have been, by the Trustees, adjudged to the Petitioner James Eustace, and others, upon their Claims, as being thereunto rendered well intitled by the said publick Act; and particularly a considerable Debt, which was due to the Petitioner's Mother, Catharine Eustace, from one Sarsfield, of Moores-Town, which is adjudged to the Petitioner on his Claim: That the Enacting Clauses of the said Private Bill being in Substance, That, notwithstanding any Relief given by the publick Act shall render the said Letters Patents, as to the Debts, good to the said Maurice; whereby it will take away the Benefit of the publick Act from the Petitioners: That, the Patent being passed in Ireland, and no Recital, in the Bill, of the several respective Debts, the Petitioners pray, That the Managers of the Bill may give them a true Copy of the Patent; and that they may have a Saving, in the Bill, of their Right; and to be heard, by their Counsel, against the same, before it pass the House.

And the House being acquainted, That the Committee, to whom the said Bill was committed, had gone through the Bill; and directed it to be reported;

Ordered,

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the said Report be made.

Bagnall's Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *Nicolas Bagnall* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time.  
Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Lutterell's Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of Colonel *Henry Lutterell*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time.  
Resolved, That the Bill be committed.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, was committed.

Ordered, That Mr. *Conyers*, and Sir *Tho. Powis*, be added to the said Committee.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do take care to provide, that the Widow of *Simon Lutterell* Esquire have her Jointure secured to her, according to the Adjudication of the Trustees: And that she be put into the Possession of her said Jointure accordingly.

Raising the Militia.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, notwithstanding the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid: And that Sir *Christopher Musgrave*, and the Lord *Coningsby*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Huband's Escape from Fleet Prison.

A Petition of *Daniel Dargent*, a Foreigner, and Protestant Refugee, in *England*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, in *Michaelmas* Term last, the Petitioner recovered Two several Judgments against one *John Huband* Gentleman, the one for 340*l.* Debt, and the other for 200*l.* besides Costs of Suit: The Petitioner sued Executions on his said Judgments; and the Sheriff of *Middlesex*, the Seventeenth of March One thousand Seven hundred and One, arrested the said Mr. *Huband*; who, the same Day, by *Habeas Corpus*, turned himself over a Prisoner to the *Fleet*, and was immediately discharged by the Warden, or some other Person, to whom the Custody of the same Prison belongs, without Satisfaction to, or Consent of, the Petitioner: That the several Arrests, and other Charges, cost the Petitioner near 30*l.*; whereby, and by Loss of the Debts, he, and his Family, are near undone: And the said Mr. *Huband*, and other his Accomplices, now deride him, and put him in Defiance; and tell him, That he shall never have One Penny of Debt: That the Petitioner believes the Escapes were contrived by one *Tilly*: And the Petitioner prays, That the House would command the said *Tilly*, and all other Persons concerned in the Custody of the said Gaol, to attend the House, there to answer the Premises, and to take such Order, that the Petitioner may be satisfied, and his Ruin prevented.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Samuel Lethelier*, *John Denew*, *William Richardson*, and *Simon Lebland*, on the behalf of themselves, and very many other Merchants in *England*, and in foreign Parts, Freighters and Insurers in the *Clouesly Gally*, complaining of the Escape of *John Holder*, of *London*, Merchant, out of the Prison of the *Fleet*, where he was charged by the Lord Chief Justice *Holt*, for a Contrivance in taking out the Goods, and afterwards burning the said Ship, upon which he had made great Insurances, was referred.

Abuses in the King's Bench.

A Petition of *Francis Burgis* Gentleman was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That he, being a Prisoner to the Marshal of the *King's Bench* Prison, about April last, did enter into a Bond with one *Darrison* to the Marshal, to be a true Prisoner to him; and did give a Warrant of Attorney, to confess Judgment on the Bond to the Marshal; and afterwards gave him Six Guineas, besides all other Fees; and also a Note to pay Three Guineas more, on Demand; to have his Liberty at large; but,

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about *Christmas* last, the Marshal sent his Waiters, and brought the Petitioner into close Confinement on the Master's Side, and soon after put him in the Dungeon; which has greatly impaired his Health; and, when removed from thence, he was turned on the Common Side; and the Petitioner did bring his *Habeas Corpus*, to remove himself to the *Fleet*; and the Marshal opposed the same; but, the same being allowed, the Marshal, on the Twenty-fourth Instant, charged the Petitioner in Execution for One thousand Pounds on the said Judgment, and threatens to take out Execution on the same against the Security, notwithstanding he gave the Petitioner Leave, for the Money aforesaid, to be at large out of the Rules; and he, being ignorant of the Law, did believe the Marshal had Power to make such Agreement, he daily making the like with his Prisoners; but is since informed, the Marshal, by so doing, has incurred several Penalties: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, and such Relief therein, as shall seem most just.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Samuel Lethelier*, *John Denew*, *William Richardson*, and *Simon Lebland*, on the behalf of themselves, and very many other Merchants in *England*, and in foreign Parts, Freighters and Insurers in the *Clouesly Gally*, complaining of the Escape of *John Holder*, of *London*, Merchant, out of the Prison of the *Fleet*, where he was charged by the Lord Chief Justice *Holt*, for a Contrivance in taking out the Goods, and afterwards burning the said Ship, upon which he had made great Insurances, was referred.

And the House being informed, That the Committee had directed a Report to be made, touching the said Petition;

Ordered, That the said Committee do meet, and sit; and examine the Matter of the said Petitions; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

A Bill for the Relief of *Elizabeth Wandesford*, and her Daughter, was read the First time. Wandesford's Relief.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Message from the Lords by Sir *Robert Legard* and Mr. *Pitt*: Queen's Household.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ordered, That the Bill for the better Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interest in *Ireland*, towards Payment of the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service, be read the First time To-morrow Morning. Irish Forfeitures.

The Orders of the Day being read;

Ordered, That the Bill for a Court of Conscience for the Tower Hamlets, Borough of *Southwark*, *Holborn* and *Finsbury* Divisions, and all other Places within the Weekly Bills of Mortality, be read a Second time upon Monday Morning next. Tower Hamlets, &c. Small Debts.

A Bill for enabling her Majesty to appoint Commissioners to treat for an Union between the Kingdoms of *England* and *Scotland*, was, according to Order, read the First time. Union with Scotland.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Monday Morning next.

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Charles Hotham*, } 165.  
                                  { Mr. *Moncton*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Christopher Hales*, } 119.  
                                  { Mr. *Cesar*: }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered,



Whitby  
Harbour.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Rebuilding, and Keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, was committed, be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning.

Supply Bill;  
Subsidies and  
Land Tax.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the said Bill; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

Salt Duties.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

Money for  
repairing  
Churches,  
&c.

Ordered, That the Bill for the more easy Recovery of Money for the Repair of Churches and Chapels be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 28° die Martii;*

1° Annæ Reginae.

## PRAYERS.

Selling cer-  
tain Lands in  
Bedford-  
shire, &c.

AN ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting several Messuages and Tenements, in the Counties of *Bedford* and *Middlesex*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for purchasing Lands or Rents, to be settled to the same Uses; was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Rose's  
Estate.

Mr. *Clark* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming the Title of *Thomas Rose* Gentleman to Lands called *Rempstone*; and for Sale of Lands called *Carrant's Court*, in the County of *Dorsett*, for Payment of the Debts of *William Rose* Gentleman, deceased; and for settling the Manor of *Cheddar Fitz-Walters*, in the County of *Somerset*, with the Overplus on the said Sale, on *Mary Rose* an Infant, Daughter of the said *William*, in lieu of Three thousand Pounds Portion for the said Infant; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Earl of  
Carlingford's,  
&c. Relief.

Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Francis Earl of Carlingford*, and others, against several Outlawries in the County of *Tipperary*, in *Ireland*: And the same was received.

Smith's  
Relief.

Mr. *Nicholas*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Susanna Smith* Widow, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received.

Lavallin's  
Relief.

Sir *Charles Hedges*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Jane Lavallin*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received.

Mr. *Foley* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Confirming and Settling of divers Charities, given by the last Will of *Job Marston* Gentleman, deceased, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

P. 4. L. 12. before "as," insert "for ever."

P. 5. L. 23. leave out "*Pichett*," and insert "*Pri-chett*."

L. 49. after "that," insert "shall."

P. 7. L. 44. leave out "*Skidmore*," and insert "*Skids-more*."

P. 12. L. 34. leave out "King's," and insert "Queen's;" and, in the same Line, leave out "his," and insert "her."

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, in the Parish of *Whitchurch*, in the County of *Chester*, in Trustees, to be sold, for paying off the Incumbrances charged thereon; and for other Uses therein mentioned; was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. *Kinaston* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for reviving the Act, intituled, An Act for exempting Apothecaries from serving the Offices of Constable, Scavenger, and other Parish and Ward Offices; and from serving upon Juries.

And, the same being once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

1 Press, 2. L. insert after the Word "Years," these Words, "of the Reign."

After the Word "of," leave out to the Word "intituled," in the same Line, and insert, instead thereof, "King *William* the Third."

10 L. after the Word "the," leave out "King's," and insert, "Queen's."

Ordered, That Sir *John Bolles* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House has agreed to the said Amendments.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for better preventing the Counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom.

And the same being once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

In the Title, 2d Line, after "his," insert "late."

1 Skin, 2 Line, after "his," insert "late."

5 L. after "his," add "said."

13 L. for "King's," read "Queen's."

17 L. after "his," add "late."

39 L. after "his," add "late."

2 Skin, 31 L. after "said," add "late."

3 Sk. 20 L. for "present," read, "late."

Ordered, That Mr. *Newton* do carry the Bill to the Lords,



Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments.

Wiredrawers  
Trade.

A Bill for continuing and amending the Act, made in the Ninth and Tenth Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for settling and adjusting the Proportions of fine Silver and Silk, for the better making of Silver and Gold Thread; and to prevent the Abuses of Wire-drawers; was read the Third time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein;

Press 3. L. 41. after "or," to insert "Silver:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for continuing and amending the Act, made in the Ninth Year of his late Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act, for settling and adjusting the Proportions of fine Silver and Silk; and for the better making of Gold and Silver Thread; and to prevent the Abuses of the Wiredrawers.

Ordered, That Mr. Vernon do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Explaining  
7 W. III. for  
Security of  
King's  
Person.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for explaining a Clause in an Act, made at the Parliament begun and holden at Westminster the Twenty-second of November, in the Seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King William the Third, intituled, An Act for the better Security of his Majesty's Person and Government:

And the same, being once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

In Amendment marked 4, after "Inquisition," add "nor any Writ of *Certiorari*, or *Habeas Corpus*, in any Matter or Cause, either Criminal or Civil; nor any Writ of Attachment, or Process of Contempt; nor any Commission of Delegacy, or Review for any Matters Ecclesiastical, Testamentary, or Maritime, or any Process thereupon."

In Amendment marked 18, after "Inquisition," add "nor any Writ of *Certiorari*, or *Habeas Corpus*, in any Matter or Cause, either Criminal or Civil; nor any Writ of Attachment, or Process for Contempt; nor any Commission of Delegacy, or Review for any Matters Ecclesiastical, Testamentary, or Maritime, or any Process thereupon."

Ordered, That Mr. Ettrick do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments.

Soame's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, for Sale of Part of the Estate of Stephen Soame Gentleman, and Dorothy his Wife; and for applying the Monies, raised thereby, for the Payment of his Debts, and for the Portions of Mary Soame, and William Soame, Two of his younger Children; was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for Sale of Part of the Estate of Stephen Soame, and Dorothy his Wife; and for applying the Monies, raised thereby, for the Payment of his Debts, and for the Portions of Mary and William Soame, Two of their younger Children.

Ordered, That Sir Henry Dutton Colt do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Meredith's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for enabling Sir William Meredith Baronet, to sell Part of a capital Messuage, Lands, and Hereditaments, herein after-mentioned, in Ashley, in the County of Chester; he having settled other Lands and Tenements, in lieu thereof; was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

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Ordered, That Sir Roger Mostyn do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Ordered, That the Reports of the Bills, relating to the Irish Forfeitures, which were committed, and which the Committee have gone through, be made upon Monday Morning next.

A Petition of Thomas Addison Esquire, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner understanding there is a Bill depending before the House, for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital at Greenwich; and he having begun several Suits, and, by Inquisition, seized into his late Majesty's Hands several Houses in the Savoy, formerly given to superstitious Uses, at his own proper Costs; and the Prosecution still depending; and no Recompence made: And praying to be heard before the Bill pass; or that a Clause may be inserted to save his Right.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed, be made.

Ordered, That the said Report be made upon Wednesday Morning next.

Ordered, That the Matter, upon the Petition of John Chetwyn Esquire, in the Name, and at the Request, of a great Number of the Freeholders and Inhabitants within the Hundred of Hemlingford, in the County of Warwick; complaining of an undue Proportion set upon them to the Taxes by the Acts made in the Ninth and Eleventh Years of his Majesty's Reign; and praying Relief therein; be heard before the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, is committed, upon Tuesday come Sevensnight.

Mr. Conyers presented to the House a Bill to declare the Alterations in the Oath appointed to be taken by the Act, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of Wales, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; and for declaring the Association to be determined: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for enlarging and encouraging the Greenland Trade, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

The Serjeant at Arms being called upon to give the House an Account of what he has done in relation to the apprehending of the Persons at Coventry, ordered to be taken into his Custody;

He acquainted the House, That he having sent his Messenger, with a Warrant to Coventry, he was informed, that some Person had gone Post before his Messenger, and given them Notice, though he got thither by the next Day at Noon; upon which they were fled, or absconded: And that his Messenger having taken one Edward Bosworth, of the City of Coventry, to his Assistance, the said Bosworth was threatened for what he did, by Mr. Edward Owen, Alderman of the said City: And that the said Bosworth attended to give the House an Account thereof.

And the said Bosworth was called in, and examined.

And then withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Mr. Edward Owen, Alderman of Coventry, is guilty of a Breach of the Privilege of this House, and Contempt against the same, by using threatening Language against

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the Person that assisted the Serjeant in Execution of the Orders of this House;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Vernon, } 112.  
                                   { Mr. Fitch : }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Hen. Dutton Colt } 90.  
                                   { Mr. Pershall : }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Mr. Edward Owen be, for his said Crime, taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Gulston, } 110.  
                                   { Mr. Cooke : }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Roberts, } 96.  
                                   { Sir Walter Yonge : }

So it resolved in the Affirmative.

The Serjeant being called upon to give the House an Account of what he had done in Execution of the Order for the apprehending of *Thomas Colepeper* Esquire;

He acquainted the House, That diligent Search had been made after him; but that he was fled, or absconded.

Addresses for  
Proclama-  
tion for ap-  
prehending  
Persons  
absconded.

Ordered, That *Thomas Colepeper* Esquire, having been guilty of many scandalous and indirect Practices; and, in Contempt of the Justice of this House, hath absconded; That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, That she will be pleased to issue forth her Royal Proclamation for apprehending the said Mr. Colepeper.

Resolved, That Mr. *Abraham Owen*, one of the Sheriffs of the City of *Coventry*, having been guilty of a false and double Return for the City of *Coventry*, and divers indirect Practices; and, in Contempt of the Justice of this House, having absconded; That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, That she will please to issue forth her Royal Proclamation for apprehending the said Mr. Owen.

Resolved, That Mr. *John Collins*, the other Sheriff of the City of *Coventry*, having been guilty of a false and double Return for the City of *Coventry*, and divers indirect Practices; and, in Contempt of the Justice of this House, having absconded; That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, That she will please to issue forth her Royal Proclamation for apprehending the said Mr. Collins.

Resolved, That Mr. *Edward Owen*, Under Sheriff of the City of *Coventry*, having been guilty of divers illegal and partial Proceedings in the late Election for the City of *Coventry*; and, in Contempt of the Justice of this House, having absconded; That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, That she will please to issue forth her Royal Proclamation for the apprehending the said Mr. Owen.

Ordered, That the said Addresses be presented to her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford*, and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

Suffolk Place  
Improve-  
ment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the better Improvement of *Suffolk Place* in the Borough of *Southwark*, in the County of *Surry*: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

Meredith's  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to a Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling Sir *William Meredith* Baronet to sell Part of a capital Messuage, Lands, and Hereditaments, herein after-mentioned, in *Ashley*, in the County of *Chester*; he having settled other Lands and Tenements, in lieu thereof. Also,

Selling  
Lands in  
Whitchurch.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, in the Parish of *Whitchurch*, in the County of *Chester*, in Trustees, to be

sold, for paying off the Incumbrances charged thereon; and for other Uses therein mentioned.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Mr. *Dormer*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Samuel Lethelie*, *John Denew*, *William Richardson*, and *Simon Lebland*, on the behalf of themselves, and very many other Merchants in *England*, and in foreign Parts, Freighters and Insurers in the *Cloudesly Gally*; complaining of the Escape of *John Holder*, of *London*, Merchant, out of the Prison of the *Fleet*; where he was charged, by the Lord Chief Justice *Holt*, for a Contrivance in taking out the Goods, and afterwards burning the said Ship, upon which he had made great Insurances; was referred; the Matter, as it appeared to them; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Holder's  
Escape from  
Fleet Prison.

That the Committee had examined the Matter thereof, and find the same to be as followeth; viz.

That to the First Part of the Petition, relating to *John Holder*, Owner of the late *Cloudesly Gally*;

*William Suckley*, Mariner, informed the Committee, That, in March 1699, *John Snapes*, Commander of the *Holder Frigate*, came to him, and told him, That Mr. *John Holder*, of *London*, Merchant, desired to speak with him, intending to make him Commander of the *Cloudesly Gally*, for a Voyage to *Cadiz*, *Genoa*, and *Leghorne*, and so Home again: But *Suckley* replying, That he was in Expectation of another Ship; *Snapes* said, That this Voyage would be most for his Advantage; and that he should go in the *Holder Frigate*, in Company thither, also: Thereupon the Informant went to *Holder*, and agreed to accept the Command of the said Gally; and accordingly Bills of usual Notice were put up at the *Exchange*, in *Suckley's* Name; and then *Holder* told the Informant, That they had or would make great Assurances upon the said Ship, and her Loading, and take up great Sums of Money on Bottomry, and Merchants Goods on Freight; and had contrived and designed to burn the said Ship at Sea, and make Advantage thereof for themselves:

That he entered into the said Confederacy with *Holder* and *Snapes*; for which he was to have 1,500*l.*; and *Holder* gave him Three Notes under his Hand, amounting to that Sum, payable within Twelve Months after; which Notes he produced to the Committee: And the same Day *Holder* gave him secret Orders for carrying on the said Contrivance, consisting of 26 Articles; and afterwards sent him inclosed, by Letter to *Cadiz*, under his Hand, additional Instructions:

That they prevailed with *Suckley* to sign false Bills of Loading for Goods and Jewels that were never put on board; particularly 135 Pigs of Lead, 48 Hogsheads of Sugar, a Box of Jewels of 1,400*l.* Value, several Bales of Goods of many other Merchandizes: And also that after Goods have been shipped, he has altered the Marks by *Holder's* Order; particularly 19 Casks of Wax, for which *Holder* had given a Bill of Lading to Mr. *Gardner*:

That *Holder*, *Snapes*, and *Suckley*, borrowed 900*l.* upon their Bottomry Bond: And *Holder* said, That he had secured to the Value of 16,000*l.*

That he sailed from *London*, freighted with divers Merchants Goods of a considerable Value, and arrived at *Cadiz*, and there also gave false Bills of Lading; and took in to the Amount of 18,000 Pieces of Eight, besides much Plate, of divers Merchants, on Freight, for *Genoa* and *Leghorne*; and then sailed from *Cadiz*, in Company of the *Holder Frigate*, on their said pretended Voyage; but, by the Way, at Sea, before they arrived at the Port, to which they were consigned, great Quantities of the most valuable Goods put on board the *Cloudesly Gally* at *London*, and all the Pieces of Eight, and Plate, were, by *Holder* and *Snapes*, taken out of the Gally, and put on board the Ship *Holder Frigate*; and afterwards the said Gally was set on Fire by one *Robert Acres*, who was Mate of her;

her; being prevailed upon so to do by *Snapes*, who promised him 100 l. for his so doing; and the said *Cloudestly Gally* was, by the said Fire, totally destroyed; the Men escaping on board the Frigate; and *Holder* and *Snapes* divided the Plate, Money and Goods, between themselves. And, after the Informant came to *London*, he also signed false Bills of Lading; and *Holder* altered the Marks on several of the Goods, and owned the aforesaid Orders and Instructions; but declined to pay the Informant any Part of the 1,500 l. which he was to have for his Consent to the burning of the said Gally, by putting him off from time to time.

*Nic. Walker* said, That he was Quarter-master of the *Cloudestly Gally* at the time she was burnt, which was on the 30th of October 1699: That *Robert Acres* the Mate, came running upon the Deck, and said, The Ship was on fire, and gave the Signal; upon which the Informant proposed to the Men, to carry Water, and endeavour to put it out, there appearing only some Smoke at a great Distance from the Powder-room, and he offering to go and throw the Powder overboard; but *Acres* was against it, and ordered the Long-boat to be put out, and put therein the best of his Cloaths; and the Men also went into the Boat; but he would not suffer them to put any thing in her; and then they followed the *Holder Frigate*, which had left the Gally Three Hours before; and the Fire burned 10 or 12 Hours before it reached the Powder-room; so that, if the *Holder Frigate* had staid, probably, great Part of the Goods might have been saved: And said, He saw *Snapes* alter the Marks on several Goods taken out of the said Gally, after they were put on board the *Holder Frigate*.

*Sir William Hodges* said, That there was Insurance made at *Cadiz*, for 12,000 Dollars, upon the *Cloudestly Gally*; for 2,900 whereof he subscribed for himself and Partners; and that, after the burning of the Gally, he was required to give Insurance for the Masters of Ships; which, before, was unusual, and never demanded of the Merchants, and brought a great Discredit upon the *English* there.

*Mr. Radburne* said, That he insured for 500 Dollars on the same Policy with *Sir William Hodges*; and was at *Cadiz* when the said Gally was burned; which brought such a Disgrace upon our Merchants there, that, when they applied to the *Italian* Brokers to get them Freight for *Italy*, as usually, they replied, That they had such an Instance in the *Cloudestly Gally*, as never to trust an *Englishman* more.

*Mr. Gideon* said, That he has been employed to search the Insurance Offices at *London* and *Bristol*, in this Matter; and finds, by the Policies in both Places, that there were 16,000 l. insured upon the *Cloudestly Gally*.

*Mr. Hales*, an Attorney, said, That some of the Insurance-money has been recovered by *Holder*; but hopes, he shall put a stop to further Matters of that Nature.

That, to prove the Second Part of the Petition, relating to the Warden of the *Fleet* Prison;

*Mr. Hales* said, That, on the 5th of this Instant March he served *Mr. Dixon*, the Clerk of the Papers of the said Prison, with the Lord Chief Justice *Holt's* Warrant, directed to the Warden of the *Fleet*, or his Deputy; that the Warden was not within, as informed; requiring them to detain and keep *John Holder*, then in his Custody, in sure and safe Custody, for his Offence, in assisting, contriving and directing, the wilful burning of the *Cloudestly Gally*, by *Robert Acres* Mate thereof, and whereof the said *John Holder* was Owner, until he should be discharged by due Course of Law: And *Dixon* then owned, That *Holder* was a Prisoner, and in Custody; and that he would take care, and secure him: And that *Dixon* always acted for the Warden as his Agent:

That he had another Warrant from my Lord Chief Justice *Holt* before this; which he did not think effectual; and therefore procured the above-said Warrant.

*Mr. Jacob Kyzer* said, That, on the Sixth of March instant, in the Morning, he and *Mr. Grill* met *Mr. Dixon*, with the above Warrant in his Hand; and then

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*Dixon* owned, That the said *Holder* was a prisoner; and the Turnkey also said so: Upon . . . . . *Kyzer* asked to see *Holder*; but *Dixon* denied to shew him; saying, The Warden was out of Town; but if he would come in the Afternoon, he might have an answer; and *Kyzer* threatening to complain to the House of Commons, *Dixon* said, Pugh! He did not care for the House of Commons. That, accordingly he went in the Afternoon; and then they said, He was not a Prisoner; and the Turnkey said, He lodged somewhere in the *Old Baily*.

*David Grill*: That he went with *Mr. Kyzer* to the *Fleet*, and met with the Warden, and asked for *Holder*; upon which the Warden bid them go to *Dixon*; he did all his Business; and he himself knew nothing of the Matter: Whereupon *Grill* told him, That *Holder* was his Prisoner; and that, if he did not produce him, he should hear of it in the House of Commons.

That, to answer this, *Mr. Ford*, the Warden, said, He did not know of *Holder's* Offences; if he had, he should have had more Care of him; but that he only stood committed to him the 4th of February last, in Discharge of his Bail, in Three or Four Actions, which amount to about 120 l.

That he takes his Office to be in the Nature of a Sheriff's Office, where Bail is allowed; and that he has taken the same Person's Security for *Holder's* Imprisonment, as the Sheriff had taken to the Actions, sufficient to answer the same, as he believes; and hopes, he shall not be answerable for more than his Commitments:

That he thinks my Lord Chief Justice's Warrant to be unusual: To charge him with the Custody of *Holder*, there ought to have been a *Habeas Corpus* to have brought him before his Lordship; and then he would have removed him to a criminal Prison, more proper than the *Fleet*:

That he was out of Town, when the Matters were transacted; and when he came, referred them to *Dixon*:

That the Petitioners Agent searched for *Holder* upon the First Warrant, and took up one *Mr. Bird* for him; and thereupon *Holder* has taken the Alarm, and is gone away; but hopes to take him again: And alleged, That, by the Act 8<sup>th</sup> *Wilhelmi 3<sup>rd</sup>*, for regulating Prisons, the Person asking for a Prisoner in order to charge him, ought to demand a Note, under the Hand of the proper Officer, That he was a Prisoner; which, in this Case, was not done.

And the Committee taking Notice, that the Security Bond being of 600 l. Penalty; and executed by *William Bird*, and *Thomas Bush* a Tipstaff to the *Fleet*;

The Warden owned, That *Bush* was his Tipstaff; but said, *Mr. Bird* was no Prisoner; but believes him to be a responsible Man: and was the Person taken upon the said Warrant.

And *Mr. Dixon* denied he spoke the Words mentioned by *Kyzer* touching the House of Commons.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to the Resolutions following; viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the Petitioners have fully proved the Allegations of their Petition.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *John Holder*, by procuring false Bills of Loading, and making fraudulent Insurances in *England*, and foreign Parts, on the *Cloudestly Gally*, and by contriving and directing the wilful burning of the said Ship, after the Goods of Value were taken out of the same, is guilty of a villainous Practice, highly dishonourable to the Nation, and prejudicial to the Trade thereof.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *William Weedon Ford* Esquire, Warden of the *Fleet*, by suffering the said *John Holder* to escape, after he was legally charged in his Custody for the said Offence, is guilty of a notorious Breach of his Duty.

The said Resolutions being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered,

Holder's  
Escape from  
Fleet Prison.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the summoning *John Holder* to render himself to Justice, in a certain Time, under a Penalty: And that *Mr. Dormer* prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Attorney General* do prosecute the said *Mr. Ford*, Warden of the *Fleet*, for his said Offence.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee do consider of some effectual Way to prevent the burning of Merchants Ships, or betraying them into the Enemy's Hands.

King's Bench  
and Fleet  
Prisons.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*.

*Ordered*, That the Warden of the *Fleet*, and Marshal of the *King's Bench*, do lay before this House an Account of the Rules of their respective Prisons, and the Boundaries and Extents thereof.

Privateers.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House upon the Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers.

Whitby  
Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, was committed, be taken into Consideration upon *Monday* Morning next.

Irish For-  
feitures.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the better Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, towards Payment of the Debts due to the Army, and for Transport Service, be read upon *Monday* Morning next.

Money for  
repairing  
Churches,  
&c.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the more easy Recovery of Money for the Repair of Churches and Chapels be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next.

Unwhole-  
some  
Brandies.

*Ordered*, That *Sir Joseph Tredenham*, *Mr. Tredenham*, *Mr. Cook*, *Sir Jeffery Jefferyes*, *Mr. Alcock*, *Mr. Lake*, *Mr. Bertie*, *Sir Fran. Child*, *Mr. Lampton*, *Mr. Pace*, *Sir Wm. York*, *Mr. Carr*, *Mr. Heysham*, *Mr. Stockdale*, *Sir Walter Young*, *Mr. Yates*, *Mr. Pitfield*, *Mr. Clayton*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent the Making of unwholesome and unmerchantable Brandies from Corn; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of *French* Brandies; is committed.

Palmer's  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Mansell*, *Colonel Drake*, *Sir Tho. Willoughby*, *Sir Charles Shuckborough*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable *Geffery Palmer* Esquire to settle a Jointure upon *Elizabeth* his Wife is committed.

Stone's  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Bertie*, *Mr. Vernon*, *Sir Hen. Dutton Colt*, *Mr. Herbert*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more effectual Settlement of the Estate of *John Stone*, of *Baldwyn Brightwell*, in the County of *Oxon*, Esquire, in his Family and Name, is committed.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 30<sup>a</sup> die Martii;*

1<sup>a</sup> Annæ Reginae.

#### PRAYERS.

Earl of  
Thomond's  
Estate.

*Mr. Paget* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable the Right Honourable Lady *Henrietta O'Brien*, Mother and Guardian of the Right Honourable *Henry* Earl of *Thomond*, an Infant, to make Leases of his Estate in *Ireland*, for the Discharging of Incumbrances thereon, and of a Charge of Four thousand Pounds

for his Sister's Portion, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

The Bill was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Paget* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming the Title of *Thomas Rose* Gentleman to Lands called *Rempstone*, and for Sale of Lands called *Carrant's-court* in the County of *Dorset*, for Payment of the Debts of *William Rose* Gentleman, deceased; and for settling the Manor of *Cheddar Fitz Walters*, in the County of *Somerset*, with the Overplus on the said Sale, on *Mary Rose*, an Infant, Daughter of the said *William*, in lieu of Three thousand Pounds Portion for the said Infant; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass:

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Clarke* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

*Mr. Secretary Vernon* reported to the House, That their Address having been presented to her Majesty, relating to *Barbadoes* and the *Leeward Islands*; As to the former Part thereof, That her Majesty would please, that the Duty, or Impost, of Four and a Half per Centum may be applied for the repairing and erecting Fortifications, and other publick Uses, for the Safety of the said Islands; and that an annual Account, how the said Duties shall have been expended, may be laid before this House; her Majesty was pleased to say, That she would give Directions accordingly: And that, as to the latter Part, That she would please to appoint such Persons to be Governors of the *Barbadoes* and *Leeward Islands*, as are well qualified for that great Trust, her Majesty was pleased to say, She will take care therein.

A Petition of a great Number of distressed Debtors in *Winton* common Gaol was presented to the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee to whom the Bill for Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt is committed.

A Petition of several poor Prisoners for Debt, and Damages, in her Majesty's Gaols for the County, and Town of *Bedford*, as well in behalf of themselves, as divers others in Custody in the said Gaols, and other the Gaols of this Kingdom, was presented to the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt is committed.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Trustees to sell certain Lands, Tythes, and Tenements, for the Payment of the Debts of *Francis Purefoy* Esquire, deceased, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That *Sir Christopher Hales* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

*Sir Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Sir William Ashurst*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received.

*Mr. Clayton*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for preventing vexatious Suits in the Taking on board and Transporting of Servants to the *English* Plantations in *America*: And the same was received.

*Ordered*,



Whitby  
Harbour.

*Ordered*, That all the Members that serve for *Wales* and *Cheshire* be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the rebuilding, and maintaining in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, is committed.

Masters of  
Hoys carry-  
ing Provi-  
sions.

Colonel *Lee* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other inland Provisions, to the City of *London*, was committed, That the Committee having gone through the Bill before the Petitions relating thereunto were referred to the said Committee, they cannot proceed to relieve the Petitioners, unless the Bill be re-committed.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be re-committed to the same Committee; to the end the Petitioners may be relieved as to the Committee shall seem necessary.

Bellew's  
Relief.

Mr. *Ogle* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of Captain *Thomas Bellew*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Sir *William Phippard* have Leave to go into the Country, for Ten Days, upon extraordinary Occasions.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Trustees to sell certain Lands, Tythes, and Tenements, for the Payment of the Debts of *Francis Purefoy* Esquire, deceased.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Purefoy's  
Estate.

Singleton's  
Relief.

Mr. *Dolben* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Edward Singleton*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Macdonnell's  
Relief.

Mr. *Bridges* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Hannah Macdonnell*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed (except one, which was disagreed) unto by the House.

And a saving Clause being offered to be added to the Bill;

The same was twice read; and amended; and agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Marston's  
Charities.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Confirming and Settling of divers Charities, given by the last Will of *Job Marston* Gentleman, deceased, was read the Third time.

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*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Foley* do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which Amendments they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

A Bill for enabling her Majesty to appoint Commissioners to treat for an Union between the Kingdoms of *England* and *Scotland*, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* come Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

A Bill for the better Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*, towards Payment of the Debts due to the Army; and for Transport Service; was, according to Order, read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Wednesday* come Sevensnight.

A Message from her Majesty, by Sir *David Mitchell*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod: Royal Assent  
to Bills.

Mr. Speaker,

The Queen commands this Honourable House to attend her Majesty, in the House of Peers, immediately.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend her Majesty.

And, being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That her Majesty had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to Five publick Bills, and Eight private Bills; viz.

An Act for the better Support of her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown:

An Act for taking, examining, and stating, the publick Accounts of the Kingdom:

An Act for explaining a Clause in an Act, made at the Parliament begun and holden at *Westminster* the Two-and-twentieth of November, in the Seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King *William* the Third, intituled, An Act for the better Security of his Majesty's Royal Person and Government:

An Act reviving the Act, intituled, An Act for exempting Apothecaries from serving the Offices of Constable, Scavenger, and other Parish and Ward Offices; and from serving upon Juries:

An Act for continuing the Act, made in the Eighth Year of his Majesty's Reign, for the better preventing the counterfeiting the current Coin of this Kingdom:

An Act for the Relief of *Frances* Countess of *Tyrconnell*, Relict of *Richard* late Earl of *Tyrconnell*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*:

An Act for settling and vesting divers Manors and Lands of *Francis Wightwick* an Infant, lying in the County of *Stafford*, in Trustees, to enable them to settle and convey the same, upon the Marriage of the said *Francis Wightwick*, to such Uses, Intents, and Purposes, as shall be agreed upon:

An Act to enable *Warner Lee*, alias *Warner Warner*, to make a Jointure upon his Marriage:

An Act for vesting several Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, in the Parish of *Whitchurch*, in the County of *Chester*, in Trustees, to be sold for paying off the Incumbrances charged thereon; and for other Uses therein mentioned:

An Act for enabling Sir *William Meredith* Baronet to sell Part of a Capital Messuage, Lands, and Hereditaments, herein-after mentioned, in *Ashley*, in the County of *Chester*; he having settled other Lands and Tenements in lieu thereof:

An Act to enable the Right Honourable Lady *Henrietta O'Bryen*, Mother and Guardian of the Right Honourable *Henry* Earl of *Thomond*, an Infant, to make Leases of his Estate in *Ireland*, for the Discharging of Incumbrances thereon; and of a Charge of Four thousand Pounds for his Sister's Portion:

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An Act for confirming the Title of *Thomas Rose* Gentleman to Lands, called *Rempstone*; and for Sale of Lands, called *Carrant's Court*, in the County of *Dorsett*, for Payment of the Debts of *William Rose* Gentleman, deceased; and for settling the Manor of *Cheddar Fitz-Walters*, in the County of *Somerset*, with the Overplus, on the said Sale, on *Mary Rose*, an Infant, Daughter of the said *William*, in lieu of Three thousand Pounds Portion for the said Infant:

An Act to enable Trustees to sell certain Lands, Tythes, and Tenements, for the Payment of the Debts of *Francis Purefoy* Esquire deceased.

Queen's  
Speech.

And that, afterwards, her Majesty was pleased to make a most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament: And that, to prevent any Mistake in reporting the same, he had desired, and obtained, a Copy thereof: which he read to the House; and is as followeth; viz.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I am very well pleased to have given My Assent to the Act for the taking the publick Accounts: Nothing is more reasonable than to give the Kingdom the Satisfaction of having those great Sums accounted for, which were raised to carry on the late War; especially when it is necessary for our own Safety, and the Support of our Allies, to continue great Taxes.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I return you My kind and hearty Thanks for continuing to Me, for My Life, the same Revenue you had granted to the King: I will take great Care it shall be managed to the best Advantage; and, while my Subjects remain under the Burden of such great Taxes, I will streighten Myself in my own Expences, rather than not contribute all I can to their Ease and Relief, with a just Regard to the Support of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown. It is probable the Revenue may fall very short of what it has formerly produced: However, I will give Directions, That One hundred thousand Pounds be applied to the publick Service, in this Year, out of the Revenue you have so unanimously given Me.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

The present Posture of Affairs Abroad, as well as the Season of the Year, obliges Me to put you in mind of giving all possible Dispatch to the publick Business.

Address on  
Queen's  
Speech.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, to return the most hearty and dutiful Thanks of this House for her Majesty's most gracious Speech from the Throne; and, particularly for her unparalleled Grace and Goodness, in contributing, out of her own Revenue, to the Ease and Relief of her Subjects.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to draw up the said Address:

And it is referred to Sir *Edward Seymour*, Sir *Charles Hedges*, the Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, the Lord *Spencer*, Mr. *Smith*, the Lord *Conningsby*, Mr. *St. John*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Cooper*, Sir *Thomas Littleton*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Mr. *Bromley* of *Warwickshire*, Sir *Tho. Powys*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Colchester*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *Geo. Rook*, Colonel *Byerley*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Dormer*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Comyns*, Colonel *Stanhope*, Mr. *Methwin*, Sir *Jo. Leveson Gower*, Colonel *Trenchard*, Mr. *Hopkins*, Sir *Hen. Peachy*, Mr. *Coke*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Sir *John Bolles*, Sir *John Mordant*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Charles Bloys*, Sir *Will. Drake*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. *Austin*, Mr. Secretary *Vernon*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Sir *Edward Hussey*, Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Chris. Musgrave*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Mr. *Pershall*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Supply Bill;  
Subsidies and  
Land Tax.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the Bill; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That all Committees, except the Committee Committees, for drawing up the Address, be adjourned.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for a Court of Conscience for the Tower Hamlets, Borough of *Southwark*, *Holborne* and *Finsbury* Divisions, and all other Places within the weekly Bills of Mortality, be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, was committed, be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the more easy Recovery of Money for the Repair of Churches and Chapels be read a Second time upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Yates*, Sir *Hen. Lyddall*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Gulston*; and all that serve for *Hertfordshire*: be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent the Making of unwholesome and unmerchantable Brandies from Corn; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of *French* Brandies; is committed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Trelawney*, Colonel *Churchill*, Sir *Fran. Warre*, Sir *Jacob Banks*, and Colonel *Lutterell*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis*, 31° die Martii;

1° Annæ Reginae.

PRAYERS.

*LEWIS* de la Conde, *Stephen d'Acquillon*, *Abel de Castlefrome*, *Abraham Brumquet*, *Albert le Blanc*, *Charles de la Pomtelle*, *John Champfleury*, *Peter de Maignon*, *Philip Margas*, *Josiah le Conte*, *James de Cau*, *Philip Rose*, *Jacob Vincent*, *Abraham de Magny*, *David Francis Gaudet*, took the Oaths appointed, in order to their Naturalization.

*Resolved*, That this House will, every Morning at Eleven a Clock, proceed upon publick Business.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Balsh*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Neville*, Mr. *Hicks*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, be added to the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable the Bishop of *Gloucester*, and his Successors, to make distinct and separate Leases of the Manors, Lands, and Premises, therein mentioned, is committed.

A Bill for laying a Duty upon buying, selling, or bargaining for, Shares in any joint Stocks of Corporations, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

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*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

Raising the Militia.

The Lord *Coningsby*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, notwithstanding the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid: And the same was received.

The Bill was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That no new Business be admitted into the House.

Damasking Stuffs.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Leveson Gower*, Mr. *Sacheverell*, and Sir *Edmund Bacon*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours on all Sorts of Stuffs and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same; is committed.

Tower Hamlets, &c. Small Debts.

A Bill for a Court of Conscience for the *Tower Hamlets*, Borough of *Southwark*, *Holborn* and *Finsbury* Divisions, and all other Places within the weekly Bills of Mortality, was, according to Order, read a Second time:

And the Question being put, That the Bill be committed;

It passed in the Negative.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

Windham's Estate.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Rebecca Windham* to sell and dispose of an Estate, late *Sarah Verdon's*, in the County of *Norfolk*: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House: Also,

Barnwell's Estate.

They have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the enabling *Abraham Barnwell* to make a more ample Settlement of his Estate, for the Benefit of his Family; and to charge Part thereof for raising Portions for his younger Children in his Life-time; for Payment of his Debts: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Higham-Ferrers Writ.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the Electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Higham-Ferrers*, in the room of *Thomas Ekins* Esquire, deceased.

Water-measure of Fruit.

An ingrossed Bill for ascertaining the Water-measure of Fruit was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to ascertain the Water-measure of Fruit.

*Ordered*, That Colonel *Colchester* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Address on Queen's Speech.

Sir *Thomas Powys* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address, to be presented to her Majesty, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Commons in Parliament assembled, beg Leave unanimously to return our most humble and hearty Thanks for Your Majesty's most gracious Speech from the Throne; and particularly for your Majesty's unparalleled Grace and Goodness, in declaring, That Your Majesty, out of Your own Revenue, will contribute so largely to the Ease and Relief of Your Subjects, at a time when Your Majesty

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thinks it probable that the Revenue may fall very short of what it has formerly produced; and when Your Majesty's Expences must, of Necessity, be greater than ordinary.

Nothing can more encourage your People to contribute, with Alacrity, to the publick Occasions, than to have before them so great and glorious an Example, from Your Majesty, of Zeal and Affection for the Common Good; and that Your Majesty is so well pleased to have given the Kingdom the Satisfaction of having those great Sums accounted for, which were raised to carry on the late War.

We cannot omit, upon this Occasion, to repeat our firm Resolutions to maintain and defend Your Majesty, and Your Government, against the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Your Majesty's Enemies whatsoever.

May God prolong your Majesty's auspicious Reign over us, and bless these Kingdoms with Royal Issue of Your Majesty, to inherit the Crowns of Your Ancestors.

The said Address being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by inserting, after "Commons," "of *England*;"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, *Nemine contradicente*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Address, so amended.

And the same is as followeth; viz.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Commons of *England*, in Parliament assembled, beg Leave unanimously to return our most humble and hearty Thanks for Your Majesty's most gracious Speech from the Throne; and particularly for Your Majesty's unparalleled Grace and Goodness, in declaring, That Your Majesty, out of your own Revenue, will contribute so largely to the Ease and Relief of Your Subjects, at a time when Your Majesty thinks it probable that the Revenue may fall very short of what it has formerly produced; and when Your Majesty's Expences must, of Necessity, be greater than ordinary.

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May God prolong Your Majesty's auspicious Reign over us, and bless these Kingdoms with Royal Issue of Your Majesty, to inherit the Crowns of Your Ancestors.

*Resolved*, That the said Address be presented to her Majesty by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That such Members of this House as are of her Majesty's most honourable Privy Council, do humbly know her Majesty's Pleasure, when she will be attended by this House.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, according to Order, reported from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, the Matter touching the Election for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*, in the County of *Salop*, as it appeared to the said Committee; and the Resolutions of the Committee thereupon; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read; and are as follow; viz.

Upon the Petition of *George Walcot* Esquire, complaining of an undue Election and Return of *Charles Mason* Esquire to serve for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*;

That, upon the Hearing of the Merits of this Election, there were Two Polls produced; One in behalf of the Petitioner, taken by Mr. *Brent*, a sworn Clerk:

That,

Bishop's Castle Election.

Bishop's  
Castle  
Election.

That, upon which Poll, there was,

For Mr. *Walcot* - - - 41.

For Mr. *Mason* - - - 40.

That another, produced on behalf of the Sitting Member, taken by *Robert Mason*, another sworn Clerk:

Upon which Poll, there was,

For Mr. *Walcot* - - - 39.

For Mr. *Mason* - - - 42.

That which made the Difference of the Poll, was; In the Poll produced by the Petitioner, there were put down *William Stockin* and *Richard James* for the Petitioner; who were not put down to him on the Poll produced by the Sitting Member: And there was omitted, in the same Poll, to Mr. *Mason*, the said *William Stockin*, and the Bailiff's Vote; which were put down to him on the Poll produced by the Sitting Member.

The Matters endeavoured to be made out, as well by the Petitioner, as by the Sitting Member, were, Bribery, and the making good a Majority upon the Poll.

The Evidence was as follows:

The Petitioner's Counsel called several Witnesses;

*Robert Wollaston*, said, That Mr. *Hanmer*, Mr. *Mason's* Brother-in-law, told him, That the late Earl of *Macclesfield*, had, by his Will, left in his Hands 100 *l.* and, if he would vote for Mr. *Mason*, he should have as great a Share as any one; and that Mr. *Hanmer* made an Interest for Mr. *Mason*: *Wollaston* said, He was examined as a Witness, at the Hearing of the Merits of the last Election.

*Geo. Winton* said, That Mr. *Mason* met *David Adams* in the Street the Day before the Election, and told him, If he would vote for him, he should have the House, and Three Closes he then possessed, Rent-free: And, the same Day at Night, he told the said *Adams*, That, if he would come up to *London*, he would get him a beneficial Place: And that *David Adams* told him, He was in Arrear of Rent, and Mr. *Mason* had promised him to set it off: *George Winton*, being afterwards examined the next Night the Committee sat, said, That Mr. *Mason* offered him Five Guineas, if he would give him his Vote.

*Edward Minton* said, That old Mr. *Mason* sent for him Two Days before the Election, and told him, That, if he would vote for his Son, he should have his House Rent-free, and Part of 100 *l.* left by the late Earl of *Macclesfield*: He acknowledged, He never had Possession of the House; and that, since Mr. *Mason* had lett it to another.

*Edward Minton* said, That, on the *Christmas* Eve last he heard *John Waters* say, That he would never have voted for Mr. *Mason*, but that he had 5 *l.* for his Vote: He said, He was a Witness at the Hearing of the Merits of the last Election.

*Walter Coneing* said, That *Isaiah Hoggin*, on the *Saturday* before the Election, came to a House where the said *Coneing* was; and he said, That *Isaiah Hoggin* told him, He had no Money, but was to have Three Closes for his Life, after old Mr. *Mason's* Death, paying 12 *d.* a Year; but he was to vote for the Sitting Member in the mean time: He said, He was a Witness against Sir *Gilbert Gerard* at the last Hearing of the Merits of the Election for the said Borough, but not against Mr. *Mason*.

*Jos. Comyns* said, That, at Night, after the Election was over *Wm. Adams* told him, He had seven Pounds, to vote for Mr. *Mason*; and desired him not to divulge it: He acknowledged *Adams* was in Drink: And that the said *Adams* came the Night after the Election, and denied it; and said, He had only a Promise of 40 *s.* of the late Earl of *Macclesfield's* Money.

That *Wm. Stockin*, who was the contested Vote between Mr. *Mason* and Mr. *Walcot*, said, as he was going up the Hall, That, which Way he gave his Vote, he was to have 5 *l.*

That the Petitioner's Counsel, in the next Place, proceeded to except to some Persons on Mr. *Mason's* Poll, as receiving Charity: And called,

*Richard Wollaston*: Who said, That *John Richards* had received, for Four or Five Years last past, of Alderman *Tanner's* Charity; viz. 12 *d.* or 18 *d.* once a Year:

That *Thomas Bright* senior, Scrivener, his Wife had received of the same Charity:

That *Samuel Richards*, or his Wife, had received of the same Charity.

As to *William Stockin*; it was testified by the said *Richard Wollaston*, That the said *Stockin* was put down upon Three Polls: That *Stockin*, being called, and asked who he was for, answered twice, For Mr. *Walcot* and Mr. *Bret*: But the Bailiff, pretending he did not hear, asked him again; and then he gave his Vote for Mr. *Bret* and Mr. *Mason*, without going out of Court.

That the next Thing the Petitioner's Counsel proceeded on, was, to add to their Poll: And they called,

*Richard Wollaston*, *Robert Wollaston*, *Walter Coneing*: Who said, That *Samuel James* had voted formerly for Sir *William Brownlowe*: But it was acknowledged, that he lodged in the Town as a hired Servant, and was a Sort of a travelling Person.

*Walter Coneing* said, That *Thomas Waters* was his Bed-fellow; and he himself was a Housekeeper in *Bishop's Castle*.

That it was admitted by the Sitting Member's Counsel, That the said *James* and *Waters* did offer to poll for the Petitioner; but they denied that they had any Votes.

That the Sitting Member's Counsel first applied themselves to answer the Petitioner's Evidence: And they called,

*Robert Mason*, *John Jones*, and *William Stockin*: Who gave an Account, That *Stockin* did once, and but once, name Mr. *Walcot's* Name, by Mistake; and presently retracted, and gave his Vote for Mr. *Bret* and Mr. *Mason*: And, *Robert Mason* said, That *Samuel James* was no Inhabitant; *John Jones* said, That the Bailiff did give his Vote for Mr. *Bret* and Mr. *Mason*.

*Charles Bright* said, That, after the Election was over, he discoursed with *Robert Wollaston*: Who said, He had no Business at *London*; and swore he had nothing to say against Mr. *Mason*, or any concerned for him.

*Charles Jones* and *Robert Owen* said, That, on the *Thursday* before the Election, they heard *Edward Minton*, one of the Petitioner's Witnesses, say, That if Mr. *Mason* was elected, Three or Four of them would come up and turn him out, right or wrong: And *Robert Owen* testified, That *Wm. Minton*, another of the Petitioner's Witnesses, said, That Mr. *Mason* should never sit in the House.

*Charles Jones*, *Fran. Colbach*, said, That they were at *Morris Pugh's* when *Geo. Winton* and *Adams* were there: And *Colbach* said, He was nearer to Mr. *Mason* than *Minton*: And they did not hear Mr. *Mason* make any Promise to *Adams*, in Case he would vote for him: And *Colbach* and *John Holmes* said, That *Adams* had promised his Vote for Mr. *Mason*, before Mr. *Mason* came to Town: *Jones* said, That *Adams* told Mr. *Mason*, He had voted for him before, and would vote for him again.

*John Holmes* said, That *David Adams* has held his House Three Years at *Lady-day* of old Mr. *Mason*, paying 9 *l.* a Year; and *Adams* paid 3 *l.* in Part of Rent, at *Christmas* last:

That Mr. *Mason* did not come down till the Day before the Election; and declared, He would not speak to any of the *Mintons*.

*Josiah Hoggin* said, That he held Lands of old Mr. *Mason*; but that the Sitting Member had nothing to do with the Estate, unless his Father did please to give it him: And that all that voted for Mr. *Mason*, except Two *Nortons*, had promised to be for Mr. *Mason*, before he came to Town.

*Thomas Bright*, *Hugh Mason*, and *Fran. Colebach*, said, That *Samuel James* and *Thomas Waters* were not intitled to any Vote; for that he lived at *Colebach*, and not in *Bishop's Castle*.

*John Jones* and *John James* said, That Mr. *Mason* senior was very bad-sighted, and seldom went any where without Company: And that they were with the said Mr. *Mason* at *Daniel Jones's*, and *Edward Minton* came in; whereupon Mr. *Mason* bid them observe what he said, for they

they would put Bribery on him: That Mr. *Mason* asked *Edward Minton* to give his Son a Vote: And he said, He would consider of it: Whereupon Mr. *Mason* said, If he would not give his Son a Vote, he could say nothing to it: And that *Minton* asked Mr. *Mason* to let him a House: But Mr. *Mason* said he had none to let him for the present.

Then the next Thing Mr. *Mason's* Counsel proceeded to, was, to disqualify some of the Petitioner's Voters. The Counsel objected to Mr. *Mason's* own Vote.

*Fran. Colebach* said, That *Stephen Minton* lived in a House built for the Poor; and had received of *Tanner's* Charity, particularly 4*d.* last June:

That *Nath. Nicholas* and *Thomas Bright's* Wives had received each of them 4*d.* or 3*d.* of the same Charity last June, and had Bread at a Funeral.

That the next Head was Bribery.

*Samuel Lloyd* said, That Mrs. *Pugh*, whose Husband voted for Mr. *Walcot* and Mr. *Mason*, gave him Twenty Shillings, to vote for Mr. *Walcot*; and he had also Eight Strikes of Malt on the Election-day in the Morning: But the said *Samuel Lloyd* was excepted to, as receiving Charity; and, having voted on both Sides, not insisted on.

*Charles Bright* said, That the Night before the Election, the Petitioner told the said *Bright*, who voted for Mr. *Mason* and Mr. *Bret*, If he would vote for him, he would give him 5*l.*: And he gave his Man Half a Crown to give him; and said, He would make it up 5*l.* next Morning: That the said *Bright* did acknowledge, He did not make Mr. *Walcot* any Promise to vote for him, and did not vote for Mr. *Walcot*: But the next Morning the said *Bright* offered the Petitioner the Half Crown; but the Petitioner bid him keep it, saying, He would make it up.

*Hugh Mason* said, There was 40*s.* due to him from Mr. *Walcot*, for Drink brewed at a former Election; which he could not get, till Mr. *Graves* came to him, to desire his Vote at this Election; and then he insisted on the said 40*s.* so owing to him: Mr. *Graves* afterwards brought, and desired him to accept of 30*s.* in Part; and promised him the other 10*s.* and thanked him for his Acceptance thereof.

*Hugh Mason* voted for Mr. *Mason* and Mr. *Brett*.

That by way of Reply, the Petitioner's Counsel called, Mr. *Brent*: Who said, He was a sworn Clerk, to take the Poll; and did not hear the Bailiff give his Vote.

*Richard Wollaston* said, That, Two Days after the Election, he met *Charles Bright* junior; and he asked him, If Mr. *Walcot* or his Agents, had given him any Money for his Vote: And he denied it with Protestations.

And that, upon the whole Matter, the Committee came to these Resolutions:

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *Charles Mason* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*.

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That *George Walcot* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*.

The First Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *Charles Mason* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*.

The Second Resolution being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That *George Walcot* Esquire is not duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Sir Edw. Ernley*, } 126.  
                                  { *Mr. Hopkins*:

Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. Vernon*, } 100.  
                                  { *Mr. Pendarvis*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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*Ordered*, That Leave be given to make a Motion for the Second Reading the Bill to declare the Alterations in the Oath appointed to be taken by the Act, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; and for declaring the Association to be determined.

And the Motion was made accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

The Bill was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Petitions relating to the *Irish Forfeitures*; and the Trustees Reports thereupon.

And the Trustees in Town attending, according to Order; They were called in:

And the Petition of *Helen Arthur* Widow, and Relict of *Robert Arthur*, of *Hacketstowne*, in the County of *Dublin*, Esquire, deceased, in behalf of herself, and her Two Daughters *Frances* and *Dymphna Arthur*, being next to be considered;

The Trustees acquainted the House, That the Petitioner had entered her Claim before the Trustees; and that the same was allowed.

The Petition of *Peter Fagan* being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for Relief of the said *Peter Fagan*;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *Dennis Molony* being read, and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. *Molony*, in regard to the Judgment mentioned in his Petition, pretended to be assigned to him: And that Mr. *Brewer* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *Rebecca Viscountess of Falkland*, Relict and Executrix of *Henry Lord Viscount Falkland*, deceased, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Lady *Falkland*;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Mr. Gulston*, } 49.  
                                  { *Mr. Hayes*:

Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. St. John*, } 42.  
                                  { *Mr. Jennens*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That *Sir John Bolles* and Mr. *Hayes* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of Major *Walter Delamar* being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in, a Bill for the Relief for the said Major *Delamar*;

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It passed in the Negative.  
The Trustees being called in;  
And the Petition of *Edward Nugent* being read; and  
the Trustees Report thereupon;  
The Trustees were heard thereunto.  
And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Edward Nugent*, according to the Prayer of his Petition: And that Sir *Thomas Powys* and Mr. *Comyns* do prepare, and bring, in the said Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon To-morrow Se-  
vennight, proceed further in the Consideration of the  
Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures; and the  
Trustees Reports thereupon: And that the Trustees in  
Town do then attend.

Whitby  
Harbour.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to  
whom the Bill for rebuilding, and keeping in good Re-  
pair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby* in the  
North Riding of the County of *York*, was committed,  
be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning.

Powell's  
Estate.

Ordered, That Sir *Charles Barrington*, Sir *Edward  
Turner*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Fitch*, Mr. *Comyns*, Mr.  
*Manley*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Tredenham*, and Mr. *Gape*,  
be added to the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill,  
from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting in Trustees  
the Estate late of Sir *William Powell* Baronet, deceased,  
for raising Portions for the younger Children of Sir *John  
Williams*, and Dame *Mary* his Wife, Daughter of the  
said Sir *William Powell*; and to enable *William Williams*,  
their eldest Son, to make a Jointure to such Wife as he  
shall marry . . . . .

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow  
Morning, Nine a Clock.

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1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Reginae.

#### PRAYERS.

Earl of  
Exeter's  
Estate.

A BILL for the Sale of certain Manors and Lands,  
of *John* late Earl of *Exeter*, for Payment of the  
Debts, Funeral, and Legacies of the said Earl, was read  
the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mansell's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act  
to enable *Edward Mansell* Esquire to raise a further Sum  
of One thousand Pounds on a Mortgage of the Impro-  
priated Rectory of *Llanriddian*, for Payment of Debts,  
was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second . . . . .

Ashurst's  
Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of Sir *William Ashurst*, with re-  
lation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Bagnall's  
Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *Nicholas Bagnall* Esquire, with  
relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed.

Ordered, That it be committed to the Committee, to  
whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dow-  
ager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, was  
committed.

Palmer's  
Estate.

The Lord *Cheine* reported from the Committee, to  
whom the Bill to enable *Jeffery Palmer* Esquire to settle  
a Jointure upon *Elizabeth* his Wife, was committed, That  
they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found  
the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had  
given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the  
Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to  
report the Bill to the House, without any Amendments:  
And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Thomas Keightley* Keightley's  
Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, Relief.  
was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And the Title be,  
An Act for the Relief of *Thomas Keightley* Esquire,  
with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Ogle* do carry the Bill to the  
Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for making the River *Darwent*, in *Darwent*  
the County of *York*, navigable, was read the Third time. Navigation.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title  
be, An Act for making the River *Darwent*, in the  
County of *York*, navigable.

Ordered, That the Lord *Fairfax* do carry the Bill to  
the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Bill for the Relief of *Francis* Earl of *Carlingford*, Earl of Car-  
and others, against several Outlawries in the County of lingford's,  
*Tipperary* in *Ireland*, was read the First time. &c. Relief.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Ordered, That Mr. *Clayton* have Leave to go into the Leave of  
Country, upon extraordinary Occasions. Absence.

A Bill for the Relief of *Robert Edgeworth* Esquire, with Edgeworth's  
relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time. Relief.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time To-  
morrow Sevensnight, at Twelve a Clock.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer acquainted the Queen ap-  
House, That her Majesty had been pleased to appoint to points to be  
be attended by this House, To-morrow in the Afternoon, attended.  
at Four a Clock, at her Palace at *St. James's*.

The House being acquainted, That the Marshal of King's Bench  
the *King's Bench* Prison attended, according to Order; Prison.

He was called in; and presented to the House a Map  
of the said Prison, and Extent of the Rules thereof.

And then he withdrew.

The Map is bound up with the other Papers of this  
Session.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Map be  
referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom  
the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench*  
and *Fleet* is committed.

Ordered, That the Marshal of the *King's Bench*  
Prison, and Warden of the *Fleet* Prison, do attend the  
said Committee To-morrow Morning.

A Petition of the Governor and Company of the Bank Bank of  
of *England* was presented to the House, and read; set- England,  
ting forth, That, by an Act in the Eighth and Ninth Exemption  
Years of his late Majesty, it is, among other Things, from Taxes.

enacted, That the common, capital, and principal Stock,  
and also the real Fund, of the Petitioners, or any Profit  
or Produce to be made thereof, or arising thereby; as  
also the particular Share, Part, and Interest, of any  
Member of the Bank in the said Stock or Fund, or the  
Profit or Produce to be made thereof, or arising thereby;  
should be, and was, exempted from any Taxes or Im-  
positions whatsoever during the Continuance of the said  
Bank: That, in the Bill depending in the Honourable  
House, there is a Clause, or Clauses, to tax the  
Petitioners, contrary to the Exemption in the Act  
before-mentioned: And praying, That they may be  
heard, by their Counsel, against the said Clause, or  
Clauses, so far as concerns them.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition  
be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to  
whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of the *English* Company trading to the *East* East India  
*Indies* was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, Company's  
That, by the Act, made in the Ninth Year of his late Exemption  
Majesty's Reign, for raising a Sum, not exceeding Two from Taxes.  
Millions, for the Service of the Crown of *England*; and  
for settling the Trade to the *East Indies*; the said  
Company



Company is exempted from any Taxes or Impositions whatsoever: That the Petitioners are informed, That, in a Bill depending in the House, there is a Clause, or Clauses, whereby the Petitioners are intended to be taxed, contrary to their said Exemption: And praying, They may be heard, by their Counsel, against the said Clause, or Clauses, so far as concerns them.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Sudbury  
Workhouses.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for erecting Hospitals and Workhouses within the Town of *Sudbury*, in the County of *Suffolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor thereof, be read To-morrow Morning.

Supply Bill;  
Subsidies and  
Land Tax.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the said Bill; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

Privateers.

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers.

Estates  
given to  
superstitious  
Uses.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*....., be made upon this Day Seven-night.

Salt Duties.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday* Seven-night, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

Whitby  
Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding in the County of *York*, was committed, be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning.

Money for  
repairing  
Churches,  
&c.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the more easy Recovery of Money for the Repair of Churches and Chapels be read a Second time To-morrow Morning.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be revived.

Whitley's  
Arrears of  
Public Mo-  
ney.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Coke*, Mr. *Heysham*, Sir *Hen. Johnson*, Mr. *St. Loe*, Mr. *Curson*, be added to the Committee appointed to examine Mr. *Morgan Whitley* with respect to his Accounts of the publick Monies, and his Vouchers for the same; and also in whose Hands the Money he stands charged with is.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 2<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;*

1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Regiæ.

PRAYERS.

Sudbury  
Workhouses.

A BILL for erecting Hospitals and Workhouses within the Town of *Sudbury*, in the County of *Suffolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor thereof, was, according to Order, read the First time.

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*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Petition of *Susannah Filmer*, Widow, Relict, and Powell's Administratrix of the Goods and Chattels of *Thomas Estate, Filmer*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Intestate was Executor to Sir *William Powell* Baronet, who, by Will, invested him with all his Estate, on several Trusts, and for a Term not yet performed or determined: That Sir *John Williams* Baronet hath a Bill depending for divesting the Petitioner of the said Trust, and Term, without her Consent: That she conceives, and is advised, the Bill tends not only to her Wrong, but to the Destruction of the Intent of the said Will: And praying, That she may be heard, by her Counsel, what she hath to object against the same; or other Relief in the Premises.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed; It passed in the Negative.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That, Answer to their Address having been presented to her Majesty, Address. That she would please to issue forth her Royal Proclamation for the apprehending *Thomas Colepeper* Esquire, Mr. *Abraham Owen*, Mr. *John Collins*, and Mr. *Edward Owen*, her Majesty hath been pleased to give Directions for the issuing forth her Royal Proclamation accordingly.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act Balsall for the better Government of the Hospital of *Balsall*, in Hospital. the County of *Warwick*, founded by the Lady *Catharine Leveson*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *John Leveson Gower*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Fleming*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Colchester*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *St. John*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Sir *Will. Scawen*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Mr. *Goulston*, Mr. *Brereton*, Mr. *Nicholas*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Kendall*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Byerley*, Sir *Char. Bloys*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Manley*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Nicholson*, Sir *Edm. Bacon*, Mr. *Renda*, Sir *Charles Barrington*, Mr. *Fagg*, Sir *John Wynne*, Sir *John Molesworth*, Mr. *Shackerly*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Warwick*, *Stafford*, and *Oxon*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, Bishop's That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of Castle Writ. the Crown, to make out a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bishop's Castle*, in the County of *Salop*, in the room of *Charles Mason* Esquire, who has been adjudged not to be duly elected;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for making Provision for the Protestant Children Earl Clanriccard's, &c. Provision. of the Earl of *Clanriccard* and the Lord *Bophin* was committed, be made upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Mr. *Lowndes*, according to Order, presented to the Supply Bill; House a Bill for making good several Deficiencies, and Deficiencies, and Public Credit. preserving the publick Credit: And the same was received.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take Whitby into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to Harbour. whom the Bill for rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, was committed.

And the same were once read throughout; and then several of them a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Amendment, Folio 2. L. 8. for a Farthing a Chuldron to be laid upon Coals, being read a Second time;

And



Earl Clan-  
riccard's, &c.  
Provision.

A Petition of *Richard Earl of Clanriccard*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, was presented to the House, relating to the Bill for making Provision for the Protestant Children of the Earl of *Clanriccard* and the Lord *Bophin*.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee, to whom the said Bill was committed.

Talbot's  
Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *Charlotte Talbot* was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Smith's  
Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *Susanna Smith* Widow, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Campion* have Leave to go into the Country, for a Fortnight, for Recovery of his Health.

Dorchester  
Workhouses.

Mr. *Napier*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for erecting Hospitals and Workhouses for employing the Poor of the Borough of *Dorchester*, in the County of *Dorset*: And the same was received.

Lavallin's  
Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *Jane Lavallin*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Vernon's  
Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *Mary Vernon* was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy Baroness Dowager of Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, was committed.

And the Petition of *Thomas Carter* Gentleman, which lay on the Table until the said Bill should be read a Second time, being again read;

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Buller* have Leave to go into the Country, for Recovery of his Health.

Lord Mount-  
joy's Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *William Lord Viscount Mountjoy* was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy Countess Dowager of Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, was committed.

Irish For-  
feitures.

A Bill to recompense *Philip Savage* Esquire for the Charge of Outlawries, and attending the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy Countess Dowager of Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, was committed.

Wandesford's  
Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *Elizabeth Wandesford*, and her Daughter, was read a Second time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be committed;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Major *Morgan*, } 92.  
Colonel *Granville*,

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *St. John*, } 53.  
Sir *Justinian Isham*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy Baroness Dowager of Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

Ashurst's  
Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of Sir *William Ashurst*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

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*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy Baroness Dowager of Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

A Bill for the Relief of *Francis Earl of Carlingford*, and others, against several Outlawries, in the County of *Tipperary* in *Ireland*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy Baroness Dowager of Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Thomas Hodges* was referred, be made upon *Friday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt, was committed, be made upon *Saturday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for obliging the Jews to maintain and provide for their Protestant Children be read To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Dormer*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to summon *John Holder* to surrender himself: And the same was received.

Sir *John Bolles*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for enlarging the Time to *Rebecca Viscountess Falkland* to enter her Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, with relation to a Mortgage upon the Estate of *Patrick Sarsfield* Esquire, deceased: And the same was received.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for making Provision for the Protestant Children of the Earl of *Clanriccard* and the Lord *Bophin* was committed, be now made, according to the Order of the Day;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Goulston*, } 113.  
Mr. *Mansell*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Tho. Wroth*, } 54.  
Sir *John Holland*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. *Bruges* accordingly reported, from the Committee to whom the said Bill was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be re-committed;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel *Bierly*, } 28.  
Sir *Isaac Rebow*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Bridges*, } 113.  
Mr. *Pendarvis*:

So it passed in the Negative.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Petition of the Earl of *Clanriccard* be now read; It passed in the Negative.

Then the House proceeded upon the said Amendments. And the same being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with an Amendment to One of them, agreed unto by the House.

And the Blanks in the Bill, for the Sum to be paid for the said Estate, being left by the Committee, to be filled up by the House;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Blanks be filled up with Thirty thousand Pounds;

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The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. St. John, } 45.  
 { Mr. Comyns: }  
 Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Bertie, } 60.  
 { Mr. Cooke: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the Blanks be filled up with Five-and-twenty thousand Pounds.

And the Blanks were filled up accordingly.

And also the Blank in the Bill, for the Time to raise the Money in, being left, by the Committee, to be filled up by the House;

The same was filled up by the House;

And other Amendments were made, by the House, to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Answer to Address.

Mr. Speaker reported, That he, with the House, attended her Majesty upon *Thursday* last; and presented to her Majesty their Address of Thanks for her Majesty's most gracious Speech: And that her Majesty was pleased to answer to this Effect; viz.

Gentlemen,

IT is a great Satisfaction to me to find you are so well pleased with what I have said. I shall be glad, upon all Occasions to let you see, I desire nothing so much as the Ease and Happiness of My People.

Irish Forfeitures.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, the First Business, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, and the Trustees Reports thereupon: And that the Trustees in Town do then attend.

Supply Bill; Subsidies and Land Tax.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned.

Estates given to superstitious Uses.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*; was committed; be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Oath of Abjuration.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill to declare the Alterations in the Oath appointed to be taken by the Act, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; and for declaring the Association to be determined.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 9° die Aprilis;*

1° Annæ Reginæ.

PRAYERS.

Ryssen's Nat.

SIR Joseph Tredonham, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for naturalizing *Daniel Van Ryssen*: And the same was received.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. Serjeant *Whitaker* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

A Bill for the erecting Hospitals and Workhouses within the Town of *Sudbury*, in the County of *Suffolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor thereof, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to the Earl of *Dysert*, Sir *Gervas Elwes*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Lampton*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Styles*, Sir *Hen. Dutt. Colt*, Mr. *White*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Richards*, Sir *Will. Ashurst*, Sir *Edw. Hasle*, Mr. *Fagg*, Sir *Fran. Blaake*, Sir *Char. Hotham*, Mr. *Thompson*, Colonel *Colchester*, Mr. *Fletcher*, Mr. *Manley*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Mr. *Goulston*, Sir *Char. Bloys*, Sir *John Molesworth*, Mr. *Chace*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *Blaake*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Offley*, Mr. *Brereton*, Mr. *Kirby*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Sussex*, *Norfolk*, and *Essex*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the Sale of the Manor, or reputed Manor, of *Parkbury*, and other Lands and Hereditaments, in the County of *Hertford*; and for applying the Monies, arising by the Sale thereof, to the Uses hereby directed; was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting several Messuages and Tenements, in the Counties of *Bedford* and *Middlesex*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for purchasing Lands or Rents, to be settled to the same Uses; was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Etterick*, Mr. *Lampton*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Rob. Bertie*, Mr. *Nicholson*, Mr. *Johnson*, Sir *Edw. Hussey*, Mr. *Jacob*, Mr. *St. Loc*, Sir *Edw. Norreys*, Mr. *Hen. Bertie*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Mr. *Vernon*, Mr. *Morley*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Styles*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Mr. *Comyns*, Sir *Hen. Lyddall*, Sir *Char. Bloys*, Sir *Francis Child*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Serjeant Whitaker*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Clerke*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Mitford*, Mr. *Stockdale*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Hertford*, *Middlesex*, and *Bedford*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

An ingrossed, Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting several Lands, in the Counties of *Surrey* and *Sussex*, the Estate of *Mary Johnson*, Wife of *William Johnson* Gentleman, in Trustees, to be sold, for discharging several Mortgages, and other Debts, charged upon the Estate of the said *William Johnson*; and settling his Estate upon his said Wife, and her Children by him, clear of Incumbrances; was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling the Estate of *John* and *Robert Window* Gentlemen, deceased, upon Trustees, to be sold; and the Purchase-money applied to the Uses therein mentioned; was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Ordered, That Sir *Hen. Lyddall*, Mr. *Carr*, be added to the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to vest several Lands and Tenements, in the County of *York*, in Trustees, to be sold for the raising a Portion for *Henrietta Tempest*, an Infant, is committed.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting certain Lands and Tenements of *Mountague* Earl of *Abingdon*, in Trustees, to be sold; and purchasing other Lands, of equal Value; and limiting the Lands, to be purchased, to the same Uses as the Lands to be sold are limited; was read the First Time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Ordered,



Whitby  
Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill for rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, be read the Third time upon *Monday* Morning next.

Leave of  
Absence.

*Ordered*, That Colonel *Stringer* have Leave to go into the Country, for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Jews  
Protestant  
Children.

A Bill to oblige the Jews to maintain and provide for their Protestant Children, was, according to Order, read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Edgeworth's  
Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *Robert Edgeworth* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was, according to Order, read a Second time:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Sir John Thorold*,  
                                  { *Mr. Pershall*: } 135.

Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. Bruges*,  
                                  { *Sir Christo. Hales*: } 66.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, was committed.

Masters  
of Hoys  
carrying  
Provisions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Johnson* be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other inland Provisions, to the City of *London*, is committed.

Union with  
Scotland.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for enabling her Majesty to appoint Commissioners to treat for an Union between the Kingdoms of *England* and *Scotland*.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Oath of  
Abjuration.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill to declare the Alterations in the Oath appointed to be taken by the Act, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; and for declaring the Association to be determined.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made To-morrow Morning.

Privateers.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris*, 10° die Aprilis;

1° Annæ Reginae.

## PRAYERS.

**A**N ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act <sup>Pawlet's</sup> for vesting the Lands of *Henry Pawlet*, a Lunatick, <sup>Estate.</sup> in order to make suitable Provision for him, his next Heir, and next Relations, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act <sup>Barnwell's</sup> for the enabling *Abraham Barnwell* to make a more ample <sup>Estate.</sup> Settlement of his Estate, for the Benefit of his Family; and to charge Part thereof for raising Portions for his younger Children, in his Life-time; and for Payment of his Debts; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That the Reports of the Bills, relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, which have been committed, and which <sup>seitures.</sup> the Committee have gone through, be taken To-morrow Morning.

An ingrossed Bill to enable *Geffery Palmer* Esquire <sup>Palmer's</sup> to settle a Jointure upon *Elizabeth* his Wife, was read the <sup>Estate.</sup> Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable *Geffery Palmer* Esquire to settle a Jointure upon *Elizabeth* his Wife.

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Cheine* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act <sup>Mansell's</sup> to enable *Edward Mansell* Esquire to raise a further Sum <sup>Estate.</sup> of One thousand Pounds on a Mortgage of the Impropriated Rectory of *Llanriddian*, for Payment of Debts, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Mansell*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Mr. *Carr*, Sir *John Poole*, Sir *John Williams*, Sir *John Bolles*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Shackerley*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *Banks*, Sir *Walter Yong*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Fran. Blake*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Chivers*, Mr. *Philips*, Sir *Char. Barrington*, Mr. *Cartwright*, Mr. *Burnaby*; and all that serve for *Wales*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Sir *Richard Onslow* reported from the Committee, to <sup>Windsor</sup> whom the Bill for enabling the Dean and Canons of the <sup>Deanery</sup> Queen's free Chapel of *St. George*, within her Castle of <sup>Estate.</sup> *Windsor*, to take from her Majesty, in Exchange for divers Parcels of Land belonging to them, other Lands or Rents, of like Value, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations therein; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Wicks* have Leave to go into the <sup>Leave of</sup> Country, for Recovery of his Health. <sup>Absence.</sup>

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Balch* have Leave to go into the Country, for Three Weeks, upon extraordinary Occasions.

Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* reported from the Committee, to <sup>Hunt's</sup> whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An <sup>Estate.</sup> Act to enable the Trustees of *James Hunt* Esquire, deceased, to sell Timber, for the Payment of his Debts and Legacies, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations



Allegations therein, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that they had directed him to report the Bill to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Stone's  
Estate.

Mr. Bertye reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more effectual Settlement of the Estate of *John Stone*, of *Baldwyn-Brightwell*, in the County of *Oxon*, Esquire, in his Family and Name, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, with several Amendments made thereunto by the said Committee; which Amendments they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Bishop of  
Gloucester's  
Estate.

Mr. Offley reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable the Bishop of *Gloucester*, and his Successors, to make distinct and separate Leases of the Manors, Lands, and Premises therein mentioned, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations therein, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the said Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Oath of  
Abjuration.

Mr. Conyers, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill to declare the Alterations in the Oath appointed to be taken by the Act, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; and for declaring the Association to be determined; was committed; the Amendments which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and all of them, except Clause A. upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Clause A. being read a Second time, That such Members of either House of Parliament, who had taken the Oath according to the Form agreed upon in each House, should not be required again, in respect of their being Members of either House, to take the said Oath during the Continuance of that Parliament;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, That no Member of either House of Parliament, who had taken the Oath according to the Form agreed upon in each House, be obliged to take the Oath again during the Continuance of that Parliament, in respect of their being Members of either House, or in respect of any Commission or Place held or enjoyed at the Time of taking the said Oath;

The same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Union with  
Scotland.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to

whom the Bill for enabling her Majesty to appoint Commissioners to treat for an Union betwixt the Kingdoms of *England* and *Scotland*, was committed, the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, notwithstanding the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid, was read a Second time.

Raising the  
Militia.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

A Bill for enlarging and encouraging the *Greenland* Trade was read a Second time.

Greenland  
Trade.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Lowndes, Sir *Tho. Cook*, Sir *Tho. Davall*, Mr. *Heysham*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Mr. *Herne*, Mr. *Parker*, Mr. *Barrell*, Sir *William Ashurst*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Sir *Rich. Cocks*, Sir *Phil. Boteler*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Clerke*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Mr. *Pace*, Mr. *Herne*, Mr. *Johnson*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Sir *Matth. Jenison*, Mr. *Fagg*, Mr. *Ogle*, Sir *John Mordaunt*, Mr. *Heathcote*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Ward*; and all that are Merchants; and that serve for Sea-port Towns: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned.

Supply Bill;  
Subsidies  
and Land  
Tax.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the said Bill; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

Salt Duties.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying a Duty upon buying, selling, or bargaining for, Shares in any Joint Stocks of Corporations.

Duty on  
Sale of joint  
Stock Shares.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Thomas Hodges* Esquire was referred, be made upon *Thursday* Morning next.

Barbadoes  
Government.

Ordered, That Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Sir *John Leveson Gower*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *St. John*, and Mr. *Bridges*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation . . the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

Baroness of  
Upper  
Ossory's  
Relief.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Subbati, 11<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Reginæ.

## PRAYERS.

MAJOR Henry Foubert, Samuel Racenell, Leve Doudart Treoigar, Lewis de la Faye, Lewis Pasquericau, John Espinaste de Fomve, took the Oaths appointed, in order to their Naturalization.

Molony's Relief. A Bill for the Relief of *Dennis Molony* Gentleman, was read the First time.  
Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Nugent's Relief. A Bill for the Relief of *Edward Nugent*, of *Donore*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Esquire, was read the First time.  
Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Viscountess Falkland's Relief. A Bill for enlarging the Time to *Rebecca Viscountess Falkland* to enter her Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, with relation to a Mortgage upon the Estate of *Patrick Sarsfield* Esquire, deceased, was read the First time.  
Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Talbot's Relief. A Bill for the Relief of *Charlotte Talbot*, was read a Second time.  
Resolved, That the Bill be committed.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy Baroness Dowager of Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, was committed.

Smith's Relief. A Bill for the Relief of *Susannah Smith* Widow, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy Baroness Dowager of Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, was committed.

Ordered, That Mr. *Nicholas* be added to the said Committee.

Lavallin's Relief. A Bill for the Relief of *Jane Lavallin*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy Baroness Dowager of Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, was committed.

Dorchester Workhouses. Ordered, That the Bill for erecting Hospitals and Work-houses for employing the Poor of the Borough of *Dorchester*, in the County of *Dorset*, be read upon Monday Morning next.

Supply Bill; Salt Duties and Land Tax. Ordered, That Mr. *Lowndes* do prepare, and bring in, a Clause, to be presented to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, is committed, to exempt the Money given this Session for the Land Forces from paying Fees at the Exchequer.

Insolvent Debtors. Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt, was committed, be made upon Monday Morning next.

Lutterell's Relief. Mr. *Manley* reported from the Committee to whom the Bill for the Relief of Colonel *Lutterell*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

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Ordered, That the Residue of the Reports of the Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures be made upon Monday Morning next.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Sir *Richard Holford*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the . . . intituled, An Act to explain and alter the Act, made in the Twenty-second Year of King *Henry* the Eighth, concerning the repairing and amending the Bridges upon the Highways; and for repealing an Act, made in the Twenty-third Year of Queen *Elizabeth*, for the re-edifying *Cardiffe* Bridge, in the County of *Glamorgan*; and also for changing the Day of Election of the Wardens and Assistants of *Rochester* Bridge, without Amendments: And also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Robert Appreese* the elder, and *Robert Appreese* the younger, Esquires, to raise Money out of their Estate, for Payment of a Debt due to her Majesty, and other Debts, without Amendment. Also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of *William Matthews* Gentleman, and *Catharine* his Wife, in Trustees, to be sold for the Purposes therein mentioned, with an Amendment: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Petitions relating to the *Irish* forfeited Estates; and the Trustees Report thereupon.

And the Trustees in Town attending, according to Order;

They were called in:

And the Petition of Sir *Robert King* Baronet, and *William Cawse* Esquire, being read; and also the Petition of *Arthur* and *John St. Leger* Esquires;

The Trustees acquainted the House, That the Petitioners had entered their Claims, according to the Desire of their Petitions, by Virtue of the Act of the last Parliament.

The Petition of *Cæsar Bradshaw* Esquire, Son and Administrator of Sir *Cornwall Bradshaw* Knight, deceased, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. *Bradshaw*, by giving him longer Time to prosecute his Claim entered before the Trustees: And that Mr. *Bridges* and Mr. *Renda*, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in:

And the Petition of *Nicholas Darby* being read;

The Trustees acquainted the House, That the Petitioner had entered his Claim before the Trustees.

The Petition of *Ridgely Nugent* being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. *Nugent*.

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of Captain *Edmund Keating* being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That the said Mr. *Keating* be relieved, according to the Prayer of his Petition: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do take care therein.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *John Ellis* Esquire being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

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Ordered,

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. *Ellis*, according to the Prayer of his Petition: And that Sir *Roger Mostyn* and Sir *Charles Hedges* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of Sir *Robert Bedingfeild* being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Sir *Robert Bedingfeild*;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *John Trant*, eldest Son and Heir of the late Sir *Patrick Trant*, deceased, on the behalf of himself, and of his Mother, Brothers, and Sisters, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for making Provision for the Family of the said *John Trant*, upon his paying a certain Sum out of the Estate to the Publick; And that Mr. Solicitor General and Mr. *Tredenham* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to them, That they do make Provision, in the Bill, for the Settlement of the Protestants at *Portarlington*.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of Sir *Stephen Fox* being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Sir *Stephen Fox*, by allowing him further Time to make his Claim: And that Mr. *Fox* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called . . .;

And the Petition of Captain *Richard Wolseley*, Captain *Charles Meredyth*, Captain *St. John Web*, and *Morgan Bernard* Gentleman, on the behalf of themselves, and others, Tenants to Part of the Estate of the late King *James the Second*, in *Ireland*, commonly called the private Estate, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of Captain *Wolseley*, and other Protestant Lessees of the private Estate in *Ireland*, by making Provision for paying back all the Monies by them paid for Fines, and the Expences they have been at in Improvements: And that Mr. *Paget* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, at the First Sitting of the House, proceed in the further Consideration of the Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures; and the Trustees Reports thereupon: And that the Trustees in Town do then attend.

Committees.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That all Committees be adjourned;

It passed in the Negative.

Damasking  
Stuffs.

Ordered, That Sir *Michael Biddulph*, and Mr. *Shacklerley*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours on all Sorts of Stuffs and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same; is committed.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

Lunæ, 13° die Aprilis,

1° Annæ Reginae.

PRAYERS.

A BILL for naturalizing *Daniel Van Ryssen*, was *Ryssen's* Nat.  
read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Thomas St. Leger de Bacolon*, *Joseph de Launey*, *Alexander de Raquel de Fourneaux*, and others, was read a Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Clarke*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Topham*, Mr. *Rowney*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Mr. *Napier*, Mr. *Bertye*, the Lord *Cheine*, Sir *Richard Onslow*, Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, Sir *Gerv. Elwes*, Mr. *Morgan*, Colonel *Wharton*, Mr. *Crow*, Mr. *Manley*, Mr. *Brereton*, Mr. *Hopkins*, Mr. *Lascells*, Mr. *Yates*, Sir *Will. Ashurst*, Sir *Jeff. Jeffries*, Sir *Fran. Windham*, Mr. *Shackerly*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, Mr. *St. Loe*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Hen. Lyddall*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Masters*, Mr. *Moncton*, Mr. *Pitfeild*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Bere*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Colchester*, Mr. *Jolliffe*, Sir *Walter Yong*, Mr. *Moor*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Mr. *Bromley* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Nicholas Bagnall* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be ingrossed.

Mr. *Manley* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to enable Trustees to make Sale of Part of the Estate of *Humphrey Bury*, for paying off a Mortgage, and a Portion charged thereupon, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations therein, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Coke* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Francis Earl of Carlingford*, and others, against several Outlawries in the County of *Tipperary*, in *Ireland*, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Sir *Rowland Gwynn* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of Sir *William Ashurst*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be ingrossed.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting to her Supply Bill; Subsidies and Land Tax.

her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, is committed, That they have Power to receive a Clause, That such Regiments as are in the *West Indies*, and are paid out of *Ireland*, may have their Cloathing from thence.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for enlarging the Time for the Sale of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Lord Mountjoy's Relief.

Sir Rowland Gwynn reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of William Lord Viscount Mountjoy was committed, That they had made an Amendment to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; and which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendment, be ingrossed.

Edgeworth's Relief.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bills for the Relief of Robert Edgeworth Esquire, with relation to the *Irish Forfeitures*; and of Elizabeth Wandesford, and her Daughter; were committed; be made To-morrow Morning,

Insolvent Debtors.

Sir Henry Dutton Colt, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

Oath of Abjuration.

An ingrossed Bill to declare the Alterations in the Oath appointed to be taken by the Act, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; and for declaring the Association to be determined; was read the Third time.

And an ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That

And the same was once read;  
And the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.  
An Amendment being proposed to be made;  
Press \* L. \* to insert these Words, "and all these Things;"

The same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to declare the Alterations in the Oath appointed to be taken by the Act, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; and for declaring the Association to be determined.

Ordered, That Mr. Conyers do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Privilege—Owen's Petition.

A Petition of Edward Owen, in the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That \* \* \* \*

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections: And that they do examine the Matter thereof; and report the same, with their Opinion therein, to the House.

An ingrossed Bill for enabling the Dean and Canons of

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the Queen's free Chapel of *St. George*, within her Castle of *Windsor*, to take from her Majesty, in Exchange for divers Parcels of Land belonging to them, other Lands or Rents of like Value, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for confirming a Purchase made by her Majesty, and an Exchange between her Majesty, and the Dean and Canons of the King's free Chapel within the Castle of *Windsor*.

Ordered, That Mr. Topham do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Bill for making . . . the Deficiencies, and preserving the public Credit, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time upon Wednesday Morning next.

Ordered, That the ingrossed Bill for enabling her Majesty to appoint Commissioners to treat for an Union between the Kingdom of *England* and *Scotland* be read the Third time upon To-morrow Morning.

Ordered, That the ingrossed Bill for rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, be read the Third time upon Wednesday Morning next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the said Report be made upon Wednesday Morning next.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Richard Holford and Mr. Pitt:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for Relief of Thomas Keightly Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments. Also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for settling Sir Thomas Cook's Charity of Ten thousand Pounds for the Erecting and Endowing of Worcester College in *Oxford*: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House: And also,

A Bill for naturalizing Stephen Benovad, John Girrard, and others: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

Ordered, That Mr. Lampton. and Sir Lion. Vane, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours into all Sorts of Stuffs and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same; is committed.

Ordered, That Sir Hen. Lyddall, and Mr. Clarke, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of Dorothy Baroness Dowager of Upper Ossory, and Captain James Roche, with relation to the *Irish Forfeitures*, was committed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Windsor Deanery Estate.

Supply Bill; Deficiencies and publick Credit.

Union with Scotland.

Whitby Harbour.

Supply Bill; Subsidies and Land Tax.

Keightley's Relief.

Cook's Endowment of Worcester College.

Benovad's, &c. Nat.

Salt Duties.

Damasking Stuffs.

Baroness of Upper Ossory's, &c. Relief.



Martis, 14<sup>a</sup> die Aprilis;1<sup>a</sup> Annæ Reginae.

## PRAYERS.

Dorchester  
Workhouses.

A BILL for erecting Hospitals and Workhouses for employing the Poor of the Borough of *Dorchester*, in the County of *Dorset*, was read the First time.  
*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Stone's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill for the more effectual Settlement of the Estate of *John Stone*, of *Baldwin Brightwell*, in the County of *Oxon*, Esquire, in his Family and Name, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the more effectual Settlement of the Estate of *John Stone*, of *Baldwin Brightwell*, in the County of *Oxon*, Esquire, in his Family and Name.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bertie* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Edgeworth's  
Relief.

Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Robert Edgeworth* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendment, be ingrossed.

Wandesford's  
Relief.

Sir *Rowland Gwynn* also reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Elizabeth Wandesford*, and her Daughter, was committed, That they had made an Amendment to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendment, be ingrossed.

Bellew's  
Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Captain *Thomas Bellew*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of Captain *Thomas Bellew*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Ogle* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Singleton's  
Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Edward Singleton* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Edward Singleton* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Gwynn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Macdonnell's  
Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Hannah Macdonnell*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Hannah Macdonnell*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bridges* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Privilege—  
Owen's  
Petition.

The House being informed, That the Committee of Privileges and Elections had Yesterday appointed the hearing the Matter upon the Petition of *Edward Owen*, in Custody of the Serjeants at Arms, To-morrow; when,

as a Witness concerning the same is at *Coventry*, and cannot be here in that time;

*Ordered*, That it be a Direction to the said Committee, That they do hear the Matter of the said Petition upon *Monday* next.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt was committed, be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning.

Insolvent  
Debtors.

An ingrossed Bill for enabling her Majesty to appoint Commissioners to treat for an Union between the Kingdoms of *England* and *Scotland* was, according to Order, read the Third time.

Union with  
Scotland.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for enabling her Majesty to appoint Commissioners to treat for an Union between the Kingdoms of *England* and *Scotland*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*; was committed; be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

Estates given  
to super-  
stitious Uses.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers.

Privateers.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Scobell* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Scobell* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the said Bill; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dormer*, and Sir *Hen. Pickering*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for enabling Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Houses, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for the Payment of the Debts of *John Hynde*, late of *London*, Goldsmith, is committed.

Hynde's  
Estate.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Mercurii, 15<sup>a</sup> die Aprilis;1<sup>a</sup> Annæ Reginae.

## PRAYERS.

*DANIEL Van Ryssen* took the Oaths appointed, in order to his Naturalization.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Rebecca Windham* to sell and dispose of an Estate, late *Sarah Verdon's*, in the County of *Norfolk*, was read a Second time.

Windham's  
Estate.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Colonel *Colchester*, Mr. *Yates*, Sir *John Philips*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Price*, Sir *Richard Cocks*, Mr. *Napier*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Sir *John Williams*, Mr. *Fletcher*, Mr. *Fagg*, Sir *John Bland*, Mr. *Thynn*, Sir *Hen. Lyddall*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Harley*, Mr. *Foley*, Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, Mr. *Jervois*, Mr. *Mansell*, Mr. *Rice*, Mr. *Morgan*, Mr. *Boteler*, Mr. *Price*, Sir *Jerwas Elves*, Mr. *Mansell*, Sir *Fran. Windham*, Mr. *Clarke*, Mr. *Blake*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Qarter*, Sir *Arthur Owen*; and all the Members



Members that serve for the County of *Norfolk*, and for *Wales*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Damasking  
Stuffs.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours into all Sorts of Stuff and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same; was committed; be made upon *Friday* Morning next.

Bury's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill to enable Trustees to make Sale of Part of the Estate of *Humphrey Bury*, for paying off a Mortgage, and a Portion charged thereupon, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable the Trustees to make Sale of Part of the Estate of *Humphrey Bury*, for paying off a Mortgage, and a Portion charged thereupon.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Manley* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Windowe's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling the Estate of *John* and *Robert Windowe* Gentlemen, deceased, upon Trustees, to be sold, and the Purchase Money applied to the Uses therein mentioned, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Coke*, Sir *Char. Hedges*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Char. Blois*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Colonel *Bierly*, Mr. *Bruges*, Mr. *Rowney*, Mr. *Bertie*, Sir *Tho. Dacall*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *William Drake*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Heysham*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Mr. *Harley*, Sir *Tho. Travall*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Gloucester* and *Wills*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

Darwent  
Navigation.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making the River *Darwent*, in the County of *York*, navigable, without any Amendments. Also,

Wiredrawer's  
Trade.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for continuing and amending the Act, made in the Ninth Year of his late Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for settling and adjusting the Proportions of fine Silver, and Silk; and for the better Making of Gold and Silver Thread; and to prevent the Abuses of the Wire drawers; with an Amendment: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

Water-measure  
of Fruit.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, . . . Act to ascertain the Water-measure of Fruit, with an Amendment: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Greenland  
Trade.

Sir *Thomas Dacall* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for enlarging and encouraging the *Greenland* Trade was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same . . . once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Supply Bill;  
Deficiencies  
and publick  
Credit.

A Bill for making good the Deficiencies, and preserving the publick Credit, was, according to Order, read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

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A Petition of several Clothiers, Inhabitants of the County of *Wills* . . . setting forth, That the Woollen Manufacturers of the Kingdom have laboured under great Difficulties, by reason of the heavy Duties which are laid on the Materials used in the Manufacturing thereof; by reason of which the Woollen Manufacturers in foreign Parts have very much the Advantage of the Petitioners: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises, by putting them into a Capacity to supply foreign Markets as cheap as their Neighbours.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee of the whole House.

A Petition of several Clothiers, Inhabitants of *Dursley*, *Ditto*, *Wootton Underedge*, and *Kingswood*, in the County of *Gloucester*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Woollen Manufacturers of the Kingdom have laboured under many Difficulties, by Reason of the heavy Duties which are laid on the Materials used in the Manufacturing thereof: That the Woollen Manufacturers for foreign Parts have very much the Advantage of the Petitioners: And praying, They may be put into a Capacity to supply foreign Markets as cheap as their Neighbours.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for explaining the Act which restrains the declaring any Accounts, until the whole Account of Interest is examined.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for continuing the Power to the Commissioners of the Treasury to compound Debts due to the Crown upon Account of the Excise and Customs.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to enable the Paymaster General of the Forces to apply the Sum of Five thousand and Seventeen Pounds Nineteen Shillings and One Penny, remaining in his Hands, towards the further Discharge of the Off-reckonings.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for the compounding the Debt of the late Receiver of the County of *Lancaster*.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for the effectual Payment of such Soldiers as have not received the full Subsistence during the late War.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given, upon the Report of the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land-tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, to offer a Clause for the amending the Misnomers of the Commissioners Names in the Act for the last Year's Land Tax.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt was committed, be taken into Consideration upon *Tuesday* Morning next at Eleven a Clock.

Mr. *Conyers* reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, was committed, the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and several of them a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned until *Friday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill for rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*; be read the Third time upon *Friday* next.

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*Resolved*,

Duty on Sale  
of Joint  
Stock Shares.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying a Duty upon buying, selling, or bargaining for, Shares in any Joint Stocks of Corporations.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 16<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;*

1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Reginae.

PRAYERS.

Ellis' Relief. *SIR Roger Mostyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *John Ellis* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received.

Wolseley's Relief. *Mr. Roberts*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of Captain *Wolseley*, and other Protestant Lessees of the private Estate in *Ireland*: And the same was received.

Bradshaw's Relief. *Mr. Bridges*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for Relief of *Cæsar Bradshaw* Esquire, by giving him longer Time to prosecute his Claim, entered before the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received.

Vernon's Relief. *Sir Henry Dutton Colt* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Mary Vernon* was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ditto. *Sir Henry Dutton Colt* also reported from the said Committee, That they had considered the Matter of the Petition of *Thomas Carter* Gentleman, which was referred to the said Committee; and that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, That the said Petition is groundless.

The said Resolution being read a Second time;

*Resolved*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That the said Petition is groundless.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Smith's Relief.

*Mr. Nicholas* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Susannah Smith*, Widow, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had made an Amendment to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendment, be ingrossed.

Talbott's Relief.

The Lord *Fairfax* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Charlotte Talbott* was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned until *Saturday* Morning next.

*Mr. Tredenham* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Jane Lavallin*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and several of them a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be re-committed; to the end the Clauses, to be added to it, may be made conformable to the Directions given by the House.

*Ordered*, That such of the Bills relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, which were presented to the House this Day, as are proper to have the Clauses, directed by the House, added to them, be withdrawn; to the end such Clauses may be added accordingly.

A Bill for the Relief of *Dennis Molony* Gentleman was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

A Bill for the Relief of *Edward Nugent* of *Donore*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Esquire, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

A Bill for enlarging the Time to *Rebecca* Viscountess *Falkland* to enter her Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, with relation to a Mortgage upon the Estates of *Patrick Sarsfield* Esquire, deceased, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Cartwright* and *Sir John Bolles* be added to the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given, upon the further Consideration of the Report of the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, to offer a Clause for the ascertaining the Price of such Saltpetre as shall be delivered for the Use of her Majesty's Stores, and the Proportion of the Refraction thereof.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Thomas Hodges* Esquire, was referred, be made upon *Monday* Morning next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded in the further Consideration of the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; and the Trustees Reports thereupon. And the Trustees in Town attending, according to Order;

They were called in:

And the Petition of *William Butler*, for and on behalf of *Sir Redmond Everard*, an Infant of about Twelve Years of Age, and Son and Heir of *Sir John Everard*, late deceased, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Sir Redmond Everard*, by restoring his Estate, upon paying a certain Sum: And that the Lord *Coningsby* and *Mr. Price* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in;

And

And the Petition of *Francis Spring*, in behalf of himself, and other the *English Protestant Tenants* of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. *Spring*, and other *English Protestant Tenants* of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, by satisfying them for their real Improvements: And that Mr. *Moor* and Mr. *Gwynn* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *Catharine Harris*, alias *Kife*, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Catharine Harris*, alias *Kife*, upon her Petition: And that Mr. Solicitor General do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of Sir *William Courtney* Baronet being read;

The Trustees acquainted the House, That he had made his Claim before the Trustees, according to the Prayer of his Petition, in pursuance of the Act of the last Parliament.

The Petition of *Alexander Stewart*, Deputy Lieutenant of the Ordinance in *Ireland*, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Alexander Stewart*, upon his Petition;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Sir <i>Franc. Blake</i> ,	} 25.
	{ Mr. <i>Loraine</i> :	

Tellers for the Noes,	{ Mr. <i>Lowther</i> ,	} 43.
	{ Mr. <i>Rowney</i> :	

So it passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *Anne Hardpany* Widow, in the behalf of *Richard Connell*, an Orphan, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Anne Hardpany*, on the behalf of the said *Richard Connell*, upon her Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of Sir *John Dillon* Knight being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Sir *John Dillon*, upon his Petition;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Sir <i>William St. Quintin</i> ,	} 31.
	{ Sir <i>Richard Sandford</i> :	

Tellers for the Noes,	{ Sir <i>Charles Bloys</i> ,	} 31.
	{ Sir <i>Robert Jenkinson</i> :	

The Votes being equal, Mr. Speaker declared for the Noes.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *William Nottingham*, late of *Baltimore*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put,

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That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *William Nottingham*, upon his Petition; Irish Forfeitures.

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *Laurence Nihill* being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Laurence Nihill*, upon his Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *Martin Ellory* being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Martin Ellory*, upon his Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *Thomas Lord Bishop of Killaloe*, in behalf of himself, and the rest of the Clergy in *Ireland*, intituled to Rents and Chiefries out of the forfeited Estates, being read;

The Trustees acquainted the House, That the Petitioners had made their Claim before the Trustees, according to the Prayer of their Petition, in pursuance of the Act of the last Parliament.

The Petition of *William Lord Bishop of Kildare* being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Lord Bishop of *Kildare*, upon his Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *John Finglass*, Doctor in Divinity, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Doctor *Finglass*, upon his Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *John Leigh* Esquire being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *John Leigh*, upon his Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *William Trench* Esquire, in behalf of the Discoverers of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. *Trench*, and other Discoverers of the said forfeited Estates, upon their Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the *Irish Forfeitures*; and the Trustees Reports thereupon: And that the Trustees in Town do then attend.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, notwithstanding the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not be repaid. Raising the Militia.

And

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 17<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;

1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Reginae.

PRAYERS.

**MATTHEW** Bertin, John Martin Conureu, Peter Greissier, Peter Fabrott, Abel Langelier, John Cazalet, John Beaufills, John Bosanquet, Nicolas Marcett, Francis Faure, John Wm. Nichoff, Peter Backs, took the Oaths appointed, in order to their Naturalization.

Unwhole-  
some Bran-  
dies.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent the Making of unwholesome and unmerchantable Brandies from Corn; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of French Brandies; was committed; be made upon Tuesday Morning next.

Suffolk Place  
Improve-  
ment.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the better Improvement of *Suffolk Place*, in the Borough of *Southwark*, in the County of *Surrey*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Vernon, Mr. Yates, Sir Joseph Tredenham, Mr. Rowney, Mr. Bertie, Mr. Tilney, Mr. Lampton, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Tredenham, the Earl of Dysert, Mr. Harley, Sir John Williams, Sir Alex. Rigby, Mr. Foley, Mr. Blagrove, Mr. Renda, Mr. Moor, Mr. Swift, Mr. Wilde, Sir Hen. Dutton Colt, Mr. Brewer, Sir Walter Yong, Sir Robert Clayton, Mr. Johnson; and all that serve for the Counties of *Surry* and *Sussex*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Earl of  
Abingdon's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting certain Lands and Tenements of *Mountague* Earl of *Abingdon*, in Trustees, to be sold; and purchasing other Lands, of equal Value; and limiting the Lands to be purchased to the same Uses as the Lands to be sold are limited; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Rowney, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Renda, Mr. Blagrove, Mr. Bertie, Sir Joseph Tredenham, Mr. Tredenham, Mr. Dormer, Mr. Bulkly, Mr. Parker, Sir Walter Young, Mr. Gape, Mr. Jefferyes, Mr. Coke, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Cartwright, Sir John Leveson Gower, Mr. Brewer, Sir Christopher Hales, Sir Robert Jenkinson, Sir Richard Cocks, Sir Godfrey Copley, Mr. Stonehouse, Mr. Jennings, Sir Tho. Hales, Mr. Dolben, Mr. Herbert; and all that serve for the Counties of *Oxford*, *Berks*, and *Wilts*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Jews Pro-  
testant Chil-  
dren.

A Bill for obliging the Jews to maintain and provide for their Protestant Children was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir Will. Ashurst, Sir Robert Clayton, Mr. Bromley, the Lord Coningsby, Sir Hen. Dutt, Mr. Renda, Sir Tho. Littleton, Mr. Conyers, the Earl of Dysert, Mr. Bridges, the Earl of Ranelagh, Mr. Moor, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Cartwright, Mr. Gulston, Sir Walter Young, Sir Rowland Gwynn, Mr. Lee, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Coke, Sir William Scawen, Mr. Pelham, Sir Richard Cocks, Sir Sam. Barnardiston, Mr. Heathcott, Mr. Barker, Sir Will. St. Quintin, Mr. Masters, Sir Fran. Massam, Sir Hen. Lyddall, Mr. Stockdale, Sir John Bolles, Mr. Manley, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Burton, Mr. Andrews, Mr. Yates, Mr. Harley, Sir Cha. Hedges, Mr. King, Sir Roger Mostyn: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Ditto.

A Petition of several Jews, Merchants in *London*, on behalf of themselves and others of the *Jewish* Nation resident here in *England*, was presented to the House, and

read; setting forth, That, in a Bill depending in the House against *Jacob Mendez de Breta*, a Jew Merchant, inhabiting in *London*, are several Clauses that relate to the Petitioners; which, they conceive, are very prejudicial to them; and against which, they humbly conceive, they have several just Objections: And praying, They may be heard, by their Counsel, against the said Clauses, and so much of the Bill as concerns them, and does not concern the said *Jacob Mendez de Breta* in particular.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee: And that the Petitioners be heard, by the Counsel, thereupon, if they shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do examine concerning any reflecting Words spoken by one Mr. *Decasseres*, in relation to the said Bill; and report the same to the House.

Respecting  
Words  
spoken in  
relation to  
the Bill.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to a Bill, intituled, An Act for confirming a Purchase made by her Majesty, and an Exchange between her Majesty and the Dean and Canons of the King's free Chapel within the Castle of *Windsor*; without any Amendments. Also,

Windsor  
Deanery  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Jeffery Palmer* Esquire to settle a Jointure upon *Elizabeth* his Wife; without Amendments.

Palmer's  
Estate.

And then they withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for continuing the Act made in the Tenth Year of his late Majesty's Reign, for the continuing the Imprisonment of \* *Counter*, and others, for the horrid Conspiracy to assassinate the Person of his late Majesty: And that Mr. Secretary *Vernon* and Mr. *Conyers* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Counter's,  
&c. Impri-  
sonment.

Sir *William Hustler* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to vest several Lands and Tenements, in the County of *York*, in Trustees, to be sold for the raising of a Portion for *Henrietta Tempest*, an Infant, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the said Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the Bill to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Tempest's  
Estate.

The Lord *Fairfax*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours into all Sorts of Stuffs and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same; was committed; to whom several Petitions were referred, with Direction, That they should make a special Report thereupon, before they proceeded upon the Bill; That they had considered the several Petitions to them referred, accordingly; and had directed him to report the Matter, as it appeared to them, to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Damasking  
Stuffs.

1. Upon the Petition of Sir *Thomas Cudden* Knight, and many others concerned in beautifying Stuffs with hot Rolls:

Mr. *Nic. Clark* allegeth, That the Petitioners have used the Trade of Printing, Damasking, Striking, Flowering, of Stuffs and Cloths, for above Forty Years: and that there was a Patent granted the 36 Car. 2 di, for doing the same; and that the Petitioners have worked 3,000 Cloths a Year, after the same manner, but not in Colours.

Mr. *Pocklington* alleged the same as Mr. *Clerk*; and did insist, the Word Embossing was not in the Patent mentioned in the Bill.

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It was allowed by the Parties prosecuting the Bill, That the Word Embossing was not in their Patent; and that their Patent was of a contrary Nature to that of the Petitioners, dated 36<sup>o</sup> Car. 2<sup>di</sup>, by reason the Words of their Patent was for damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours into Leather, all Sorts of Stuffs, Cloths, Velvets, and Hair, on both Sides.

Mr. Hen. Burnaby allegeth, That the Printing and Damasking of Stuffs is no new Invention; and that he hath known it practised for about Twenty-six Years; and that he hath done it himself, but not in Colours.

Mr. Tendall likewise said, That he has known Printing and Damasking to have been an Art used Time out of mind; but did never see any so embossed, and mixed in Colours; and did own to one Mr. Hancock, That the said Invention was new, and ought to be encouraged; but did further object, That the said Art was in too few Hands.

2. And that, upon the Petition of the Woollen-drapers of London and Westminster;

That there did only appear, on the behalf of the Woollen-drapers, one Mr. Molineux: Who allowed the Intention of the Bill to be good; but objected against the Patentees buying and selling Cloths: And praying, they might have a Clause to prevent the same; as likewise a Clause, That no unreasonable Prices might be imposed upon doing the same; and that the same might be done cheap:

That the Parties concerned in the Bill did agree, That whatever Cloths Mr. Molineux, or other Drapers, or any other Persons, should bring unto them, they would do them as cheap, and reasonable, as can be desired; and are willing to admit of any Clause for that Purpose.

3. And that, upon the Petition of Thomas Plomer, and others, Traders in Wool about the City of London, and Westminster;

That there did only appear, on the Petitioner's behalf, one Mr. Smith: Who said, He did not come to oppose the Bill in general; but did allow the Invention to be a good Invention; but said, If the said Invention was to be managed by so small a Number of Persons, it might be very prejudicial to them: That he likewise produced a Piece of flowered Shag, which was done by the Press; which, he alleged, had been used and practised by the Weavers for many Years; which employed many Thousands of People; as likewise many other things of the same Nature: And prayed, That they might have a Saving as to what related to their Trade: And also produced a prior Patent for preparing Crape, and all Sorts of Stuffs and Silks in Flowers, Ramages, and Figures, before they be dyed, which appears after the Dyeing of them by the Dyers.

The Persons concerned in the Bill did agree, that the Weavers might have a Clause for the saving such Right as they have in the Premises.

4. And that, upon the Petition of Robert Parker, and others;

Robert Parker junior said, He was the first Inventor of Embossing; and that his Father and he taught Mr. Watts, One of the Patentees; and produced a wooden Print, or Pattern: And further said, That he and his Father were the Persons that brought the raised Work to Perfection; but said, This was not above Four Years since.

Mr. Walton said, That he made the said Wooden Prints, or Patterns, about Four Years ago, for the said Mr. Parker, senior and junior.

Mr. Mathews, being examined by the Petitioner's Counsel, did declare, He was not interested in the said Patent; but was the first Inventor of the Embossing Trade; and that the said Parker, the Petitioner, was his Servant; but was not capable of doing his Business; for which Reason he turned him out of his Service. He also produced a Waistcoat of flowered Cloth, in Colours; which was the first Works, and was the Occasion of procuring his Patent; which he has long since parted with, and his Interest in; and the said Patent bears Date in or about the 14th of December, in the Seventh Year of his

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late Majesty's . . . . . which was long before the said Damasking Parker could pretend to any thing. Stuffs.

Mr. Watts said, That the said Parker senior used to keep Company with a Brother of his, who worked for the Patentees; and that the said Parker was to give his said Brother 3*l*. to learn him his Art; Thirty Shillings whereof was in Hand paid, and the other Thirty Shillings is still due; and that he himself did use the Art a Twelve-month before ever Parker pretended to it: And further said, That Parker's Wife promised him, That, if he would not contradict her Husband, before the Committee, in what he should say, it should be the better for him.

Mr. Hancock, Clerk of the Cloth to the New East India Company, said, about Three Years ago, a Piece of embossed Cloth, done by the Patentees, was sent to India; which was very well approved of there; and that there has been, since, several Patterns sent for from thence: And further said, That he hath likewise sent Cloth to the said Parker, the Petitioner, to be wrought, who hath spoiled him several Pieces thereof; but whatever Pieces he hath sent to the Patentees hath always been well done, and well approved of; and at about 6*d*. per Yard more than the common Dye.

Mr. Blanch was produced as Evidence for the said Mr. Parker: Who alleged, That he has done something of the same Nature, above 30 Years ago, both at Gloucester, and other Places; but allowed, he could not strike it as the Patentees do; and has left off his Trade for above Seven Years.

5. And that, upon the Petition of the Governor and Company of Merchants trading to the Levant Seas;

The Governor of the Company, being examined to their Petition, said, That the Invention is new, and ought to be encouraged; but all that he does object against, and insist upon, is, That it may not be engrossed in a few Peoples Hands; which will be a Hindrance to the Improvement of the same.

6. And that, upon the Petition of the Leather Guilders;

The Patentees have agreed, That the Word Leather should be struck out of their Bill; and that they should have any Clause whatever, to save their Right.

Ordered, That the said Committee have Leave to proceed upon the said Bill.

A Petition of Charles Paris Gentleman, late of Norfolk, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the finding, in the Votes, an ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Rebecca Windham to sell and dispose of an Estate late Sarah Verdon's, in the County of Norfolk; the Passing of which Bill will inevitably ruin the Petitioner and Family, who have a just Claim to the said Estate: That he, several Terms since, exhibited his Bill of Complaint against the said Sarah Verdon, in the High Court of Chancery, for the same; but she never appeared, hath stood in Contempt of the Court, and is returned, *Non est inventa*: And praying the Consideration of the House in the Premises.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Petition of divers Merchants in and about the City of London, trading to the Kingdom of Naples, and Island of Sicily, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That, by an Act, made in the Reign of their late Majesty's King William and Queen Mary, all Thrown Silk, of the Growth of the said Kingdom and Island, is prohibited to be brought into this Kingdom, but in English Ships, directly from the Kingdom of Naples and Island of Sicily: That they, through the Apprehensions of a War, and Security of their Estates abroad, have made Returns thereof in the said Silk, of the Growth of Naples and Sicily, to the Port of Leghorne in Italy; from whence the same cannot be imported into this Kingdom, by reason of the said Act: And praying the House to give Leave for a Clause to be added to some Bill depending, for permitting

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permitting them to import their said Thrown Silk into this Kingdom, notwithstanding the said Act.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to a Committee: And that they do examine the Matter of Fact; and report the same to the House:

And it is referred to Sir *Thomas Cook*, Mr. *Smith*, Sir *Thomas Hanmer*, Mr. *St. John*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Sir *Char. Bloys*, Mr. *Lee*, Mr. *Far*, Mr. *Clarke*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Gulston*, Mr. *Mountague*, Mr. *Cholmly*, Mr. *Mitford*, Mr. *Curson*, Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, Mr. *Heysham*, Mr. *Morgan*, Sir *Jo. Mor-dant*, Sir *Will. Ashurst*, Mr. *Gould*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Shepherd*, Mr. *Lowndes*, Sir *Tho. Abney*, Mr. *Mansell*, Sir *John Williams*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Robert Clayton*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Sir *Justin. Isham*, Mr. *Goulston*, Mr. *Ashurst*, Mr. *Moor*; and all that are Merchants of the House: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber: And have Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records.

Whitby  
Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill for rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, be read the Third time upon *Monday Morning* next.

Supply Bill;  
Subsidies  
and Land  
Tax.

The House, according to Order, resumed the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, was committed.

And several other of the Amendments, made by the Committee, to the said Bill, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put, agreed unto by the House.

Clause M, for taking away the Fees to the Officers of the Exchequer, being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out "other than, and except, the Fee of one Penny in the Pound:"

And the Question being put, That those Words stand Part of the Clause;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Sir John Holland,	} 79.
	{ Mr. Hopkins:	
Tellers for the Noes,	{ Sir Edmund Bacon,	} 54.
	{ Mr. Vernon:	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Residue of the Amendments, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause for the *East India Company* to furnish the Crown with Saltpetre, with Blanks, as to the Price, being offered to the House;

The same was twice read:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Blank, as to the Price in Time of War, be filled up with "Fifty-one Pounds per Ton;"

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Mr. Poultney,	} 20.
	{ Mr. Foley:	
Tellers for the Noes,	{ Sir Walter Yong,	} 27.
	{ Sir Tho. Cooke:	

So it passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the Blank be filled up with "Fifty-three Pounds per Ton."

And the other Blanks were filled up by the House.

And then the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, for the Rectifying the Misnomers of the Commissioners Names in the former Land Tax Act:

And the same was once read:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Ordered*, That this House will, upon *Monday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

*Ordered*, That all Committees be adjourned.

Committees.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Foynes*, Sir *Tho. Wroth*, Sir *Edmund Bacon*, Mr. *Snell*, Sir *John Philips*, Mr. *Brewer*, Sir *Jerv. Ekes*, Mr. *Blaake*, and Mr. *Renda*, be added to the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting several Messuages and Tenements, in the Counties of *Bedford* and *Middlesex*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for purchasing Lands, or Rents, to be settled to the same Uses; is committed.

Selling cer-  
tain Lands in  
Bedfordshire,  
&c.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fox*, Mr. *Nicholas*, Sir *John Poole*, Mr. *Hele*, and Mr. *Gorge*, be added to the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Edward Mansell Esquire* to raise a further Sum of One thousand Pounds on a Mortgage of the Impropriated Rectory of *Llanriddian*, for Payment of Debts.

Mansell's  
Estate

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati*, 18<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;

1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Reginae.

#### PRAYERS.

MR. *Gorges* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting in Trustees the Estate late of Sir *William Powell* Baronet, deceased, for raising Portions for the younger Children of Sir *John Williams*, and Dame *Mary* his Wife, Daughter of the said Sir *William Powell*; and to enable *William Williams*, their eldest Son, to make a Jointure to such Wife as he shall marry; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations therein, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the said Committee; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Press 6. L. 12. after the Word "*Williams*," insert "and Dame *Mary* his Wife."

L. 13. leave out the Words "his and her Hand and Seal," and, instead thereof, insert "their Hands and Seals, or the Hand and Seal of the Survivor of them."

Press 9. L. 31. leave out the Word "Twelve," and, instead thereof, insert "Six;" and, in the same Line, leave out the Word "Six," and, instead thereof, insert "Twelve."

Mr. *Tredenham* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Edward Mansell Esquire* to raise a further Sum of One thousand Pounds on a Mortgage of the Impropriated Rectory of *Llanriddian*, for Payment of Debts, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations in the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the said Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any

Mansell's  
Estate.

any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Johnson's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting several Lands in the Counties of *Surry* and *Sussex*, the Estate of *Mary Johnson*, Wife of *William Johnson* Gentleman, in Trustees, to be sold for discharging several Mortgages, and other Debts, charged upon the Estate of the said *William Johnson*; and settling his Estate upon his said Wife, and her Children by him, clear of Incumbrances; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Price*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Mr. *Yates*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Vernon*, Sir *Edward Hasle*, Mr. *Gage*, Mr. *Lampton*, Mr. *Bridges*, Sir *Will. Ashurst*, Mr. *Ashurst*, Mr. *Dormer*, Sir *Will. Hustler*, Mr. *Morgan*, Mr. *Vernon*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Sussex* and *Surry*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Balsall  
Hospital.

Mr. *Bromley* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the better Government of the Hospital of *Balsall*, in the County of *Warwick*, founded by the Lady *Catharine Leveson*, was committed, That they had made an Amendment to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz.

Press 6. L. the 4th, after "be," insert "fit to be."

Barnewell's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the enabling *Abraham Barnewell* to make a more ample Settlement of his Estate, for the Benefit of his Family; and to charge Part thereof for raising Portions for his younger Children, in his Life-time; and for Payment of his Debts; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *John Bolles*, the Lord *Coningsby*, Sir *Will. Ashurst*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Masters*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Mr. *Pitt*, Mr. *Bromley*, Sir *Char. Hedges*, Mr. *Austen*, Mr. *Fox*, Sir *Edward Hasle*, Sir *Jacob Banks*, Sir *Fran. Blake*, Mr. *Blaake*, Sir *Roger Mostyn*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Mr. *Portman*, Mr. *Cooper*, Sir *Will. Hustler*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Mr. *Thornhagh*, Mr. *Dodswell*, Mr. *Marks*, Mr. *Beare*, Mr. *Mitford*, Major *Yates*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *Hen. Lydall*, Mr. *Fagg*; and all that serve for *Leicestershire*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Bagnall's  
Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Nicolas Bagnall* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Nicolas Bagnall* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bromley* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Coronation  
of Queen  
Anne.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That her Majesty had been graciously pleased to give Directions, That the Proceedings of this House, with relation to the Solemnity of her Majesty's Coronation, upon *Thursday* next; and the Attendance of this House thereupon; should be in the same manner as at the last Coronation; viz. That her Majesty had appointed a Gallery in the Abbey, and another in *Westminster-hall*; and also a Dinner for them in the Court of Exchequer.

*Ordered*, That the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do take into Custody all and every such Person and Persons, other than Members and Officers of the House, that shall presume to press or come into the Galleries in the Abbey Church at *Westminster*, or *Westminster-hall*, appointed for this House to be in at the Solemnity of her

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Majesty's Coronation, or in the Exchequer Chamber, where they are to dine.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to view the Galleries and Seats prepared for the Members in *Westminster-hall* and *Westminster-abbey*, at her Majesty's Coronation; and view the Passages thither; and consider of the best Way to come to the House, and the Places before mentioned, upon *Thursday* Morning next:

And it is referred to the Lord *Coningsby*, Sir *Rowland Gwyon*, Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, the Earl of *Randolph*, and Sir *Godfrey Copley*.

*Ordered*, That Tickets be prepared, and numbered, and delivered out by Mr. Speaker, but only to such Members as shall appear in Person.

*Ordered*, That the Members do not bring any Servants with them, either to *Westminster-hall*, or the Abbey, or into the Exchequer Chamber.

*Ordered*, That the Members do go to the said respective Places, Two and Two, abreast.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do appoint several Door-keepers at every Passage, such as know the Members of the House.

*Ordered*, That the Galleries in *Westminster-hall* and *Westminster-abbey* be reserved for the Use of the Members of the House, at the Solemnity of her Majesty's Coronation.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk, and Clerk Assistant, of the House, do attend Mr. Speaker in his going to and from *Westminster-hall* and *Westminster-abbey*, at the said Solemnity.

Mr. Secretary *Vernon* acquainted the House, That her Majesty had been pleased to direct him to lay before the House Copies of the several Treaties following; viz.

Treaties with  
Prussia and  
Hesse Cas-  
sell.

A Copy of a Treaty between his Majesty and the States General, and the King of *Prussia*; and a Translation of the same:

A Copy of a Convention with the King of *Prussia*, about Troops to be put into the Service of his Majesty and the States General; and a Translation of the same:

A Copy of separate Articles relating to the King of *Prussia*, about Troops; and a Translation of the same:

A Copy of a Convention with the Landgrave of *Hesse Cassel*, for Nine thousand Men, to be put into the Service of his Majesty and the States; and a Translation of the same:

A Copy of an Article relating to the pretended Prince of *Wales*; and a Translation of the same:

And he delivered the same in at the Table: Where the Titles thereof were read:

And the Translations are as follow;

Translation of the Treaty between his Majesty and the States General, and the King of *Prussia*.

ALTHOUGH there are already particular Alliances between his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, his Majesty the King of *Prussia*, and their High and Mighty Lordships the States General of the *United Provinces*; yet the present and dangerous Conjunction, particularly as to the grand Affair of the Succession to the Monarchy of *Spain*, and the Consequences thereof; and likewise the due Consideration of the Security and mutual Conveniences of their Kingdoms and States, which may depend thereon; together with the publick Good of *Europe* in general, which is so much concerned therein; have given them Occasion to enter into stricter Engagements: For which Purpose, there have been commissioned and authorized, on one Part, by his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, John Earl of *Marlborough*, Baron *Churchill* of *Sandridge*, General of his Foot, and Commander in Chief of his said Majesty's Forces in the *Low Countries*, and his Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary; and by their High and Mighty Lordships the States General, the Sieurs *John Van Essen*, Burgomaster of the Town of *Zutphen*, Curator of the University of *Harderwyk*; *Frederick* Baron de *Rheede*, Lord of *Lier*, *St. Antony*, and *Ter-Lee*, of the Order of the Nobility of the Province of *Holland* and *Westfriseland*; *Antony Heinsius*, Counsellor, Pensionary, Keeper of the

Treaty with  
Prussia.

Great

Prussia.

Great Sea, and Superintendant of the Fiefs of the same Province; *William de Nassau*, Lord of *Odyk*, *Cortgiene*, &c. First Noble, and Representative of the Nobility in the States, and in the Council of *Zeeland*; *Everhard de Weede*, Lord of *Weede*, *Dylvelt*, *Rateles*, &c. Lord Proprietor of the Manor of the Town of *Oudewater*, Dean and Rector of the Imperial Chapter of *St. Mary* at *Utrecht*, Dykgrave of the River *Rhine*, in the Province of *Utrecht*, and President of the States of the same Province; *David Constantin du Tour*, Lord of *Arcines*, *la Pamerede*, *Maleret*; *Arnold Lamker*, Burgomaster of the Town of *Deventer*; and *Ludolf Gockinga*; respectively Deputies in the Assembly of the Lords the States General from the Provinces of *Guelderland*, *Holland*, and *Westfriseland*, *Zeeland*, *Utrecht*, *Frisland*, *Overysse*, and *Groningen*, and *Ommeland*; and, on the other Part, by his Majesty the King of *Prussia*, the Sieurs *Ezechie* Baron of *Spanheim*, Privy Counsellor, and Counsellor of State, and Envoy Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from his said Majesty; and *Wolfgang* Baron of *Schmettau*, Lord of *Koningswalde* and *Echberg*, likewise Privy Counsellor, and Counsellor of State, and Plenipotentiary from his Majesty the King of *Prussia*: And in Pursuance of the full Powers produced to this Effect on one Side, and on the other, it hath been agreed as follows:

1.

That there shall be an entire and perfect Intelligence between these Three Powers, for the Security, Advantage, and mutual Defence, of their Kingdoms, States, and Subjects, against all Sorts of Aggressors; and, above all, on account of this present Convention.

2.

That for this Purpose, they shall, on each Side, employ their utmost Endeavours for the Establishment and Continuance of a good and secure general Peace, and the settling thereupon the particular Security of their Kingdoms, States, and Commerce.

3.

That, to this End, there shall be a strict and sincere Communication, between these Three Powers, of all that may be negotiated in relation thereunto; that so nothing may be treated of, and concluded, but by common Consent, and with the Satisfaction, Security, and Guaranty, of their said Kingdoms and States.

4.

And whereas the above-mentioned Affair of the Succession to the *Spanish* Monarchy, in the Condition to which it is at present reduced, to the great and notable Prejudice of the Rights and Pretensions of his Imperial Majesty to the said Succession, and of the Security and Liberty of *Europe* in general, and, in particular, of the neighbouring Powers, who are the most interested therein, hath given Occasion to a Treaty of Alliance, made and concluded at the *Hague*, the 7th of September last, between his Imperial Majesty, his *Britannick* Majesty, and their High and Mighty Lordships; it is therefore, and in pursuance of the Communication and Requisition, which hath been made on the Part of his said Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and of their High and Mighty Lordships, to his Majesty the King of *Prussia*, that his said Majesty hath been induced to enter into the above-mentioned Alliance; and his *Britannick* Majesty, and their High and Mighty Lordships, do, on their Part, likewise declare, That they admit his *Prussian* Majesty into the said Alliance: Wherefore, separate Acts shall be made by the above-mentioned Powers, with the Insertion of the said Alliance, which shall be exchanged at the same time with the Ratification of the present Treaty.

5.

And seeing that as well his *Britannick* Majesty, and their High and Mighty Lordships, as his Majesty the King of *Prussia*, have great and clear Pretensions to considerable Sums of Money, which are due to them respectively from the Crown of *Spain*, they have agreed mutually to aid and assist one another for obtaining Satisfaction for the said Pretensions, and likewise hereafter to concert the proper and convenient Means for this Purpose: And,

moreover, the particular Guaranty given by his *Britannick* Majesty, and their High and Mighty Lordships, to keep the Fort of *St. Mary* as a Security for one Part of the above-mentioned Pretensions of his Majesty the King of *Prussia*, shall continue to have its full and entire Effect.

6.

That, furthermore, it is promised, on the Part of his said *Britannick* Majesty, and their High and Mighty Lordships, to come to no Conclusion of Peace with *France* and *Spain*, without his abovesaid Majesty's concurring therein as King of *Prussia*, and being owned and treated as King by those Two Crowns.

7.

That, in case these Three Powers jointly, or any One of them, should be attacked by *France* or *Spain*, on account of this present Treaty, or of the above-mentioned Alliance with his Imperial Majesty, they promise and oblige themselves, mutually to assist each other, pursuant to what is agreed by the 11th Article of the above-mentioned Treaty of Alliance with his Imperial Majesty, and also by the former Treaties and Alliances of his *Britannick* Majesty, and their High and Mighty Lordships, with his Majesty the King of *Prussia*; which are renewed and confirmed by the 11th Article of this present Treaty.

8.

That, furthermore, in case, as abovesaid, of a Rupture and War, if Contributions should be raised in the Enemy's Country by the Troops of his Majesty the King of *Prussia*, or of his Territories and Dominions, or by their Assistance; especially if the Territories and Subjects of the said King were obliged to pay Contributions to the Enemy; there shall then be made an equitable Agreement concerning the Reparation of the said Contribution.

9.

That in case, with the Consent of his Imperial Majesty, the Eight thousand Men, which his Majesty the King of *Prussia* has agreed to furnish him, the Conditions mentioned in the \*Article of his Treaty with his said Imperial Majesty, made in the Year 1700, should remain all, or in Part, for the Defence of the Countries of the *Lower Rhine*, or of those between the *Meuse* and the *Moselle*; or for acting offensively against the Enemy; it shall be concerted on each Side where they are to be employed: And, in case his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and their High and Mighty Lordships, should draw the said Troops out of the Countries and Dominions where the Money of the Empire is current, they shall account with his Majesty the King of *Prussia* for the Exchange, or Difference, in respect to the Money: And, in the same case, they shall allow Forage to the said Troops out of the Magazines of the King of *Great Britain*, and the States, when the Country cannot furnish them with any; and, in like manner, Bread, according to what was observed in the last War, Half on this Side the *Meuse*, and the whole on the other Side.

10.

That, upon the Offer made by his Majesty the King of *Prussia*, to furnish his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and their High and Mighty Lordships, immediately, without demanding any Levy-money, a Body of Five thousand Men, of good old Troops, well clothed, and well armed, and the Cavalry provided with good Horses, to be taken into their Service; and the same having been well received, and agreed unto, on their Part; a particular Convention hath been made and concluded for the same between their respective Ministers, having full Power for that Purpose: And, in case a Peace should be settled in the Countries neighbouring to *Prussia*, and that his said Majesty the King of *Prussia* should have nothing to fear on that Side, his said Majesty declares he is ready, and disposed, to furnish a considerable Number of Troops, at least Seven thousand Men, for the Good of... common Cause, and to be employed on such a Foot, as shall be agreed on with his *Britannick* Majesty and their High and Mighty Lordships.

11.

Lastly, the former Treaties shall continue in their full and entire Force; that is to say, that of a perpetual and defensive

defensive Alliance between his Majesty the King of *Great Britain* and his Majesty the King of *Prussia*, made at *Westminster*, the 26th of May 1690; as also those of an Alliance and mutual Assistance between his said Majesty the King of *Prussia* and their High and Mighty Lordships, lately renewed by the Treaty made at *Berlin*, the 31st of August 1700.

12.

The present Treaty shall be ratified, and the Ratifications shall be exchanged on each Side, within the Space of Six Weeks, to be reckoned from the Day of its being signed.

In this manner it was made, and signed by us the Plenipotentiaries above-named; that is to say, by me the Earl of *Marlborough*, at *London*, the 9<sup>th</sup> of January 1701 O. S. 1702 N. S.; by us the Baron of *Spanheim*, and the Baron of *Schmettau*, the First at *London*, the 9<sup>th</sup> of January 1701 O. S. 1702 N. S. and the Second at the *Hague*, the 30th of December 1701; and by us the Deputies of the Lords the States General, at the *Hague*, the 30th of December 1701.

(L. S.) *Marlborough.**E. de Spanheim.**W. B. de Schmettau.*

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(L. S.) *J. van Essen.*(L. S.) *F. B. van Reede.*(L. S.) *A. Heinsius.*(L. S.) *W. de Nassau.*(L. S.) *Du Tour.*(L. S.) *Ar. Lemker.*(L. S.) *S. L. Gockinga.*

Translation of the Convention with the King of *Prussia*, about Troops to be put into the Service of his Majesty and the States General.

HIS Majesty the King of *Prussia* having offered his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and their High and Mighty Lordships the States General, to put into their Service a Body of Five thousand Men, of good and old Troops; and this Offer having been well received; an Agreement hath been made for the same on the following Conditions:

1.

This Body shall consist, according to the List annexed, in Two Regiments of Horse, making, together with the Field and Staff Officers, and the Officers of each Troop, Eight hundred and Seventy-four Men; and in Five Regiments of Foot, each of Twelve Companies, making, together with their Field and Staff Officers, and the Officers of each Company, Four thousand Two hundred and Fifty-five Men; and, in the whole, both Horse and Foot, Five thousand One hundred and Twenty-nine Men.

2.

These Troops shall be well clothed, and well armed; and the Cavalry shall be furnished with good Horses; and they shall be, in all respects, treated and paid on the same Foot as the States treat their own Troops.

3.

The said Troops shall be paid, one Half by his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the other Half by their High and Mighty Lordships. This Payment shall be as speedy, and on the same Foot, with the Troops of His Majesty the King of *Prussia*, which were in the Service of their High and Mighty Lordships during the last War.

4.

This Body shall receive a Month's Pay for Carriage-money, as soon as they shall be actually on their March.

5.

His Majesty the King of *Prussia* shall cause the said Body of Troops to leave their Quarters, and begin their March, Fifteen Days after the signing of this Treaty; and sooner, if it be possible.

6.

The Pay of these Troops shall not commence but from the Day they shall enter upon the Borders of the Domi-

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nions of their High and Mighty Lordships; and they shall then be received by the Commissaries of his *Britannick* Majesty, and of their High and Mighty Lordships: And the said Troops shall take an Oath to the King of *Great Britain*, and to the States. Treaty with Prussia.

7.

As for the Recruits of the said Troops, they shall be upon the same Foot as their High and Mighty Lordships treat their own Troops; and the said Troops shall likewise be left to their Liberty to raise their Recruits where it shall be most convenient for them, as well in the Dominions of His Majesty the King of *Prussia*, as in those of their High and Mighty Lordships.

8.

In time of War, there shall be paid to these Troops, in Money, for Waggon, and other Equipage, what is paid by their High and Mighty Lordships to their own Troops; and the said Troops shall be treated equally, in all respects, according to what is practised towards the Troops of their High and Mighty Lordships.

9.

In case that, after an Accommodation or Peace be made with the Crowns of *France* and *Spain*, his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and their High and Mighty Lordships, should have a mind to send back the said Body of Troops, his Majesty the King of *Prussia* shall have Notice thereof Two Months before they begin their March, in order to their Return.

10.

If his Majesty the King of *Prussia* should happen to be attacked in his own Dominions, far distant from the *Rhine*; and should be obliged, thereupon, to demand back his said Troops; they shall be sent him immediately, and without any Contradiction.

11.

When his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and their High and Mighty Lordships, shall send back the said Body of Troops; in this Case they shall have One Month's Pay for their Return and Carriage-money: But, in case his Majesty the King of *Prussia* recalls them, they shall be paid no more than the Remainder of the Month's Pay wherein they are recalled.

12.

In case of these Troops being sent back, or recalled, his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and their High and Mightinesses, shall neither pay for, nor fill up, the private Soldiers that may then be wanting; and it shall lie upon the Officers of the said Body to answer for the same to his Majesty the King of *Prussia*.

13.

In case, as abovesaid, of the sending back, or recalling, of the said Troops, they shall be paid what shall appear to be then due to them, speedily; and, if possible, before they begin their March, in order to their Return.

14.

The present Convention shall be ratified, and the Ratifications shall be exchanged, on each Side, within the Space of Six Weeks, to be reckoned from the Day of its being signed.

In Witness whereof, we the underwritten Plenipotentiaries of his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, his Majesty the King of *Prussia*, and the Lords the States General, by virtue of our full Powers, have concluded, signed, and sealed with the Seals of our Arms, the present Convention; that is to say, I the Earl of *Marlborough*, on the Part of his *Britannick* Majesty, at *London*, the 9<sup>th</sup> of January 1701 O. S. 1702 N. S.; we the Baron of *Spanheim*, and the Baron of *Schmettau*, on the Part of his Majesty the King of *Prussia*; the First at *London*, the 9<sup>th</sup> of January 1701 O. S. 1702 N. S.; and the Second at the *Hague*, the 30th of December 1701, N. S.; and we the underwritten

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Treaty with  
Prussia.Deputies of the Lords the States General, on their Part,  
at the *Hague*, the 30th of December 1701. N. S.

(L. S.) *Marlborough.* (L. S.) *E. B. de Spanheim.*  
(L. S.) *J. van Essen.* *W. B. de Schmettau.*  
(L. S.)

(L. S.) *F. B. van Reede.*  
(L. S.) *A. Heinsius.*  
(L. S.) *W. de Nassau.*  
(L. S.) *Du Tour.*  
(L. S.) *Ar. Lemker.*  
(L. S.) *S. L. Gockinga.*

Translation of the separate Articles, relating to the Con-  
vention with the King of *Prussia*, about Troops.

## Separate Articles.

1.

WHILE the Body of Troops of his Majesty the King of *Prussia*, concerning which an Agreement hath this Day been made, shall continue in the Service of his *Britannick* Majesty, and their High and Mighty Lordships, his Majesty the King of *Prussia* shall fill up the vacant Places of the Officers, according to what was practised between his Majesty and their High and Mighty Lordships in the last War, which was ended by the Peace of *Ryswick*; but, upon the filling up of every Vacancy, Notice shall be given, by the Minister of the King of *Prussia*, to the Person whom the King of *Great Britain* shall appoint, and the Council of State, of the Name of the Officer to succeed; to the end that the Lists may be kept in good Order: His Majesty the King of *Prussia* shall likewise have all possible Regard to the Recommendation of those Officers, which his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and their High and Mighty Lordships, would have made.

2.

For the Preservation of this Body of Troops, and for the observing good Order and Discipline among them, the same shall be commanded by a Major General, who shall be paid upon the same Foot as their High and Mighty Lordships allow to their own: And, in case his *Prussian* Majesty should give the Command to his Royal Highness the Margrave *Albert* his Brother, it shall be then in Quality of Lieutenant General, and likewise on the same Foot as their High and Mighty Lordships allow to their own.

These separate Articles shall have the same Force and Vigour, as if they were inserted in the principal Convention made this Day.

In Witness whereof, we have, in like manner, signed, and sealed them with the Seals of our Arms. Done at *London*, the 9<sup>th</sup> of January 1701 O. S.; and at the *Hague*, the 30th of December 1701. N. S.

(L. S.) *Marlborough.* (L. S.) *Spanheim.*  
*Schmettau.*  
(L. S.)  
(L. S.) *J. van Essen.*  
(L. S.) *F. B. van Reede.*  
(L. S.) *A. Heinsius.*  
(L. S.) *W. de Nassau.*  
(L. S.) *Du Tour.*  
(L. S.) *Ar. Lemker.*  
(L. S.) *S. L. Gockinga.*

Treaty with  
Hesse  
Cassel.Translation of the Convention with the Landgrave of  
*Hesse Cassel*, for 9,000 Men, to be put into the  
Service of his Majesty and the States.

CONVENTION made between his Majesty the King of *Great Britain* and their High and Mighty Lordships the States General, on one Part; and his most Serene Highness the Landgrave of *Hesse Cassel*, on the other Part; touching a Body of 9,000 Men, which his said Highness has promised to give for the good of the Common Cause.

1.

First, His Highness shall furnish the said King of *Great Britain*, and the said Lords the States General, with Six thousand Men; which shall consist, according to the List which shall be made thereof, in One Regiment of Horse,

of Six Companies; Two Regiments of Dragoons, each of Eight Companies; and Five Regiments of Foot, each of Twelve Companies; each Regiment having its Field and Staff Officers; and making together, in the Whole, the Number of Six thousand Men.

2.

These Six thousand Men shall be good Troops, well exercised, cloathed, and armed; and they shall have good Horses; and shall be provided with all that shall be necessary for them.

3.

The said Six thousand Men shall be paid regularly, according to the abovesaid List; one Half by his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and the other Half by their High and Mighty Lordships; on the same Foot the said States General pay their own Troops, and as soon as the other foreign Troops of other Princes; and they shall not, at any time, be more than Three Months in Arrear.

4.

The Pay of these Troops shall commence Two full Months before the Day they shall enter upon the Borders of the State of their High and Mighty Lordships, or on the Place whither they shall be required to come, whether it be for Action, or otherwise; where they shall be immediately received by the Commissaries of his *Britannick* Majesty, and of their High and Mighty Lordships: And they shall take an Oath of Fidelity to the said King, and to the said States General.

5.

For what relates to the Recruits of the said Six thousand Men, they shall be upon the same Foot as their High and Mighty Lordships treat their own Troops: And, moreover, it shall be left, on their Part, to the Liberty of the said Six thousand Men to raise their Recruits where it shall be most convenient for them, as well in the Territories of his Highness, as in those of their High and Mighty Lordships.

6.

In time of War, these 6,000 Men shall be paid in Money, for Waggon, and other Equipage, what their High and Mighty Lordships pay their own Troops: And, in short, they shall enjoy all the same Advantages in general, that the said Troops of their High and Mighty Lordships do enjoy.

7.

In case that, after an Accommodation, or Peace, be made, his Majesty of *Great Britain*, and their High and Mighty Lordships, should have a mind to send back the said Six thousand Men; his said Highness shall have Notice of it Two Months before they begin their March, in order to their Return.

8.

In case, as abovesaid, that these Troops be sent back, or recalled, his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and their High and Mighty Lordships, shall pay to the said Troops what shall be due to them, as well on account of their Pay, as for Waggon.

9.

It shall be left to the Disposal of his Highness, in case of any great and evident Danger; or, if he shall happen to be attacked in his own Dominions; thereupon to recall the said Troops; and they shall be sent him back immediately, and without any Contradiction.

10.

When his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, and their High and Mighty Lordships, after the War is ended, shall send back the said Six thousand Men; in that Case, they shall have One full Month's Pay for their Return and Carriage-money: But, in case his Highness recalls them before the Ratification of the Treaty of Peace, then they shall be paid no more than the Remainder of the Month's Pay wherein they are recalled.

11.

In case of the sending back, or Recall, of the said Six thousand Men, neither the said King, nor the said Lords the States General, shall pay for, or fill up, the private  
Soldiers



Soldiers which may then be wanting; but it shall lie upon the Officers to answer for the same to his Highness the Landgrave.

12.

His Highness shall further add Three thousand Men to the said Six thousand Men, to serve together in One Body, which he shall maintain wholly at his own Charge; and they shall perform the same Service, during the Campaign, as the First Six thousand Men; it being nevertheless to be understood, that Ammunition Bread, and Forage, shall be furnished the said Three thousand Men, during the Campaign, on the same Terms with the other Troops of the States.

13.

His said Highness shall be allowed, after the Campaign is over, to quarter these Three thousand Men in his own Country during the Winter, provided they do rejoin the other Six thousand Men in the Spring.

14.

In case his said Highness be attacked in his own Country, as abovesaid, and that he thinks fit to recall the said Six thousand Men, he may likewise recall the said Three thousand.

15.

The said King, and the said Lords the States General, shall pay, for what is above-mentioned to his Highness, One hundred thousand Crowns, or Two hundred and fifty thousand Livres, Money of *Holland*, yearly, during the Four First Years of the War, to commence with this present Year; and, after that time, as long as the War shall last, or that the said Troops shall continue in their Service, Half of the said Sum; that is to say, One hundred and twenty-five thousand Livres, yearly, payable every Year by way of Anticipation.

16.

And, towards the Support of the Charges which his Highness will be obliged to be at, at present, there shall be advanced to his said Highness, as soon as the Ratification shall be exchanged, Four hundred thousand Livres, to be discounted on the Two First Years.

17.

The said King, and the said Lords, the States General, shall procure the Requisitorial Letters which shall be necessary for the March of the said Troops.

18.

This Convention shall be ratified, and the Ratifications thereof exchanged, here at the *Hague*, in Four Weeks; or sooner, if it be possible.

In Witness whereof we the underwritten Ambassador Extraordinary, Deputies, and Counsellors Plenipotentiaries, of his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, the Lords the States General, and the Landgrave of *Hesse*, have concluded, signed, and sealed with our Coats of Arms the present Convention; that is to say, I the Earl of *Marlborough*, at *London*, the 13th of February 1704; and we the Deputies of the Lords the States General, and the Counsellors Plenipotentiaries of his Highness the Landgrave, at the *Hague*, the 7th of February in the year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, New Stile.

(L. S.) *Marlborough*.(L. S.) *J. Van Essen*. (L. S.) *J. R. Von Dalwig*.(L. S.) *F. B. de Reede*.(L. S.) *J. S. Klaute*.(L. S.) *A. Heinsius*.(L. S.) *Johan. Becker*.(L. S.) *E. de Weede*.(L. S.) *Du Tour*.(L. S.) *H. J. Roelinck*.(L. S.) *S. L. Gockinga*.

Translation of the Article relating to the pretended Prince of *Wales*.

Article relating to the Pretender.

WHEREAS, since the Treaty of Alliance between his Sacred Imperial Majesty, his Sacred Royal Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, lately deceased, and the High and Mighty Lords the States General of the *United Provinces*, was made, and signed at the *Hague* the 7th Day

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of September in the Year 1701, the most Christian King has so far taken upon him as to own and declare the pretended Prince of *Wales* King of *England*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*; and has thereby offered a very great Injury and Indignity to the said late King, to the Queen of *Great Britain*, and to the whole *British* Nation:

It is therefore agreed and concluded between the said Confederates, his Sacred Imperial Majesty, her Sacred Royal Majesty the Queen of *Great Britain*, and the High and Mighty Lords the States General of the *United Provinces*, by this present Article, which shall have the same Force, Virtue, and Vigour, as if it had been originally inserted in the aforesaid Treaty of Alliance; That no Peace shall be concluded with *France*, until Reparation be made to her Sacred Majesty the Queen of *Great Britain*, for the said signal Injury and Indignity.

All Kings and Princes, who have already entered, or shall hereafter enter, into the Alliance above-mentioned, shall be invited into this present Alliance.

This Article shall be ratified within the Space of One Month; or sooner, if it can be.

In Witness whereof, Six Instruments are made of this Article, in the same manner as were made of the Treaty of Alliance above-mentioned; Two of which are signed and sealed by the underwritten Plenipotentiaries of his Sacred Imperial Majesty, the one at *London*, and the other at the *Hague*; Two others by the Plenipotentiary of her Sacred Royal Majesty the Queen of *Great Britain*; and the remaining Two by the Deputies of the Lords the States General. At the *Hague*, the 12th Day of April 1702.

(L. S.) *Petrus Comes a Goessen*.(L. S.) *Johannes Wenceslaus Comes Wratislau*.

Ordered, That the said Copies do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Bill for the Relief of *John Ellis* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time. Ellis' Relief.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. Solicitor General, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Catharine Harris*, alias *Kife*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received. Harris' Relief.

Ordered, That the ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Colonel *Henry Lutterell*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, be read the Third time upon *Monday* Morning next. Lutterell's Relief.

Mr. *Tredenham*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for making Provision for the Family of *John Trant*, eldest Son and Heir of the late Sir *Patrick Trant*, deceased, upon his paying a certain Sum, out of the Estate, to the Publick: And the same was received. J. Trant's Relief.

Mr. *Fox*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of Sir *Stephen Fox*, by allowing him further time to make and enter his Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*: And the same was received. Fox's Relief.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, which were, the last Parliament, transmitted into *Ireland*, the Examination whereof were referred to the Trustees there; and the Trustees Reports thereupon.

And the Trustees in Town attending;

They were called in;

And the Petition of *Edmund Stafford* and *Samuel Dopping* Esquires, in behalf of themselves, and others, Purchasers of Inheritance of Part of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, being read; and the Report of the Trustees thereupon;

The said Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Petitioners, Purchasers of Inheritance of the forfeited Estates, upon the said Petition;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Poultney, } 112.  
                                  { Mr. Ogle :

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Williams, } 74.  
                                  { Mr. Warrington :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the said Relief be, That the said Petitioners be admitted Purchasers of the said Lands, at Thirteen Years Purchase : And that Sir Rowland Gwyn, and the Lord Coningsby, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in ;

The Petition of Christopher O Bryen Clerk, in behalf of his Mother Catharine O Bryen Widow, and several Children, being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the Widow and Children of Manus O Bryan, deceased, according to the Prayer of the said Petition : And that Mr. Ogle do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in ;

The Petition of Colonel Robert Wolseley and Captain Richard Wolseley, Executors to Brigadier Wolseley, deceased, being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Executors of the said Brigadier Wolseley, upon the said Petition ;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in ;

The Petition of William Spencer, of Kilcolman, in the County of Cork, in the Kingdom of Ireland, being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said William Spencer, according to the Prayer of the said Petition : And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in ;

The Petition of Joseph Mitchell being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. Mitchell, according to the Prayer of his Petition : And that Mr. Yates do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Coronation  
of Queen  
Anne.

Sir Rowland Gwyn reported, from the Committee appointed to view the Galleries and Seats in Westminster Hall and Westminster Abbey, and the Passages thither, in order to attend the Solemnity of her Majesty's Coronation, and the best Way to come to the House, on Thursday next, the Matter, as it appeared to them ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same was read ; and is as followeth ; viz.

That, the Committee having been to view the Scaffolds in Westminster Hall, and the Abbey, as also the Tables for the Members in the Exchequer Court, and the Passages through which the Members are to come to Westminster Hall, and from thence to the Abbey ;

They find the Scaffolds in the Abbey made very convenient to receive the Members ; and that there is Room enough for the whole House, and the Tables in the Court of Exchequer large enough to entertain near Four hundred Members :

But the Seats appointed for the House in Westminster

Hall are made very narrow and inconvenient, and will not receive above Two hundred and Fifty Persons ; because, at each End of the Hall, a Part of the Seats are separated for other Company ; whereby the Members must be obliged to go through a long, narrow, dark Passage, to their Seats.

The Committee are of Opinion, That the best Way to come to the House upon Thursday next, will be, for the Members to come by Water to Sir John Cotton's Stairs ; and so, through his House, up to the House of Commons ; whence they may go through the Hall to their Seats ; and thence through the Exchequer Court, by a Back Passage, through St. Margaret's Lane, into St. Margaret's Church ; and thence, through the North Isle of the Abbey, to their Seats there ; and they are to return the same Way to Westminster Hall : All which Passages will be railed in.

The Committee have also viewed the Scaffolds, and believe they are well built ; and the Surveyor General does assure them, that the same are strong and safe.

The Committee do humbly conceive, That all those Seats on the Right-hand, coming into Westminster Hall, ought to be set apart for the Use of the House only.

And also he acquainted the House, That there are Scaffolds built upon the Roof of the Exchequer, where the Members are to dine, to the endangering the Roof thereof.

Ordered, That the Surveyor of her Majesty's Works do take care, that the Seats for the Members in Westminster Hall be enlarged, and made more easy for the Accommodation of the Members : And that the Partitions in the Gallery be removed.

Ordered, That the Surveyor of her Majesty's Works do likewise take care, that there be no Scaffolds over the Exchequer Chamber, and Place where the Members are to dine.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Richard Holford and Mr. Pitt :

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to a Bill, intituled, An Act Union with Scotland. for enabling her Majesty to appoint Commissioners to treat for an Union between the Kingdoms of England and Scotland, without any Amendments. Also,

The Lords have agreed to a Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Hannah Macdonnell, with relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland, without any Amendments. Also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Captain Thomas Bellew, with relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland, without any Amendments. Also,

And then the Messengers withdrew.

The House proceeded in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the Irish forfeited Estates. Irish Forfeitures.

And the Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of Thomas Plunket, in behalf of himself, and Catharine his Wife, being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. Plunket, and his Wife, according to the Prayer of their Petition : And that Mr. King and Mr. Manley do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of Edward Corker Esquire being read ; and the Trustees Report thereupon ;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. Corker, according to the Prayer of his Petition ;

It passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That this House will, upon this Day Seven-night, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions

Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, and the Reports of the Trustees thereupon: And that the Trustees in Town do then attend.

Suffolk Place Improvement.

Ordered, That Sir Charles Bloys, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Morley, Mr. Brewer, Mr. Wollaston, Sir John Williams, Sir Will. Drake, Mr. Rowney, Mr. St. Loe, Mr. Champneyes, Mr. Manley, Mr. Goulston, Mr. Calthorp, Colonel Mordant, Mr. Snell, Mr. Nicholson, be added to the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the better Improvement of *Suffolk-Place*, in the Borough of *Southwark*, in the County of *Surrey*, is committed.

And then the House adjourned till Monday Morning, Nine a Clock.

Lunæ, 20° die Aprilis;

1° Annæ Regiæ.

#### PRAYERS.

Damasking Stuffs.

ORDERED, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Encouragement of an Invention of damasking, striking, and fixing, Colours into all Sorts of Stuff and Cloth; and raising and embossing Flowers of various Colours on the same; was committed; That they have Power to receive a Clause, That, in case of seizing of Wool to be exported, the Matter may be tried in an adjacent County.

Exporting Wool.

A Petition of several Clothiers of divers Counties of *England*, met at *Salisbury* Fair, in behalf of themselves, and the rest of the Clothiers of *England*, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, . . . . they, being apprehensive of the great Decay of their Trade, which is fallen, and will hereafter fall, on all the Traders in Wool in the Kingdom, by reason of the vast Quantities sent into foreign Parts; and, if not prevented, will utterly ruin the Trade thereof, and cause many Thousands, who live thereby, to starve: That the Petitioners found Advantage by several Officers sent into the Country, under the Commissioners of Wool, who prevented the Exportation of a great deal of their Wool: They have withdrawn themselves, having no Allowance for such their Service. And now having no Persons that will undertake the same, do pray, That there may be Persons sent into all the maritime Towns of this Kingdom, as well as in *Kent* and *Sussex*, to hinder the Exportation of Wool.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Cooke's Endowment of Worcester College.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling Sir Thomas Cooke's Charity of Ten thousand Pounds, for the Erecting and Endowing of *Worcester* College in *Oxford*, was read the First Time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Earl of Exeter's Estate.

Mr. Dormer reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Sale of certain Manors and Lands of John late Earl of *Exeter*, for Payment of the Debts, Funeral, and Legacies, of the said Earl, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations therein contained, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the said Committee; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Exeter Deanery Estate.

Sir William Drake reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An

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Act to enable the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of *St. Peter*, in *Exeter*, and their Farmers and Tenants, to make Leases of, and in, the Manor of *Culmstock*, in the County of *Devon*, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations contained in the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the said Committee; and that the Committee had made One Amendment to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Gery and Mr. Rogers:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the more effectual Settlement of the Estate of John Stone, of *Baldwyn Brightwell*, in the County of *Oxford*, Esquire, in his Family and Name; with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House. Also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *Edward Singleton* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

The Earl of *Dysert* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for erecting Hospitals and Work-houses, within the Town of *Sudbury*, in the County of *Suffolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor thereof, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for making good the Deficiencies; and preserving the publick Credit; being read;

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause in relation to the old Debt standing out to the Navy.

Then the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the said Report be made upon Friday Morning next.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*; was committed; be made To-morrow Sevensnight.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Thomas Hodges* Esquire was referred, be made To-morrow Sevensnight.

Resolved, That this House will, this Day Sevensnight, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying a Duty upon buying, selling, or bargaining for, Shares in any Joint Stocks of Corporations.

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Resolved,

Salt  
Duties.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on *Friday* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

Whitby  
Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill for rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, be read the Third time on *Friday* Morning next.

Lutterell's  
Relief.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Colonel *Henry Lutterell*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, and other ingrossed Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, be read the Third time on *Saturday* Morning next.

Coronation of  
Queen Anne.

*Resolved*, That this House will go to their Places in *Westminster-hall*, to the Solemnity of her Majesty's Coronation, as they used to be called over, by Eight a Clock in the Morning.

*Ordered*, That no Member do presume to go into the Galleries in *Westminster-hall*, or *Westminster-abbey*, before the Speaker, and the House, do go thither.

Committees.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That all Committees be adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Shackerly*, } 65.  
                                  { Mr. *Williams* : }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Hustler*, } 58.  
                                  { Mr. *Molyneux* : }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House adjourned till *Thursday* Morning, Seven a Clock.

*Jovis*, 23° die Aprilis;

1° Annæ Reginæ.

PRAYERS.

Coronation  
of Queen  
Anne.

THE House being met;

The Names of the Counties were called over, that the Members of each County might sit together, to the end they might go in the better Order, according to the Directions of the House, to the Solemnity of her Majesty's Coronation: And the Members present did seat themselves accordingly.

And then the House, that they might attend the Solemnity of her Majesty's Coronation, adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Ditto.

THE Proceedings of the House upon that Occasion was as follows; viz.

The Serjeant's Messengers, and Doorkeepers, were placed, some at the Door of the Gallery in *Westminster-hall*, who were intrusted, by Mr. Speaker, with the Key of that Gallery, with Orders that none but Members should be let into the same; One at the furthest Door of the Exchequer Chamber, towards *St. Margaret's-lane*; One at the Door into *St. Margaret's Church*; and another at the North Door of *Westminster-abbey*: And, the better to keep off the Crowd, Rails were put up, and several Soldiers were placed, along the said Passages.

In the Speaker's and Members proceeding from the House to the Gallery in *Westminster-hall*;

Some of the Serjeant's Messengers went first;

Then the Under Clerks;

Mr. Speaker's Secretary;

The Clerk of the House; and,

The Chaplain;

The Serjeant carrying the Mace along the Hall, as usual, before Mr. Speaker;

Mr. Speaker alone;

And the Members, Two by Two, according to the Counties, as in the Return Book;

The Clerk Assistant calling over the Counties, in order thereunto; and afterwards following in the Rear to the Gallery in *Westminster-hall*.

Mr. Speaker sat at the Upper-end of the Gallery, on the lowest Row, and the Members upon the several Seats; and below them the Clerk, Serjeant, Chaplain, Clerk Assistant, and the other Clerks: And, after the Procession was over from the Hall, Mr. Speaker, attended by the aforesaid Officers walking before, went, by the aforesaid Way, to their Gallery in *Westminster-abbey*, and staid there till the whole Solemnity of the Coronation was over, and the Queen was passed by, in the Abbey, in her Return to *Westminster-hall*: And then Mr. Speaker, and the House, again returned to their Gallery in *Westminster-hall*, and staid there till the Procession was over, and while the Queen was at Dinner; and then went to their Dinner provided for them in the Exchequer Chamber.

*Veneris*, 24° die Aprilis;

1° Annæ Reginæ.

PRAYERS.

*RESOLVED*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, notwithstanding the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid. Raising the Militia.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the better Government of the Hospital of *Balsall*, in the County of *Warwick*, founded by the Lady *Catharine Leveson*, was read the Third time. Balsall Hospital.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *John Mordaunt* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendment, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of *William Matthews* Gentleman, and *Catharine* his Wife, in Trustees, to be sold for the Purposes therein mentioned. Matthews Estate.

And the same being twice read, and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz.

10 Pr. L. 10. after "and," add "demand."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Snell* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendment.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Lands of *Henry Pawlet*, a Lunatick, in order to make suitable Provision for him, his next Heir, and near Relations, be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next. Pawlet's Estate.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent the making of unwholesome and unmerchable Brandies from Corn; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of *French* Brandies; was committed; be made upon *Monday* Morning next. Unwholesome Brandies.

*Resolved*, That this House will, immediately after the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for making good the Deficiencies; and preserving the publick Credit; was committed; resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers. Supply Bill; Deficiencies and publick Credit.

An ingrossed Bill for the rebuilding, and keeping in good Repair, . . . . . of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, Whitby Harbour.



in the North Riding of the County of *York*, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, to exempt the Town of *Yarmouth* from the Duties granted by the Bill:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir Hen. Scymour, } 36.  
Mr. Gorges:

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir William Strickland, } 70.  
Sir Will. Hustler:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Clause was brought up; and read thrice; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Then several Amendments were proposed to be made; viz.

Press 2. L. 14. to insert "*per Chaldron*:" And, Press \* L. \* to leave out "*perverted*," and insert "*diverted*," instead thereof:

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Then a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill do pass;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Nicholas, } 95.  
Mr. Mansell:

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir John Holland, } 78.  
Mr. Williams:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Title be, An Act for the rebuilding and repairing the Piers of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the County of *York*.

Ordered, That Sir *John Bolles* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Supply Bill;  
Deficiencies  
and publick  
Credit.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for making good the Deficiencies; and preserving the publick Credit; was committed; the Amendments, made by the said Committee, to the said Bill; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, touching the Arrears to the Officers:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks: And the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause amended:

And then the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, That the Commissioners should make out Certificates, whereupon Debentures might be made forth, to *Christopher de Schmettau*, for the Sum of One thousand and Two Pounds Eighteen Shillings Two-pence Three Farthings, due for the Pay of his Troop:

And the same was twice read; and amended:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be made Part of the Bill;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, relating to the Cloathing:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, That \* \* \* \*

And the same was once read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, That \* \* \* \*

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And the same was once read; and by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers. Privateers.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole . . . . . upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties. Salt Duties.

Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned. Committees.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Sabbati, 25° die Aprilis;

1° Annæ Regiæ.

PRAYERS.

AN ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Colonel *Henry Lutterell's* Ireland, was, according to Order, read the Third time. Relief.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for such as shall enjoy Estates, to be Protestants:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, to acquit the Trustees of the Rents:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

And an Amendment being proposed to be made to the Bill;

Press 4. L. \* to insert "and to continue to be a Protestant after the taking;"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of Colonel *Henry Lutterell*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That Sir *Jacob Banks* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other inland Provisions, to the City of *London*, is committed, be made upon Tuesday Morning next. Masters of Hoys carrying Provisions.

Ordered, That the Residue of the ingrossed and other Bills relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, be read after the Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers. Irish Forfeitures.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the King's Bench and Fleet. King's Bench and Fleet Prisons.

Ordered, That the Warden of the Fleet, and Marshal of the King's Bench, do attend the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers. Privateers.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Scobell* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.



Mr. *Scobell* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments to it; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

Ordered, That the said Report be made upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Wolseley's  
Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of Captain *Wolseley*, and other Protestant Lessees of the private Estate in *Ireland*, by making Provision for paying back all the Monies by them paid for Fines, and Expences they have been at in Improvements, was read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time, in a full House.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures; and the Reports thereupon: And that the Trustees in Town do then attend.

Earl of  
Abingdon's  
Estate.

Ordered, That the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting certain Lands and Tenements of *Mountague* Earl of *Abingdon* in Trustees, to be sold; and the purchasing other Lands, of equal Value; and limiting the Lands to be purchased to the same Uses as the Lands to be sold are limited; was committed; have Leave to sit upon *Monday* Morning.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees be adjourned.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 27<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis;*

1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Reginae.

#### PRAYERS.

Sudbury  
Workhouses.

AN ingrossed Bill for erecting Hospitals and Workhouses within the Town of *Sudbury*, in the County of *Suffolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor thereof, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for erecting Hospitals and Workhouses within the Town of *Sudbury*, in the County of *Suffolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor thereof.

Ordered, That the Earl of *Dysert* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Protestant  
Purchasers  
of Irish  
Forfeitures.

Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of the Protestant Purchasers of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; they paying, for the same, the respective Purchasers therein mentioned: And the same was received.

O'Brien's  
Relief.

Mr. *Ogle*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Catharine O Bryen* Widow, and her Children, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received.

Mitchell's  
Relief.

Mr. *Yates* according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Joseph Mitchell* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received.

Earl of  
Exeter's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill for the Sale of certain Manors and Lands of *John* late Earl of *Exeter*, for Payment of the Debts, Funeral, and Legacies, of the said Earl, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Sale of certain Manors and Lands of *John* late Earl of *Exeter*, for Payment of the Debts, and Performance of the Will, of the said Earl.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bertie* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto:

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *William Spencer* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received.

Mr. *King*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Francis Plunket* Gentleman, and *Catharine* his Wife, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures: And the same was received.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Lands of *Henry Pawlett*, a Lunatick, in order to make suitable Provision for him, his next Heir, and next Relations, was, according to Order, read the Second time.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to the Lord *Cheine*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Gwynn*, Mr. *Dolben*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Moor*, Mr. *Poulteney*, Mr. *Crow*, Mr. *Ogle*, Mr. *Foley*, Mr. *Boyle*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Newton*, Mr. *Heysham*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Clayton*, Mr. *St. Loë*, Colonel *King*, Mr. *Philips*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Fagg*, Mr. *Harvey*, Mr. *Renda*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Manley*, Mr. *Morley*, Mr. *Bridges*; and all that serve for the Counties of *Southampton* and *Wilts*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the continuing the Imprisonment of \* *Counter*, and others, for the horrid Conspiracy to assassinate the Person of his late Sacred Majesty King *William* the Third: And the same was received; and read the First time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Morgan*, Sir *Theo. Davall*, Mr. *Champneys*, Sir *Tho. Cooke*, Mr. *Morley*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Heysham*, Sir *Jacob Banks*, Mr. *Gold*, Mr. *Shepherd*, Sir *Fran. Child*, Mr. *Rigby*, Mr. *Fagg*, Mr. *Ashurst*, the Lord *Cheine*, Sir *Will. Drake*, be added to the Committee; to whom the Bill for obliging the Jews to maintain, and provide for, their Protestant Children, is committed.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt was committed.

And the Amendments, made, by the Committee, to the said Bill, were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some other Amendments, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, for Debtors for above Twenty Pounds to wear Marks D D: And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill for granting to her Majesty divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, for the Purposes therein mentioned, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That Persons in Offices in *Ireland* may take the Oaths, and make and subscribe the Declaration, in any of the Courts at *Westminster*:

And the same was read twice, with Blanks: And the Blanks were filled up:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, touching ascertaining the Manner of Taxing in *Monmouthshire*: And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Then several Amendments being proposed to be made in the Bill; viz.

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Pr. 19. L. 35. to leave out "and Four Shillings."  
Pr. 67. L. 35. to leave out "and to his late Majesty  
"King William."

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House: And the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for granting an Aid to her Majesty by divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Conyers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

**Duty on Sale of Joint Stock Shares.** *Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying a Duty upon buying, selling, or bargaining for, Shares in any Joint Stocks of Corporations.

**Salt Duties.** *Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

**Unwholesome Brandies.** *Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent the Making of unwholesome and unmerchable Brandies from Corn; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of *French* Brandies; was committed; be made upon *Thursday* Morning next.

**Committees.** A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That all Committees be adjourned.

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Rowny*, } 27.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Gulston*: }  
                                  { Mr. *Williams*, }  
                                  { Mr. *Curson*: } 43.

So it passed in the Negative.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 28° die Aprilis;*

1° Annæ Regiæ.

#### PRAYERS.

**Bradshaw's Relief.**

A BILL for the Relief of *Cæsar Bradshaw* Esquire, by giving him longer Time to prosecute his Claim entered before the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bills, relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, be read the Third time after the other Bills, relating to the said Forfeitures, are read the First time.

**Fox's Relief.**

A Bill for the Relief of Sir *Stephen Fox*, by allowing him further Time to make and enter his Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

**Leave of Absence.**

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fagg* have Leave to go into the Country, upon extraordinary Occasions.

**Harris' Relief.**

A Bill for the Relief of *Catharine Harris*, alias *Kife*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

**J. Trant's Relief.**

A Bill for making Provision for the Family of *John Trant*, eldest Son and Heir of the late Sir *Patrick Trant*, deceased, upon his paying a certain Sum out of the Estate to the Publick, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

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A Bill for the Relief of the Protestant Purchasers of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; they paying, for the same, the respective Purchases therein mentioned; was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That the Trustees in Town do attend this House upon the Second Reading of the said Bill.

A Bill for the Relief of *Catharine O Bryan* Widow, O Bryan's and her Children, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the Relief of *Joseph Mitchell* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the Relief of *William Spencer* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the Relief of *Thomas Plunkett* Gentleman, and *Catharine* his Wife, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. *Moor*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Francis Spring*, and other Protestant Tenants of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, in respect to their real Improvements: And the same was received.

An ingrossed Bill for making Provision for the Protestant Children of the Earl of *Clanriccard*, and the Lord *Bophin*, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That the Money, by the Bill to be paid, may be paid in Debentures: And the same was read the First time.

And the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered, as a Rider, to save the Right as against Colonel *Fielding*; but it was not insisted upon to be brought up.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, to acquit the Trustees of the Rents:

And the same was once read:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be read a Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

And a Debate arising in the House, touching Provision to be made to acquit the Trustees of the Rents and Profits of the Estate;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow Morning.

*Ordered*, That a Clause be prepared, and brought in, to prevent the Trustees from refunding the Rents and Profits of the said Estate.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief *Francis* Earl of *Carlingford*, and others, against several Outlawries, in the County of *Tipperary* in *Ireland*, was read the Third time:

And a Clause being offered, as a Rider, obliging the setting the Estate to Protestant Tenants;

And the same being thrice read;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned until *Thursday* Morning next.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Sir *William Ashurst* Knight, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of Sir *William Ashurst* Knight, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwynn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom

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whom the Petition of *Thomas Hodges* Esquire was referred, be made upon *Thursday* Morning next.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

The House proceeded, according to Order, in the further Consideration of the Petitions relating to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, which were referred to the Trustees there; and the Trustees Reports thereupon:

And the Trustees in Town attending;

They were called in:

And the Petition of *Sir Thomas Denville* Baronet being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of *Sir Thomas Denville*, according to the Prayer of his Petition: And that *Mr. Bridges* and *Mr. Hayes* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *Ignatius Gould* Merchant being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Mr. Gould*, upon his Petition;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Mr. Blaake,* } 45.  
                                  { *Mr. Crocker:* }

Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. Farrer,* } 18.  
                                  { *Mr. Comyns:* }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Relief be for the Sum of One thousand Pounds.

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Mr. Bridges,* } 24.  
                                  { *Mr. Foley:* }

Tellers for the Noes, { *Sir John Williams,* } 27.  
                                  { *The Lord Cavendish:* }

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the said Relief be for the Sum of Two thousand Pounds out of the said Estate.

Ordered, That *Mr. Burnaby* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, the First Business, proceed further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures; and the Trustees Reports thereupon: And that the Trustees in Town do then attend.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, proceed to the reading the Residue of the Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures; which have not yet been read; and, after, to the Second Reading of such of the Bills, as shall be ready for the same; and afterwards, to receiving the Report of such of the Bills as have been committed; and then to the reading the Residue of the ingrossed Bills.

Masters of  
Hoyes carry-  
ing Pro-  
visions.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of certain Masters of Hoyes, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other inland Provisions, to the City of *London*, was committed, be made upon *Friday* Morning next.

Estates given  
to supersti-  
tious Uses.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to *Popish* superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*; was committed; be made upon *Friday* Morning next.

Raising the  
Militia.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One

thousand Seven hundred and Two, notwithstanding the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid.

Ordered, That all Committees be revived.

Committees.

Ordered, That *Mr. Drake*, *Sir Tho. Powys*, *Mr. Etterick*, *Mr. Fownds*, *Sir John Poole*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for obliging the Jews to maintain, and provide for, their Protestant Children, is committed.

Jews Pro-  
testant Chil-  
dren.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 29° die Aprilis;*

1° Annæ Regiæ.

PRAYERS.

*JACOB Paulsen, Barthold Guliker, Robert de Platuier, Paul Westhaff Paulson, William Mathysen, and Fred. Bodisco*, took the Oaths appointed, in order to their Naturalization.

A Bill for naturalizing *Daniel Van Ryssen* was read a Second time.

Ryssen's  
Nat.

Resolved, That the Bill be committed to *Sir Joseph Tredenham*, *Sir Sam. Barnardiston*, *Mr. Wyld*, *Mr. Scobell*, *Sir Fran. Windham*, *Mr. Lamplough*, *Sir Hen. Dutton Colt*, *Sir Tho. Davall*, *Sir Fran. Masham*, *Sir John Molesworth*, *Mr. Gorges*, *Mr. Vernon*, *Mr. Barrell*, *Mr. Snell*, *Mr. Tredenham*, *Mr. Colchester*, *Sir Rich. Cocks*, *Mr. Williams*, *Mr. Stonchouse*, *Mr. Lorain*, *Sir Robert Cotton*, *Sir Alexander Rigby*, *Mr. Heathcott*, *Admiral Hobson*, *Mr. Moor*, *Sir John Bolles*, *Mr. Manley*, *Sir Jervas Elwes*, *Mr. Bridges*, the Lord *Cheine*, *Mr. Morley*, *Mr. Carter*, *Sir Will. Drake*, *Major Yates*, *Mr. Pendarvis*, *Mr. Shackerley*, *Mr. Bertie*, the Lord *Fairfax*, *Mr. Owen*, *Colonel Drake*, *Sir Na. Napier*, *Sir William Ashurst*, *Mr. Clarke*, *Colonel Wharton*: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber:

*Mr. Vernon* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the better Improvement of *Suffolk Place* in the Borough of *Southwark*, in the County of *Surrey*, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the said Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Suffolk Place  
Improvement.

*Sir Richard Onslow* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting several Lands in the Counties of *Surrey* and *Sussex*, the Estate of *Mary Johnson*, Wife of *William Johnson* Gentleman, in Trustees, to be sold for discharging several Mortgages and other Debts, charged upon the Estate of the said *William Johnson*; and settling his Estate upon his said Wife, and her Children by him, clear of Incumbrances; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations of the said Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table,

Johnson's  
Estate.

*Mr. Carter* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the enabling *Abraham Barnwell* to make a more ample Settlement of his Estate, for the Benefit of his Family; and to charge Part thereof for raising Portions for his younger Children, in his Life-time; and for Payment of his Debts;

Barnwell's  
Estate.





So it passed in the Negative.

A Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, That the Act should not extend to discharge the Arrears of the Duty of Prisceage, or any Sums of Money for the same, payable by virtue of the Act, made in the Fourth and Fifth Year of the Reign of their late Majesties, for the Encouragement of Privateers;

The same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, for Lists of the Ship's Company, after any Prize taken to be sent up:

And the same was read, and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Gery and Mr. Rogers:

Mr. Speaker,

Balsall  
Hospital.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the better Government of the Hospital of *Balsall*, in the County of *Warwick*, founded by the Lady *Catharine Leveson*. Also,

Bagnall's  
Relief.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *Nicolas Bagnall* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without Amendments. Also,

Oath of  
Abjuration.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to declare the Alterations in the Oath appointed to be taken by the Act, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; and for declaring the Association to be determined; with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Salt Duties.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

Lord Bophin's  
Provision.

Ordered, That the adjourned Debate touching Provision to be made to quit the Trustees for the Sale of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, of the Rents and Profits of the Estate of the Lord *Bophin*, be further adjourned till *Saturday* Morning next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Jovis, 30<sup>a</sup> die Aprilis;

1<sup>a</sup> Annæ Reginae.

#### PRAYERS.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

THE House, according to Order, proceeded further in the Consideration of the Petitions relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures; which were referred to the Trustees in *Ireland*; and the Trustees Reports thereupon.

And the Trustees in Town attending;

They were called in:

And the Petition of *Henry Westenra* Esquire, in behalf of himself, and several others, Purchasers, under the Earl of *Athlone*, of the forfeited Estates of the late Earl of *Lymerick*, granted to the said Earl of *Athlone* by their late Majesties, and since confirmed by Act of Parliament in *Ireland*, being read;

The Trustees acquainted the House, That the same related to the Earl of *Limerick's* Estate; who hath a Bill depending touching the same.

The Petition of *James Eustace*, of *Yeomanstowne*, Esquire,

being read; and the Petition of *Jasper Roth* Merchant, of *London*, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of *James Eustace*, as to the Moiety of the Estate, which *Thomas Eustace*, the forfeiting Person, was not in Possession of, so as to bar the Entail: And that Mr. *Brewer* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of Dame *Alice Mullady*, Relict of Sir *Antony Mullady*, on behalf of herself, and her infant Sons by him, being read; and the Report of the Trustees thereupon:

And also the Petition of Sir *William Russell Langhorn* Baronet being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto;

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Dame *Alice Mullady*, upon her Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Sir *William Russell*, upon his Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *Thomas Lee* Esquire, and others, the Executors of Sir *John Hely* Knight, deceased, late Lord Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas in *Ireland*, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Executors.

Ordered, That the said Relief be their Share of a Third Part of the Money allowed to Purchasers: And that Mr. *Price* and Mr. *Gorges* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Sir *Lacon William Child*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to a Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Colonel *Henry Lutterell*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments. Also,

The Lords have agreed to a Bill, intituled, An Act for the rebuilding and repairing the Pier of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the County of *York*, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *Narcissus* Lord Archbishop of *Dublin* being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Lord Archbishop of *Dublin*, according to the Prayer of the said Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in:

And the Petition of *John Francis de Carcassonet* Esquire, and *Elizabeth* his Wife, late Wife of *Remigius Birmingham* Esquire . . . ;

The Trustees acquainted the House, That the Petitioners had not made any Proof before the Trustees thereupon.

And then they withdrew.

And the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Francis de Carcassonet*, and his Wife;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *Samuel Dopping* Esquire being read; The



The Trustees acquainted the House, That he had entered his Claim, and was relieved.

The Petition of *John Knapp* Gentleman being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *John Knapp*;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *Walter Brough* Esquire being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon:

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Mr. Brough*;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of Dame *Eleanor Wandesford*, of the City of *York*, Widow, and Executrix, of *Christopher Wandesford* Baronet, deceased, being read; and the Trustees Report thereupon;

The Trustees acquainted the House, That the same related to the Estate of *Sir William Ellis*; touching which the House had ordered a Bill to be brought in for the Relief of *John Ellis* Esquire.

Then the House proceeded to consider of the Petitions relating to the said forfeited Estates, which were presented to the House this Session, and ordered to lie upon the Table, to be taken into Consideration.

And the Petition of the Archbishops and Bishops of the Kingdom of *Ireland* being read;

The Trustees were heard thereupon.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill, upon the Prayer of the said Petition.

Ordered, That the said Bill be prepared, and brought in, upon the Debate of the House: And that *Mr. Harcourt* and *Mr. Gwynn* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of Major *Christopher Wray* being read;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Major *Christopher Wray*, upon his Petition;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *John Mapas* Esquire being read;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Mr. Mapas*, according to the Prayer of his Petition: And that *Sir Henry Dutton Colt* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of *John Hill* Esquire, and *Eller* his Wife, being read;

The Trustees were heard thereupon:

And they read a Letter to the House, as followeth; viz.

*Chichester-house, March 24th 1701.*

Gentlemen,

WE think ourselves obliged, in Justice, to recommend to you the unfortunate Case of *Mr. Abel Butler* Alderman of the City of *Kilkenny*; and do most heartily and unanimously make it our Request to you, if you think it proper, to lay it before the Parliament: It is the only Case of this or any other kind that we have thought fit to represent to you, though frequently importuned to that Purpose: And, indeed, we think it the most worthy of Compassion of any that has come to our Knowledge. It is as follows: He has laid out his whole Substance, since the

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Year 1695, in lending Money, in paying a Fine for a Lease, in purchasing in Incumbrances, and in making Improvements on Part of the Estate of *John Grace* of *Courts-towne*, in the County of *Kilkenny*: This he was induced to, by reason the said *Grace* was adjudged within Articles, was in the quiet Possession of his Estate, and recovered it from the King, by Petition of Right. Since the War, the said *Grace* claimed his whole Estate, before us, by virtue of a Settlement. We shall not trouble you with the several Points of Law, nor the other suspected Circumstances, upon hearing his Claim; but only acquaint you with One bare Matter of Fact: Three Witnesses, which the Claimant produced to prove his Deed of Settlement, all swore positively, That *Donogh* Earl of *Clancarthy*, who was Trustee named in the said . . . . . was present at the Execution of it in *Dublin*, at the Time it bears Date, and gave several Directions about it. They being often severally asked, Whether they were certain as to this Part of the Evidence, they all persevered in it: Counter to which, it was proved to us by the Lady *Clanrickard*, the said Earl's Sister, who appeared an unwilling Evidence; by his Nephew, one *Mr. Donogh Carthy*; and by an old Man, who was his Coachman at, and long before, his Death; That the said Earl was in *London* at the Time the said Deed bears Date, and near Twelve Months before. This was so evident, that even his own Counsel had nothing to object against it; and therefore the Trustees dismissed his Claim: Consequently, *Mr. Butler* is deprived of the Benefit of his Mortgage, his Purchase, his Lease, and his Improvements, they being all since the Forfeiture; by which Means he will be a Sufferer very near to the Value of 3,000 *l.* if not relieved by the Parliament. And now you know his Case, we hope you need no other Inducement to do him all the Service you can; which is the only Hopes he hath in repairing the Loss, which he could not avoid bringing upon him; and of maintaining himself, his Wife, and several small Children. We are,

Gentlemen,

Your humble Servants,

*Cyrill Wich,* *Tho. Raulins,*  
*H. Shere,* *Wm. Fellowes,*  
*J. Baggs,* *H. Longford,*  
*John Trenchard,* *T. Harrison.*  
*John Isham,*

To the Honourable *Francis Annesly* and *James Hooper* Esquires, Two of the Trustees for the Irish Forfeitures, in *London*.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Mr. Hill* and his Wife, upon their Petition, by enlarging the Time for putting in their Claim before the Trustees, touching a Judgment obtained against *Robert Grace* Esquire: And that *Mr. Eyre* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in;

And the Petition of Dame *Anne Stapleton*, Relict and Executrix of *Sir William Stapleton* Baronet, deceased, being read;

The Trustees acquainted the House, That the said Lady *Stapleton* hath had a Decree made upon her Claim before the Trustees.

The Petition of *Goddart* Earl of *Athlone* being read;

The Trustees were heard thereunto.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Earl, upon his Petition;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Sir William Hustler,* } 26.  
  { *Sir William Strickland:* }

Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. Jemmens,* } 26.  
  { *Mr. Gorges:* }

And the Voices being equal, *Mr. Speaker* declared with the Noes.

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So it passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of *Richard Rooth* Esquire being read ;

The Trustees acquainted the House, That the same related to the Estate of the Lord *Kingston* ; for whose Relief a Bill was depending.

The Petition of *Alice* Countess Dowager of *Drogheda* being read ;

The Trustees were heard thereupon.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Countess of *Drogheda* ;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of Dame *Anne Stapleton* being read ;

The Trustees acquainted the House, That the same related to the Estate of the Lord *Kingston* ; for whose Relief a Bill was depending.

The Petition of *Laurence Fitzgerald*, of *Glonings*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Gentleman, being read ;

The Trustees were heard thereupon.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Mr. *Fitzgerald*, according to the Prayer of the Petition : And that Mr. *Aylmer* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

The Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of *John Lord Haversham* being read ;

The Trustees were heard thereupon.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said Lord *Haversham*, according to the Prayer of his Petition : And that Mr. *Ogle* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Then the House proceeded to take into Consideration the Petitions, which had been offered, but not as yet presented, to the House, and read.

The Trustees being called in ;

And the Petition of *Peter Goodwyn* Gentleman being presented to the House, and read ;

The Trustees acquainted the House, That the same related to the Petition of the Executors of Sir *John Hely* ; upon which a Bill was ordered to be brought in.

A Petition of *Oliver Eustace*, Son of *Francis Eustace*, late of the County of *Kildare*, in *Ireland*, Gentleman, being presented to the House ; and read ;

The Trustees were heard thereupon.

And then they withdrew.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Oliver Eustace*, upon his Petition ;

It passed in the Negative.

The Trustees being called in ;

A Petition of *Charles Trant* being presented to the House ; and read ;

The Trustees were heard thereupon.

And then they withdrew.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of the said *Charles Trant*, according to the Prayer of his Petition : And that Mr. *Bridges* do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Ordered, That the Gentlemen, who are to prepare the Bills for the Relief of *John Mapas* Esquire, and *Charles Trant*, do make them One Bill, if they think fit.

Ordered, That the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures do attend this House upon *Saturday* Morning next, when the Bills, relating to the forfeited Estates, are to be read, and reported.

Duty on Sale  
of Joint  
Stock Shares.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying a Duty upon buying, selling, or bargaining for, Shares in any Joint Stocks of Corporations.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to

whom the Bill to prevent the Making of unmer chantable Brandies from Corn ; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of *French* Brandies ; was committed ; be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Thomas Hodges* Esquire was referred, be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*.

Ordered, That the Warden of the *Fleet*, and Marshal of the *King's Bench*, do then attend the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Veneris, 1° die Maii ;

1° Annæ Reginæ.

PRAYERS.

SIR *John Bolles*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for Exempting and Discharging of *Arthur French*, and *Sarah* his Wife, from accounting to the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, for the personal Estate of *Iriell Farrell* Esquire, deceased : And the same was received.

Mr. *Harcourt* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting certain Lands and Tenements of *Mountague Earl of Abingdon* in Trustees, to be sold ; and purchasing other Lands, of equal Value ; and limiting the Lands to be purchased to the same Uses as the Lands to be sold are limited ; was committed ; That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true ; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee ; and that the Committee had made some Amendments to the Bill ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were once read throughout ; and then a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House ; and are as follow ; viz.

Pr. 14. L. 32. leave out "recited," and insert "raised."

Pr. 17. L. 24. after "*Wells*," insert "and *East Wells*."

Mr. *Barnaby*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Ignatius Gold* Merchant, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland* : And the same was received.

Mr. *Hoblyn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the continuing the present Sheriffs in *England* and *Wales* until the First Day of *Hilary* Term next, unless her Majesty shall think fit to determine them sooner : And the same was received.

Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for Importing into *England* Thrown Silk, of the Growth of *Sicily*, from the Port of *Leghorn* in *Italy* : And the same was received.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting several Messuages and Tenements, in the Counties of *Bedford* and *Middlesex*, in Trustees, to be sold ; and for purchasing Lands or Rents, to be settled to the same Uses ; was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir *Joseph Tredenham* do carry the Bill

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to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendment.

Exeter  
Deanery  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of *St. Peter* in *Exeter*, and their Farmers and Tenants, to make Leases of, and in, the Manor of *Culmstock*, in the County of *Devon*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendment, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir *William Drake* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Damasking  
Stuffs.

A Petition of divers Clothiers in the County of *Gloucester* was presented to the House and read; setting forth, That the Petitioners perceiving, by the Votes, that there is a Bill brought into the House to confirm and prolong the Time of a Patent, granted to a few Persons, for Flowering and Embossing of Cloth: That the Art of Flowering Cloth was not first found out by any Person concerned in the said Patent, but by some of the Petitioners in the County of *Gloucester*: That the Embossing of Cloth, and Raising of Flowers, is, in some respects, rather a Prejudice, than an Improvement, of the said Art; viz. In hanging of Rooms, the Raising of Flowers will soon collect Dust, and thereby eclipse the Beauty of the Flower: And praying, no such Bill may pass into a Law, to the Prejudice of the First Inventors of the said Art, or any other, who may, in any respect, improve the Woollen Manufactures.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee, to whom the said Bill was committed.

By Subscriptions and free Gifts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£.	s.	d.
Out of the Seamen's Wages	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,788	0	8
From his late Majesty	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	56,235	16	3
Million Lottery Tickets, which was Part of a Fine of 19,500 <i>l.</i> laid on the <i>French Smugglers</i> by Parliament	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,000	0	0
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,808	0	0
Total											74,831	16	11
And that the Payments in that time amounted to											74,400	0	11
So there remains to Balance											431	16	0
											£.	s.	d.
Remains by the said Balance, in Cash	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	431	16	0
In Lottery Tickets, the Remainder of the Smugglers Fine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,292	0	0
In Malt Tickets, by an unknown Hand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	0	0
Due from his late Majesty	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,000	0	0
											19,723	16	0
That there is due, by Estimate, for Work performed from July to Christmas One thousand Seven hundred and One											7,000	0	0
For Materials of Stone and Timber, brought upon the Place											5,000	0	0
											12,000	0	0

That the Committee, looking into the Contracts made between the Committee for the Fabrick of the said Hospital, and their Master Workmen, do find, That, in the Years 1696, and 1697, they contracted with Mr. *Tho. Hughes*, for new Brick-work, well and workman-like performed, with good Bond, handsome Joints, and carefully wrought, being reduced to Brick and Half, 1 *l.* 7 *s.* per Rod; and to be allowed 15 *l.* and 30 *l.* for Scaffolding:

That, by another Contract made with the said Mr. *Hughes*, 14th March 1698, he was then allowed 30 *s.* and 32 *s.* per Rod, and 30 *l.* for Scaffolding, for the same sort of Work:

But that, upon one Mr. *Richard Billinghamst*'s being brought into Part of the Bricklayers Work, as some of the Commissioners said, to beat down *Hughes*' high Prices, they, the 12th of March 1700, contracted with the said *Billinghamst* to do the same Work for 25, 26, and 28 *s.* per Rod, and he to find Scaffolding; as Mr. *Hughes* was to have 30 *s.* and 32 *s.* per Rod, with an Allowance of 15 and 30 *l.* for Scaffolding:

Upon which, it appeared, that Mr. *Hughes*, rather than leave the Work, by another Contract, made the 2d of

Sir *Richard Onslow* reported, from the Committee, Greenwich Hospital. Matter relating to *Greenwich* Hospital, the Matter which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

That the Committee did receive divers Proposals for Raising of Revenues for the Building, and Supporting, of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*: But, this Season drawing near to a Conclusion, there is little Probability that any of the said Proposals should take effect this Session: The Committee, therefore, did not think fit to order the same to be laid before the House; but that they should be left in the Hands of the Clerk of this House.

That the Committee, according to the First Instruction given them by this House, have inquired into what Provision was in the last War, and is now, made for the sick and wounded Seamen at the respective Ports, when they were, or shall be, brought sick or wounded on shore, as will appear by the Accounts thereof laid before the Committee by the late and present Commissioners of the Sick and Wounded, marked A, and B, and C.

That the Committee, according to the Second Instruction given them by this House, have proceeded to examine what Revenues and Money have been given to the Use of *Greenwich* Hospital; and how the same have been applied:

And do find, That the Receipts of Monies by Mr. *Evelyn*, Treasurer of the said Hospital, from Christmas One thousand Six hundred Ninety-five, to the Sixth of March One thousand Seven hundred and One, to be as follows; viz.

£.	s.	d.
4,788	0	8
56,235	16	3
4,000	0	0
9,808	0	0
74,831	16	11
74,400	0	11
431	16	0
£.	s.	d.
431	16	0
10,292	0	0
1,000	0	0
8,000	0	0
19,723	16	0
7,000	0	0
5,000	0	0
12,000	0	0

April 1701, which was the Day when Mr. *Billinghamst*'s Contract was signed, did undertake to do the same Work, that he had before received 30 and 32 *s.* per Rod for, at Mr. *Billinghamst*'s Prices; viz. 25, 26, and 28 *s.* per Rod, without any Allowance for Scaffolding:

Whereas the Committee was informed, That, in private Contracts, it was customary to allow 20 *s.* and 22 *s.* per Rod for Brick-work; and, the thicker the Work, the cheaper it may be performed.

That the Reason of the Differences in the said Contracts being inquired into by the Committee, it was answered by some of the Contractors, That, at the First Beginning of the Work, there was publick Notice given, in 1696, for Undertakers to come in, and once in 1698; which Publication was put into the *Gazette*, for Masons; and that they beat them down as low in their Prices as they could: The reason of Mr. *Hughes*'s high Prices in 1698 was upon building the Hall, which was a very high Building, without any Flooring, as is in the other Building every 12 Foot:

That, by an Observation made by Mr. *James*, Deputy Surveyor of the Works (whose Business it is to make all Admeasurements

Admeasurements there) upon Mr. *Hughes*' Profits in his Work, and which was said before the Committee; it appeared, that Mr. *Hughes*, in Foundation-work, receives for 1 Rod 36 Foot - - - - - 1 13 10  
His Charge for Workmanship in Labourers 0 13 4

So that his clear Gain is - - - - - 1 0 6  
Out of - - - - - 1 13 10

The which, Mr. *Hughes* said, was an uncertain Estimation; and that, if his Profit was considerable in the Foundation, it lessened proportionably in the Raising of the Building; and that he was obliged, by his Contract, to fill the Joints with Putty, and beat all the Mortar.

It appeared that the said Mr. *Hughes*, for his Part of the Bricklayers Work, has received - 3,542 2 8  
There has likewise been paid to the

Mason, from 1695 to 1701 - - - 30,740 12 9½  
To the Carpenter in the same time 8,524 2 9½  
To the Plumber in the same time - 2,552 0 3½  
To the Joiner - - - - - 2,603 19 5½  
To the Pitcher, for Tiles - - - 100 0 0

Mr. *James*, Deputy Surveyor, being examined, said, That he has had the Surveying of the Brick-work for Three Years, and never observed any Putty to be put into the Foundation-work, and not much into other Works: That the Mortar was sometimes beaten; but not according to the Contracts, which he never saw till lately.

Mr. *Hughes* the Bricklayer, being examined as to the Value of Putty, and beating Mortar, said, That to fill up the Works with Putty, according to the Contract, is worth 5 s. per Rod; and 3 s. 4 d. for beating the Mortar.

The Master and Wardens of the Plumbers Company, attending, laid before the Committee their Proposal, made in 1696, to the Commissioners for the said Hospital, for giving all the Workmanship, and Solder for the Lead-work, for the Hospital; as also their Report upon a View of Mr. *Hales*'s sheathed Lead, made use of there, as appears by the Papers marked D, E.

Mr. *Roberts* said, That, in 1696, he was employed as Plumber in the Hospital, and was to have made a Contract; but the milled Lead-man was brought in by some other Interest, and he was turned off, and his Pipes turned upon his Hands:

That the Work might have been done 1 s. in the Hundred Weight cheaper than it is; and is not performed according to the Contract; but is ill done; for in the Gutter, instead of turning the Water out, they were so laid, that the Water was turned inwards; and the Seams lie so open, that the Rain will ruin the Roofs; and must be taken up in Seven Years time:

That the Building was but about Five or Six Foot high when Mr. *Hales*' Contract for the milled Lead was made; and the Lead was not made use of till the Year following.

That the Committee, according to the Order of this House, did go down, and inspect the Works of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*:

And do find the whole Pile of Building to be well performed, as to the Masons, Bricklayers, Carpenters, and Joiners, Work; but there appeared some Defects in the Lead over the Pavilion: But all the other Roofs are very well covered with milled Lead; the Flats containing Ten Pound to a Foot; the Slopes, Eight Pound to a Foot; and the Gutter, Ten Pound to a Foot.

Ordered, That the said Report do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Ordered, That Sir *Jeffery Jefferyes*, and Mr. *Jefferyes*, be added to the Committee, to whom the Bill for obliging the Jews to maintain and provide for their Protestant Children is committed.

Mr. *Manley* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for enabling Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Houses, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of *St. Mary*

*tin's in the Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for Payment of the Debts of *John Hynde*, late Goldsmith, of *London*, was committed, That they had considered the several Petitions to them referred, and heard the Petitioners: And that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Consideration of the said Report be adjourned until *Tuesday Morning* next.

Ordered, That the ingrossed Bill, for making good the Deficiencies; and preserving the publick Credit; be read the Third time upon *Monday Morning* next. Supply Bill; Deficiencies and publick Credit.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other inland Provisions, to the City of *London*, was committed, be made upon *Monday Morning* next. Masters of Hoys carrying Provisions.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for better Discovery of the Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*; was committed; be made upon *Tuesday Morning* next. Estates given to superstitious Uses.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties. Salt Duties.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the said Bill; and that they had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Monday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 2<sup>o</sup> die Maii;*

1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Regiæ.

#### PRAYERS.

Mr. *Eyres*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *John Hill* Esquire, and his Wife, by enlarging the Time for putting in their Claim before the Trustees, touching a Judgment obtained against *Robert Grace* Esquire: And the same was received. Hill's Relief.

Mr. *Gorges*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Thomas Lee* Esquire, and others, Executors of Sir *John Hely*, and *Peter Goodwyn* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*: And the same was received. Hely's Relief.

Mr. *Bruges*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Reversal of the Outlawry of *John Mupus* Esquire: And the same was received. Mapas' Relief.

Resolved, That this House do now proceed upon the adjourned Debate, in relation to the Bill for making Provision for the Protestant Children of the Earl of *Clanriccard* and the Lord *Bophin*. Earl Clanriccard's, &c. Provision.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate accordingly: And an ingrossed Clause being offered, as a Rider, pursuant to the Directions of the House, for acquitting the Trustees;

The

Jews Protestant Children.

Hynde's Estate.



The same was thrice read ; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass : And that the Title be, An Act for making Provision for the Protestant Children of the Earl of *Clauriccard* and the Lord *Bophin*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bruges* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *John Hoskins* and Sir *Robert Legard* :

Mr. Speaker,

Powell's  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting in Trustees the Estate late of Sir *William Powell* Baronet, deceased, for raising Portions for the younger Children of Sir *John Williams*, and Dame *Mary* his Wife, Daughter of the said Sir *William Powell*; and to enable *William Williams*, their eldest Son, to make a Jointure to such Wife as he shall marry. Also,

Earl of  
Exeter's  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Sale of certain Manors and Lands of *John* late Earl of *Exeter*, for Payment of the Debts, and Performance of the Will, of the said Earl, without any Amendments. Also,

Exeter  
Deanery  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of *St. Peter* in *Exeter*, and their Farmers and Tenants, to make Leases of, and in, the Manor of *Culmstock*, in the County of *Devon*. Also,

Sudbury  
Workhouses.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for erecting Hospitals and Work-houses within the Town of *Sudbury*, in the County of *Suffolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor thereof, with an Amendment : To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then they withdrew.

Earl of  
Carlingford's,  
&c. Relief.

*Resolved*, That the House do now proceed upon the adjourned Debate upon the Clause to the Bill for the Relief of *Francis* Earl of *Carlingford*, and others, against several Outlawries in the County of *Tipperary*, in *Ireland*.

And the House resumed the adjourned Debate accordingly :

And the Clause being withdrawn, by Leave of the House ; another was offered, instead thereof :

Which was twice read, with a Blank therein, which was filled up :

And then the Clause was read the Third time ; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, to acquit the Trustees of the Rents :

And the same was thrice read ; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for Saving of others Rights :

And the same was thrice read ; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Then several Amendments were proposed to be made in the Bill :

P. \* L. \* to insert " and continue a Protestant : "

P. last L. \* to leave out " *Kingston*," and insert " *Cahir* : "

L. \* the same Amendment :

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House ; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass : And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Francis* Earl of *Carlingford*, and others, against several Outlawries in the County of *Tipperary*, in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Coke* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

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Mr. *Aylmer*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *Laurence Fitz Gerald*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland* : And the same was received. Fitz Gerald's Relief.

Mr. *Bruges*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of Sir *Thomas Donville*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland* : And the same was received. Donville's Relief.

Mr. *Bridges*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill to reverse an Outlawry against Mr. *Charles Trant* : And the same was received. C. Trant's Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *Francis Spring*, and other Protestant Tenants of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, in respect to their real Improvements, was read the First time. Spring's Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the Relief of Sir *Redmond Everard*, an Infant, was read the First time. Everard's Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for Exempting and Discharging of *Arthur French*, and *Sarah* his Wife, from accounting to the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, for the personal Estate of *Iriel Farrell* Esquire, deceased, was read the First time. French's Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the Relief of *Ignatius Gould* Merchant, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the First time. Gould's Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for Relief of *John Hill* Esquire, and his Wife, by enlarging the Time for putting in their Claim before the Trustees, touching a Judgment obtained against *Robert Grace* Esquire, was read the First time. Hill's Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. Comptroller acquainted the House, That he was commanded, by her Majesty, to lay before this House a Convention between her Majesty, the Emperor, and the States General, about declaring War against *France* and *Spain*, with a Translation thereof. Convention with the Emperor and Holland, about declaring War.

And he presented the same to the House :

And the said Translation was read ; and is as followeth ; viz.

WHEREAS, in the Third Article of the Alliance between him Imperial Majesty, his *Britannick* Majesty, and the Lords the States General of the *United Provinces* of the *Low Countries*, concluded the Seventh of September in the Year One thousand Seven hundred and One, it was stipulated, That they should employ Two Months to endeavour to obtain, in an amicable Way, a reasonable Satisfaction for his Imperial Majesty, in relation to the *Spanish* Succession ; and for his *Britannick* Majesty, and the said Lords the States General, a particular and sufficient Security for their Kingdoms, Dominions, and Provinces : That these Two Months are long since elapsed, without seeing the least Appearance of an Accommodation : That, on the contrary, the most Christian King continues resolved to keep the whole Monarchy of *Spain* intirely for his Grandson, and to unite it closely with the Monarchy of *France* : That, to this End, these Two Powers join their Arms in *Italy*, and in the *Netherlands* : That the Troops of *France* have since invaded, and seized, all the Country of *Cologne* and *Leige* ; and they fortify themselves there, in like manner as they do in all the *Spanish Low Countries* : That, by these means, they keep the *United Provinces* blocked up : And, moreover, the *French* King threatens to attack them with his numerous Armies, unless the said Lords the States General do what he desires : Now, the said Allies, not judging it convenient to suffer themselves to be deluded any longer, have agreed, pursuant to the Fourth Article of the said Alliance, to join their Forces, and to declare War, by Sea and by Land,

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against



against the most Christian King, and his Grandson: And this Declaration shall be made at the same time, the 4<sup>th</sup> Day of May of the present Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, on the Part of his Imperial Majesty, in all his hereditary Countries; on the Part of her *Britannick* Majesty in all her Kingdoms, Dominions, and Countries; and, on the Part of the said Lords the States General, through the whole Extent of their Territories.

In Witness whereof, Six Copies have been made of this Convention; Two of which are signed by the Plenipotentiaries of his Imperial Majesty, One at *London*, and the other at the *Hague*; Two others by the Plenipotentiary of her Majesty the Queen of *Great Britain*, at *London*; and the remaining Two by the under-written Deputies of the States General, at the *Hague*; And the Plenipotentiaries and Deputies have set their Seals thereunto. Done at the *Hague*, the 18th of April 1702.

(L. S.) *J. Ham.*  
(L. S.) *F. B. de Reede.*  
(L. S.) *A. Heinsius.*  
(L. S.) *W. de Nassau.*  
(L. S.) *De Weede.*  
(L. S.) *W. Haren.*  
(L. S.) *B. Welvelde.*  
(L. S.) *J. de Drews.*

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, to return the Thanks of this House for her Majesty's having been graciously pleased to communicate her Intention of declaring War, in Conjunction with her Allies, against the *French* King, and his Grandson; and to assure her Majesty, That this House will, to the utmost, assist and support her Majesty in carrying on the said War.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to draw up the said Address:

And it is referred to Mr. Comptroller, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. *Smith*, Sir *Tho. Powys*, Sir *Christo. Musgrave*, Mr. Chancellor of the Duchy, Mr. *Gwym*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Colonel *Granville*, Lord *Hartington*, the Earl of *Ranelagh*, Mr. *St. John*, the Lord *Spencer*, Mr. *Harcourt*; or any Three of them; to withdraw into the Speaker's Chamber, to draw up the said Address.

Officers in  
the Army.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, That no Person be an Officer, in *England* or *Ireland*, in her Majesty's new-raised Forces, but such as were born in *England*, *Scotland*, or *Ireland*, or the Dominions thereunto belonging, or of *English* Parents, unless they were before in Half-pay;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Coke, } 91.  
                                  { Mr. Hele: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Hopkins, } 94.  
                                  { Mr. Roberts: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Renewing  
Army Com-  
missions free  
of Charge.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, That she will be graciously pleased to give Directions, that such Commissions, as shall be renewed to the Officers of her Majesty's Army, may be without Fee or Charge.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Address on  
the Declara-  
tion of War.

Mr. Comptroller reported from the Committee appointed to withdraw, and draw up an Address, to be presented to her Majesty, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of *England*, in Parliament assembled, being highly sensible of your Majesty's great and tender Care for the Safety and Welfare of Your People, do, with One Voice, return your Majesty our most humble Thanks for Your gracious Condescension, in communicating to us Your Royal Intentions of declaring War, in Conjunction with Your Majesty's Allies, against the *French* King, and his Grandson: And we do heartily assure your Majesty, That we will, to the utmost, enable Your Majesty to carry on the said War.

The said Address being read a Second time;

*Resolved, Nemine contradicente*, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Address to be presented to her Majesty.

*Resolved*, That the said Address be presented to her Majesty by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That such Members of this House as are of her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, do humbly know her Majesty's Pleasure, when she will be attended by this House.

A Bill for the Relief of *Thomas Lee* Esquire, and others, Executors of Sir *John Hely*, and *Peter Goodwyn* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the First time. *Hely's Relief.*

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the Reversal of the Outlawry of *John Mapas* Esquire, was read the First time. *Mapas' Relief.*

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the Relief of *Laurence Fitzgerald*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the First time. *Fitzgerald's Relief.*

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. *Ogle*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *John Lord Haversham*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*: And the same was received. *Lord Haversham's Relief.*

Mr. *Harcourt*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the making the Provision, out of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, for the building Churches, and augmenting small Vicarages, in *Ireland*, more effectual: And the same was received. *Churches in Ireland.*

A Bill for the Relief of Sir *Thomas Domville*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the First time. *Domville's Relief.*

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Mr. *Brewer*, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Relief of *James Eustace*, of *Yeomans Town*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*: And the same was received. *Eustace's Relief.*

A Bill for the Relief of *Charles Trant*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the First time. *C. Trant's Relief.*

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the Relief of *John Lord Haversham*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the First time. *Lord Haversham's Relief.*

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the making the Provision, out of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, for the building Churches, and augmenting small Vicarages, in *Ireland*, more effectual, was read the First time. *Churches in Ireland.*

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

A Bill for the Relief of *James Eustace*, of *Yeomans Town*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the First time. *Eustace's Relief.*

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

*Ordered*, That the Bills, relating to the *Irish* forfeited Estates, which should have been read a Second time this Day, *Irish Forfeitures.*

Day, be read a Second time upon *Tuesday* Morning next: And, afterwards, that the Reports be received of such Bills as have been committed: And that, afterwards, the ingrossed Bills be read.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ, 4° die Maii;*

1° Annæ Regiæ.

PRAYERS.

Masters of Hoys carrying Provisions.

**M**R. *Brewer*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other inland Provisions, to the City of *London*, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read through-out; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, on behalf of the City of *London*:

And the same was once read, and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Italian Thrown Silk.

A Bill for the importing into *England* Thrown Silk of the Growth of *Sicily*, from the Port of *Leghorn* in *Italy*, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Continuing Sheriffs on Accession of Q. Anne.

A Bill for the continuing the present Sheriffs in *England* and *Wales* until the First Day of *Hilary* Term next, unless her Majesty shall think fit to determine them sooner, was read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Counter's &c. Imprisonment.

A Bill for the continuing the Imprisonment of \* *Counter*, and others, for the horrid Conspiracy to assassinate the Person of his late Sacred Majesty King *William* the Third, was read a Second time:

And an Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out "*Bernard*," and inserting "*Bernardi*," instead thereof:

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be ingrossed.

The Clerk to deliver certain Papers to Commissioners of Accounts.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of this House do deliver to the present Commissioners for taking and stating the publick Accounts of the Kingdom, the Books and Papers which were, in the Year One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven, delivered to him, by Order of the House, by the then Commissioners of Accounts.

Money for repairing Churches, &c.

A Bill for the more easy Recovery of Money for the Repair of Churches and Chapels was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, Sir *Jo. Mordant*, Mr. *Pitfield*, Sir *Sam. Barnardiston*, Mr. *Renda*, Sir *Fran. Blake*, Mr. *Parker*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Hayes*, Mr. *Barrell*, Mr. *Clerke*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Lord *Orrery*, Mr. *Jeffreys*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Sir *H. D. Colt*, Mr. *Dormer*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *St. Loe*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Sir *William Hustler*, Mr. *Conyers*, Sir *Cha. Bloys*, Sir *Fran. Massam*, Mr. *Stonehouse*, Mr. *Pemberton*, Lord *Coningsby*, Mr. *Lowther*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Styles*; and all that serve for *Wales*: And they are to meet at Five a Clock this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber.

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Mr. Comptroller acquainted the House, That her Majesty had been pleased to appoint to be attended by this House this Afternoon at Five a Clock, at the Palace at *St. James's*.

Queen appoints to be attended.

An ingrossed Bill for making good several Deficiencies; and preserving the publick Credit; was read the Third time:

Supply Bill; Deficiencies and Publick Credit.

And an ingrossed Clause being offered, as a Rider, relating to the Transport Service, and Officers;

*Ordered*, That the Clause be brought up.

The Clause was brought up; and read twice, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up by the House:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be read the Third time:

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, } 130.  
Mr. *Morgan*:

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Goulston*, } 66.  
Mr. *Crawley*:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Clause was read the Third time; and agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Then several Amendments were proposed to be made to the Bill; viz.

Press \* L. \* to leave out "One thousand:"

Press \* L. \* to insert "lately:"

And the same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for making good Deficiencies; and for preserving the publick Credit.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Conyers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act Greenland for the enlarging and encouraging the *Greenland* Trade, Trade. without any Amendments: And also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Trustees to Bury's make Sale of Part of the Estate of *Humphry Bury*, for Estate. paying off a Mortgage, and Portion charged thereupon, with several Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties. Salt Duties.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, after the said Committee, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying a Duty upon buying, selling, or bargaining for, Shares in any Joint Stocks of Corporations. Duty on Sale of Joint Stock Shares.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 5° die Maii;*

1° Annæ Regiæ.

PRAYERS.

**O**RDERED, That the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more easy Recovery of Money for the Repair of Churches and Chapels, was committed, have Leave to sit To-morrow Morning. Money for repairing Churches, &c.

A Bill for the Relief of *John Ellis* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time. Ellis' Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the Petition of Dame *Eleanor Wandesford*, formerly presented to the House, be referred to the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

A Bill for the Relief of Captain *Wolseley*, and other Protestant Lessees of the private Estate in *Ireland*, by making Provision for paying back all the Monies by them paid for Fines, and the Expences they have been at in Improvements, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do leave out of the Bill the Clause directing the Improvements to be ascertained by Juries: And that they do provide, that the Monies for the said Improvements be a Charge upon their Estates, in the nature of a Statute Staple.

A Bill for the Relief of *Cesar Bradshaw* Esquire, by giving him longer Time to prosecute his Claim entered before the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

A Bill for the Relief of Sir *Stephen Fox*, by allowing him further Time to make and enter his Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

A Bill for the Relief of *Catharine Harris*, alias *Kife*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

A Bill for making Provision for the Family of *John Trant*, eldest Son and Heir of Sir *Patrick Trant*, deceased, upon his paying a certain Sum out of the Estate to the Publick, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do take care to confirm the Grants or Endowments made, or intended to be made, for the Benefit of the Protestant Churches and Schools at *Portarlington*.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they do leave the Blank in the Bill, for what is to be paid for the Estate, to be filled up by the House.

A Petition of Dame *Anne Stapleton*, Relict and Executrix of Sir *William Stapleton* Baronet, deceased, was presented to the House, and read; relating to the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the said Committee.

A Bill for the Relief of the Protestant Purchasers of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; they paying, for the same, the respective Purchases therein mentioned; was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do allow One-third Part more of the Purchase Money to such of the Purchasers as claim under the Grant of the Earl of *Athlone*.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That the said Third Part be only to such Lands as remain vested in the Trustees, free from any other Claim.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, returning her Majesty the Thanks of this House, for her great Zeal for the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line, expressed in her Majesty's late Order in Council, directing the Princess *Sophia* to be prayed for. Address on Princess Sophia being directed to be prayed for.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That, upon their Address being presented to her Majesty Yesterday, returning her Majesty the Thanks of this House, for communicating to this House her Royal Intentions of declaring War, in Conjunction with her Majesty's Allies, against the *French* King, and his Grandson, her Majesty was pleased to give this gracious Answer; viz.

Answer to Address.

Gentlemen,

I AM extremely pleased with the Assurances of your Resolution to assist and support Me in this War: I make no Doubt but your Unanimity, upon this Occasion, will have a very good Effect, for the Encouragement of our Allies.

An ingrossed Bill for the Encouragement of Privateers was read the Third time. Privateers.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for incorporating Persons to make Acquisitions:

And the same was read thrice; and upon the Question, put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, to prevent Masters of Ships compounding for their Vessels and Goods:

And the same was twice read; and amended by the House:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be read the Third time;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Encouragement of Privateers.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Scobell* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Bill for the Relief of *Catharine O Bryen* Widow, and her Children, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time. O Bryen's Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

A Bill for the Relief of *Joseph Mitchell* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time. Mitchell's Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

A Bill for the Relief of *William Spencer* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time. Spencer's Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

A Bill

Plunkett's  
Relief.

A Bill for the Relief of *Francis Plunkett* Gentleman, and *Catharine* his Wife, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

Barbadoes  
Government.

Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, according to Order, reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Thomas Hodges* Esquire, was referred, the Matter, as it appeared to them; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning, the First Business.

Countess of  
Limerick's  
Relief.

Mr. *Manley* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Maria Eufemia* Countess of *Limerick*, and *Thomas* Earl of *Lymericke*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had considered the Petition of *Arthur Bush*, and others, to them referred; and had made several Amendments to the . . . ; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout, and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with some Amendments to some of them, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That the other Reports of the Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, which should have been made this Day, be made upon *Thursday* Morning next: And afterwards the ingrossed Bills to be read the Third time: And that then the Bills, which were read the First time upon *Saturday* last, be read a Second time.

Estates  
given to  
superstitious  
Uses.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*; was committed; be made upon *Friday* Morning next.

Hynde's  
Estate.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for enabling Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Houses, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of *St Martin's in the Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for the Payment of the Debts of *John Hynde*, late of *London*, Goldsmith, was committed, be taken into Consideration upon *Friday* Morning next.

Unwhole-  
some Bran-  
dies.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent the Making of unwholesome and unmerchantable Brandies from Corn; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of *French* Brandies; was committed; be made To-morrow Morning.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 6<sup>o</sup> die Maii;*

1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Reginæ.

PRAYERS.

Oath of  
Abjuration.

THE House took into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act to declare the Alteration in the Oath appointed to be taken by the Act, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; and for declaring the Association to be determined.

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And the same, being read, are as follow; viz.

Clause A: That the Test and Oaths to be taken pursuant to the Statute 1<sup>o</sup> *Willielmi et Mariæ*; and making and subscribing the Declaration, pursuant to the Statute 25<sup>o</sup> *Car. II.*; may be in the Courts of Common Pleas and Exchequer; and for lengthening the Time for Officers to do the same in.

Clause B: That whereas Dissenters, called *Quakers*, scruple to swear, or take an Oath, in any Case, it enacts, That they shall be exempted from the said Oath; but, instead thereof, that they shall make a solemn Declaration, prescribed, in the Clause, in the same Words as the Oath, leaving out only the Word swear, abjure, Abjuration; and, upon the true Faith of a Christian. So help me God:

And further enacting, That those People shall be subject and liable to the like Pains and Penalties, Forfeitures and Disabilities, for neglecting or refusing to make and subscribe the said Affirmation, as other Persons refusing or neglecting the Oath,

Clause A being thrice read;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause B being read a Second time;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Francis Blake*, } 44.  
                                  { Mr. *Johnson* : }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Cox*, } 53.  
                                  { Mr. *Goreing* : }

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed, to draw up Reasons, to be offered at a Conference with the Lords, upon the Subject Matter of the said Amendments:

And it is referred to Mr. *Harcourt*, Sir *Christo. Musgrave*, Lord *Cheine*, Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *King*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Mr. *Bertie*, Mr. *Carter*, Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, the Earl of *Dysert*, Mr. *Scobell*, Mr. *Heysham*, Mr. *Goreing*, Mr. *Owen*; or any Five of them: And they are to withdraw immediately into the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Thomas St. Leger de Bacolon*, *Joseph de Lamney*, *Alexander de Raquel des Fourneaux*, and others, was committed, be made upon *Friday* Morning next.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendment, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for erecting Hospitals and Workhouses within the Town of *Sudbury*, in the County of *Suffolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor thereof.

And the same, being twice read, was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz.

Pr. 10. L. 14. leave out "final."

*Ordered*, That the Earl of *Dysert* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the more effectual Settlement of the Estate of *John Stone*, of *Baldwyn Brightwell*, in the County of *Oxford*, Esquire, in his Family and Name.

And the same, being twice read, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

3 Pr. L. 18. for "*Charlford*," read "*Chalkford*."

L. 34. for "*Chalford*," read "*Chalkford*."

14 P. 19. L. for "*Loyalties*," read "*Royalties*."

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*Ordered*,



Ordered, That Mr. Bertie do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Trustees to make Sale of Part of the Estate of *Humphry Bury*, for paying off a Mortgage, and a Portion charged thereupon.

And the same, being twice read, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Pr. 4. L. 4. for "and," read "an."

Pr. 5. L. 26. leave out the Second "his."

L. 28. for "Huntshaw," read "Huntsham;" and, after "Esquire," insert "Sam. Rolle, of Heanton, in the said County of Devon, Esquire, and Nicolas Hooper, Serjeant at Law."

38. after "Beer," add "Samuel Rolle, Nicolas Hooper."

Pr. 6. L. 17. after "Beer," add "Samuel Rolle, Nicolas Hooper."

Ordered, That Mr. Bere do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendment, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act to ascertain the Water Measure of Fruit.

And the same, being twice read, was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and is as followeth; viz.

1 Pr. 7. L. instead of the Word "Kings," insert "Queen's."

Ordered, That Colonel Colchester do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for continuing and amending the Act, made in the Ninth Year of his late Majesty's Reigo, intituled, An Act for settling and adjusting the Proportions of fine Silver and Silk; and for the better Making of Gold and Silver Thread; and to prevent the Abuses of the Wire-drawers.

And the same, being twice read, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

3 Press, 10 L. for "King," read "Queen."

14 L. for "his," read "her."

Ordered, That Mr. Carter do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to vest several Lands and Tenements, in the County of York, in Trustees, to be sold for the raising a Portion for *Henrietta Tempest*, an Infant, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir William Hustler do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendment.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Robert Legard and Sir Richard Holford:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to her Majesty, by divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax, without any Amendments: And also, To the Bill, intituled, An Act for making good Deficiencies; and preserving the publick Credit; without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act

for vesting certain Lands and Tenements of *Mountague Earl of Abingdon*, in Trustees, to be sold; and purchasing other Lands, of equal Value; and limiting the Lands to be purchased, to the same Uses as the Lands to be sold are limited; was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Harcourt do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

The Lord Cheine reported from the Committee appointed to withdraw, and draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, That they had drawn up Reasons accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read twice; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

The People called *Quakers*, being incapable of any Office, Employment, or Place of Trust, in respect whereof the Abjuration of Oath is to be taken, cannot be liable to any Forfeitures, upon their Refusal of the Abjuration, if the same should be tendered to them; Wherefore your Lordships Amendment, Clause B, seems unnecessary.

Ordered, That the Lord Cheine do go to the Lords, and desire the said Conference.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable the Trustees of *James Hunt* Esquire, deceased, to sell Timber, for the Payment of his Debts and Legacies, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir Henry Dutton Colt do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Edward Mansell* Esquire, to raise a further Sum of One thousand Pounds on a Mortgage on the Impropriated Rectory of *Llanriddian*, for Payment of Debts, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Mansell do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Robert Legard and Sir Richard Holford:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting certain Lands and Tenements of *Mountague Earl of Abingdon* in Trustees, to be sold; and purchasing other Lands, of equal Value; and limiting the Lands to be purchased to the same Uses as the Lands to be sold are limited.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the enabling *Abraham Barnewell* to make a more ample Settlement of his Estate, for the Benefit of his Family; and to charge Part thereof for raising Portions for his younger Children, in his Life-time; and for Payment of his Debts; was read the Third time.

And another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Title of the Bill, by leaving out "charge," and inserting "sell:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Carter do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.



Lords agree  
to Conference.

The Lord *Cheine* reported, That, he having, according to Order, been at the Lords, to desire a Conference, the Lords do agree to a Conference accordingly; and appoint the same To-morrow at One a Clock, in the Painted Chamber.

Suffolk  
Place Im-  
provement.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the better Improvement of *Suffolk Place*, in the Borough of *Southwarke*, in the County of *Surrey*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Compton* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

Johnson's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting several Lands, in the Counties of *Surry* and *Sussex*, the Estate of *Mary Johnson*, Wife of *William Johnson* Gentleman, in Trustees, to be sold, for discharging several Mortgages, and other Debts, charged upon the Estate of the said *William Johnson*; and settling his Estate upon his said Wife, and her Children by him, clear of Incumbrances; was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Conyers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

Bishop of  
Gloucester's  
Estate.

An ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable the Bishop of *Gloucester*, and his Successors, to make distinct and separate Leases of the Manors, Lands, and Premises, therein mentioned, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cox* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

Pawlet's  
Estate.

The Lord *Cheine* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting the Lands of *Henry Pawlet*, a Lunatick, in order to make suitable Provision for him, his next Heir, and next Relations, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

The Bill was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Lord *Cheine* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

Royal Assent  
to Bills.

A Message from her Majesty, by Sir *David Mitchell*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Queen commands this Honourable House to attend her Majesty, immediately, in the House of Peers.

And Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend her Majesty accordingly.

And, being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That her Majesty had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the several publick and private Bills following; viz.

An Act for granting an Aid to her Majesty, by divers Subsidies, and a Land Tax:

An Act for making good Deficiencies; and preserving the publick Credit:

An Act for enabling her Majesty to appoint Commissioners to treat for an Union between the Kingdoms of *England* and *Scotland*:

An Act to explain and alter the Act, made in the Twenty-second Year of King *Henry* the Eighth, concerning repairing and amending Bridges in the Highways; and for repealing an Act, made in the Twenty-

third Year of Queen *Elizabeth*, for re-edifying *Cardiffe* Bridge, in the County of *Glamorgan*; and also for changing the Day of Election of the Wardens and Assistants of *Rochester* Bridge:

An Act for making the River *Darwent*, in the County of *York*, navigable:

An Act for the rebuilding and repairing the Piers of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the County of *York*:

An Act for the enlarging and encouraging the *Greenland* Trade:

An Act to ascertain the Water-measure of Fruit:

An Act for continuing and amending the Act, made in the Ninth Year of his late Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for settling and adjusting the Proportions of fine Silver and Silk; and for the better Making of Gold and Silver Thread; and to prevent the Abuses of the Wire-drawers:

An Act for confirming a Purchase made by her Majesty, and an Exchange between her Majesty and the Dean and Canons of the King's free Chapel within the Castle *Windsor*:

An Act for Sale of certain Manors and Lands of *John* late Earl of *Exeter*, for Payment of the Debts, and Performance of the Will, of the said Earl.

An Act for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures:

An Act for Sale of the Manor of *Attingham*, in the County of *Salop*; and settling a Farm, called *Selly Hall*, and a Moiety of the Manor of *Temple Lavern*, in the County of *Worcester*, of better Value, in lieu thereof:

An Act for charging the Estate late of *William Adams* Esquire, deceased, with Portions and Maintenances for *William Adams* and *Elizabeth Adams*, his younger Children:

An Act for Sale of Part of the Estate of *Stephen Soame* Gentleman, and *Dorothy* his Wife; and for applying the Monies, raised thereby, for Payment of his Debts, and for the Portions of *Mary* and *William Soame*, Two of their younger Children:

An Act to enable *Robert Apreece* the elder, and *Robert Apreece* the younger, Esquires, to raise Money out of their Estate, for Payment of a Debt due to her Majesty, and other Debts:

An Act for Confirming and Settling of divers Charities given by the last Will of *Job Marston* Gentleman, deceased:

An Act for the Relief of *Thomas Keightley* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

An Act to enable *Geffery Palmer* Esquire to settle a Jointure upon *Elizabeth* \* \* \* \*

An Act for the Relief of *Hannah Macdonnell*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

An Act for the Relief of Captain *Thomas Beller*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

An Act for the Relief of *Edward Singleton* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

An Act for vesting the Estate of *William Matthews* Gentleman, and *Catharine* his Wife, in Trustees, to be sold for the Purposes therein mentioned:

An Act for the better Government of the Hospital of *Balsall*, in the County of *Warwick*, founded by the Lady *Catharine Leveson*:

An Act for the Relief of *Nicolas Bagnall* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

An Act for the Relief of Colonel *Lutterell*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*:

An Act to enable the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of *St. Peter* in *Exeter*, and their Farmers and Tenants, to make Leases of, and in, the Manor of *Culmstock*, in the County of *Devon*:

An Act for the more effectual Settlement of the Estate of *John Stone*, of *Baldwyn Brightwell*, in the County of *Oxford*, Esquire, in his Family and Name:

An Act for vesting in Trustees the Estate late of Sir *William Powell* Baronet, deceased, for raising Portions for the younger Children of Sir *John Williams*, and Dame *Mary*

Mary his Wife, Daughter of the said Sir *William Powell*; and to enable *William Williams*, their eldest Son, to make a Jointure to such Wife as he shall marry:

An Act for vesting several Messuages and Tenements, in the Counties of *Bedford* and *Middlesex*, in Trustees, to be sold; and for purchasing Lands, or Rents, to be settled to the same Uses:

An Act to enable Trustees to make Sale of Part of the Estate of *Humphrey Bury*, for paying off a Mortgage, and a Portion charged thereupon:

An Act for erecting Hospitals and Work-houses within the Town of *Sudbury*, in the County of *Suffolk*, for the better employing and maintaining the Poor thereof:

An Act to vest several Lands and Tenements, in the County of *York*, in Trustees, to be sold for the Raising of a Portion for *Henrietta Tempest*, an Infant:

An Act for vesting certain Lands and Tenements of *Mountague Earl of Abingdon*, in Trustees, to be sold; and purchasing other Lands, of equal Value; and limiting the Lands to be purchased, to the same Uses as the Lands to be sold are limited:

An Act to enable the Trustees of *James Hunt* Esquire, deceased, to sell Timber, for the Payment of his Debts and Legacies:

An Act to enable *Edward Mansell* Esquire to raise a further Sum of One thousand Pounds on a Mortgage of the Impropriated Rectory of *Llanriddian*, for Payment of Debts.

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties, being read;

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause for the better Curing of Fish, and Preserving of the Pilchard and other Fishery.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas,	{ Mr. <i>Walpoole</i> , Mr. <i>Wheeler</i> :	} 49.
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Tellers for the Noes,	{ Sir <i>Tho. Hanmer</i> , Colonel <i>Lee</i> :	} 52.
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So it passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Friday Morning* next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the said Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Report from the Committee, to whom the Petition of *Thomas Hodges* Esquire was referred.

And the said Report was read; and is as followeth; *viz.*

That the Petitioner, in order to prove his Allegations in his Petition, and the Articles thereunto annexed, containing divers Accusations against the Lord *Grey*, late Governor of *Barbadoes*, and the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, delivered in to the Committee a List, a great Number of Memorials, Answers, Replies, and other Papers, the which he desired might be laid before the Committee, by the said Commissioners of Trade, for him to have recourse to the same, in making good his Charge: Which was ordered by the Committee; and the said Papers were laid before them accordingly; and Mr. *Hodges* was, at his Request, permitted to have Copies of such of those Papers he thought fit to ask for, and Perusal of the rest.

In the Preface of the said Articles, the Petitioner alleges, That, in the Island of *Barbadoes*, the Custom and Usage is, that the Court of Chancery should be held monthly, and continue to sit as many successive Days as the Business before them requires: And the said Court should be called or summoned by the Governor's Order; and that, without his Presence and Assistance therein, no Court should

be held: And the Court of Errors in that Island is, in like manner, to be called and held by the said Governor and Council:

That the late Governor, the Lord *Grey*, landed in that Island on or about the 26th Day of July; and, during the time of his Government, there were several Hundred Causes depending in the said Court of Chancery, as appears to the Petitioner by the Information in Writing of Mr. *John Knapton*, delivered, by him, to the Lords Commissioners of Trade, on the 3d of January 1700; and by a Letter from *Edward Chilton* Esquire, Attorney General of the said Island:

To prove which, the Petitioner referred to his late Majesty's Instructions to the Lord *Gray*, as Governor; whereby it appeared to be Part of the Instructions, for the Governor not to displace any of the Judges, Justices, or other Officers, without Cause to be signified to his Majesty, and to the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations:

That the Petitioner also referred to his late Majesty's Commission to the Lord *Gray*, as Governor; whereby it appeared, the Governor had full Power given him to suspend any of the Members of the said Council from sitting, voting, or assisting therein, if he should find just Cause; and also to suspend any of the said Deputy Governors of the said Island from the Execution of their Commands, and to appoint others in their stead, till his Majesty's Pleasure should be known:

As also, the said Governor had Power, with the Advice and Consent of the Council, to erect, constitute, and establish, such and so many Courts of Judicature, and publick Justice, within the respective Islands, as he should think fit, for the Hearing and Determining of all Causes, as well criminal as civil, according to Law and Equity; and for Awarding of Execution thereupon:

That the Petitioner referred likewise to the Answer of the Commissioners of Trade, concerning Courts of Justice, pursuant to an Order of the House of Commons, of the 2d of April 1701; whereby it appeared, That, to the end a strict and continual Care might be taken in all Matters relating to the Administration of Justice in that Island, the Governor was required to send to the said Commissioners a Copy of the Register and Minutes of the Court of Chancery, and of the Minutes and Business done as a Court of Errors, since his Arrival in that Island; as also, a particular Account of all Causes, Injunctions, and Decrees, made in the Chancery; and a particular Account of all the Days of that Court, and all other Courts sitting in that Island; and that all Courts should be held, for the Dispatch of Business, as Occasion should require; and that such Account should be returned by the Register, or other proper Officer, upon Oath, as by the Paper marked (A) will more fully appear; which Paper is as follows; *viz.*

(A:) And, to the end that a strict and continual Care might be taken in all Matters relating to the Administration of Justice in that Island, we sent to Mr. *Gray* the following Directions; *viz.*

That he should send to us a Copy of the Register and Minutes of the Chancery, and of the Minutes and Business done as a Court of Errors, since his Arrival in that Island:

That he should send a particular Account, and List, of all Causes that now stand entered in the Chancery, or are depending there; and how long each of them has been so depending:

An Account, likewise, specifying each Day of the Month that a Court of Chancery, and a Court of Errors, hath been held, and how many successive Days that Court has at any time continued to sit, since his Arrival at that Government: In which Account the Proceedings of each Day are also to be set down severally, and the Names of such Members of Council, as attended each Day, inserted:

An Account how many final Decrees have been made there, since his Arrival; how many Injunctions granted; how many dissolved; and how many remain still in Force:

And

And whereas, by an Act of that Island, made in the Year 1661, the Five several Courts of Common Law have certain Days appointed for their Sitting: That we expected from him a particular Account how many of the said Days each of the said Courts hath sat since his entering upon that Government; together with an Account of the Business they have done each Day, copied from their Minutes:

These Accounts to be fully and plainly given by the Registers, or other proper Officers, of the respective Courts, and sufficiently attested:

And that we further expected, that, for the future, he should hold the Court of Chancery as often, and for so long time, as should be requisite for Dispatch of the several Causes depending before the Court; and that an exact Account should be always kept of the Names of such of the Council as do give their Attendance during the Sitting of the said Court; so that the Register, or other proper Officer, may be able to give a particular Account thereof, on Oath, from time to time, if the same shall be required:

That the Petitioner, in further Proof, likewise referred himself to the Reply of the Council of *Barbadoes* to his Complaint; whereby he charges, That the Court of Chancery had been adjourned for many Months together, and little Business done for Three Years last past.

In answer to which, by the same Reply, it is said, That the Lord *Gray* arrived at *Barbadoes* 26th July 1698, being then a very sickly Time: However, he held a Court of Chancery on the 10th of August following; it being customary to hold that Court once a Month; but, after that, by reason of the Sickness of the Country, with which the Governor was infected, there was no Court held till January following; when Two Courts were held, and considerable Business done; and, after which time, the said Court was held monthly:

That, in April, May, June, and July, 1700, the Sickness so raged in the said Town, where that Court usually sits, that the Houses were near all shut up, and few or none of the Inhabitants escaped it, many dying; so that neither Clients nor Lawyers were willing to attend their Business for fear of it: For which Cause, and that the Business might not be impeded, there was a House appointed in the Country; and several Courts, within that Time, ordered to be held; but the Lawyers being most of them sick, they could not attend till August; upon the 7th of which Month the said Court was held, and continued to be so monthly, and sometimes Three times in One Month, until all the Business thereof was fully heard, which was on the 20th of March 1700, when there remained not one Cause, Plea, or Demurrer, Petition or Motion, undetermined, then ripe, and set down for Hearing; as will more fully appear by the Paper marked (B); which follows; viz.

Copy of the First and Fifteenth Article of the Council of *Barbadoes*' Reply to Mr. *Hodges*' Complaint.

First, That the said Court of Chancery has been adjourned for many Months together, and little Business done for Three Years last past.

In answer to which, it must be premised, That the said Court of Chancery is established by an ancient Statute of the Island, and consists of the Governor and Council for the Time being; whereof the Governor, or Four or more Members of the said Council make a Quorum, or Court; and though the Governor is stiled Chancellor, yet, in all judicial Hearings, he hath but a single Vote; but, without the Governor, there can be no Court held; and though the Law limits no certain Time for the Sitting of the Court, yet the usual Practice for Holding of it is once in Four Weeks, to hear and determine Causes, Pleas, Demurrers, Petitions, Exceptions to Masters Reports, and Motions, &c.

His Excellency the Honourable Mr. *Grey* arrived in this Island on the 26th Day of July 1698, being then a very sickly Time: However, he held a Court of Chancery on the 10th of August following; wherein Thirty-three Motions were heard, in order to forward Business; but it

being then, and afterwards, very sickly for some Months, his Excellency being himself much afflicted with Sickness soon after his Arrival, it happened by that means, that no other Court of Chancery was held afterwards until the 25th Day of January following; it being, withal, the Vacation-time; and had Causes, brought by Injunction, been heard, the Parties would not have been much the better for it; because the Courts of Law are silent here from September to the latter End of January: But the Governor having pretty well recovered his Health, in the Month of January 1698, there were held Two Courts; whereat several Causes, Demurrers, and other considerable Business, was heard and determined: After which time, the Court held monthly, at the least, to the 20th of March 1698, and dispatched a great deal of Business, as may be seen by the List of Causes, Demurrers, and other Matters, heard and determined, and hereunto annexed, and sworn to by the Register of the said Court, excepting the stated Day for the Court's Holding in June 1699; at which time, the Court of Grand Sessions, held by Appointment of Law, and the said stated Day in December, which fell on the 27th, being Holy-day; and also that for the 21st of February, when the Governor happened to be sick.

In the Months of April, May, June, and July 1700, the Sickness so raged in the Town, where the Court of Chancery usually sits, and the Houses near all shut up, and few or none of the Inhabitants thereof escaped it, many dying; so that neither Clients or Lawyers were willing to attend their Business, for fear of it: For which Cause, and that the Business of the Court might not be impeded, there was a House appointed in the Country, and several Courts within that time, ordered to be held; but the Lawyers being most of them sick during that time, they could not attend their Clients Business; and therefore there was nothing done: But its Rage something abating towards August, on the 7th of that Month, the said Court held, and continued to hold, constantly every Month, and sometimes Three times in a Month, until all the Business thereof was fully heard and determined; which was on the 20th of March 1700; when there remained not one Cause, Plea, Demurrer, Petition, or Motion, undetermined in that Court, then ripe, and set down on the List, for Hearing; except Two Causes only, that lay upon an *Advisare* of the Court; which appears by the said Register's said annexed Certificate: By all which it is plainly manifest, that the Petitioner's First Allegation is most untrue, and groundless, in saying little Business has been done in that Court for Three Years last past; and that it meets and adjourns without doing any thing: Nor does the Petitioner, though he pretends to be a Lawyer, consider, that some Causes, or Demurrers, will take up many Hours in the hearing the Arguments of Counsel on both Sides.

Fifteenthly, That but Two Causes were heard in Eight Months, and no Courts of Errors in all that time.

This is as untrue as the rest concerning the Chancery; for the Register's List, annexed, makes it appear, there never was so little as Two Causes heard in Eight Months: And, as to the Court of Errors, the Journals of the Council Books will shew what Proceedings have been made in that Matter; and that the Petitioner was never concerned in any one Cause of Error; and therefore has no Cause to complain thereof.

The Petitioner, in his First Article, alleges, That the said Governor held his First Court of Chancery on the 10th of August 1698, and held it not again till the 25th of January 1698, which is Five Months and Fifteen Days; for which neglect he had no just Excuse.

To prove which, he referred to the Minutes of the Orders taken in Chancery since the Governor's Arrival to the 11th of April 1701; whereby it appeared, that the Court of Chancery did not sit from the 10th of August till the 25th of January following; though, in other Years, it appeared that Court did sit in the Months of September, October, and November:

And that, in that Year, it appeared the Lord Grey held several Councils in those Months that the Court of Chancery did not sit.

To which First Article it was answered for the Lord Grey, That the Reason why the Court of Chancery did not sit from the said 10th of August 1698, till the 25th January following, was from the Sickness of the Governor, Sickness of the Place, Unwillingness of the Lawyers and the People to attend: That it was Vacation-time for other Courts; and that no Person complained of any Injury done thereby.

To prove which;

Major Garth was examined: Who said, That he was in *Barbadoes* when the Lord Grey arrived there; and that, soon after his Lordship's Arrival, he was seized with the Sickness of the Country; insomuch that they had great Apprehensions of his Life; and, upon his Recovery from the Sickness, he broke out with Boils, which seemed to be little less contagious than the Plague: That he did not see the Lord Grey at any publick Entertainment, but the *Cockneys* Feast, which was about the 20th of August, from the 10th of August 1698, to the 25 January following; and that he did not hear of any Complaints, that the Chancery did not sit during that time: And that though the Lord Grey was sick, yet the Island was, as to Health, much as it used to be at other times.

Mr. Gibbs said, That he was in *Barbadoes* when the Lord Grey arrived there; and that his Lordship, soon after his Arrival, was taken with the Sickness, and broke out in Boils; whereby his Life was in Danger: That he saw him Three or Four times between August and January 1698; once at the President's House, once at Colonel's *Scott's*, and twice at his Lordship's own House; and that he did not hear of any Complaint, that the Chancery did not sit at that time.

Mr. Eyles said, That he is one of the Agents for *Barbadoes*; and was ordered by the Assembly there, they hearing that Complaints were made to his Majesty against the Lord Grey, and, as he believes, by Mr. *Hodges*, to justify their Proceedings, and his Lordship's Government; and that they were entirely satisfied with his Lordship's Conduct therein:

That being acquainted with several Persons who came from *Barbadoes*, he inquired of them concerning his Lordship's Behaviour in his Government; and they all gave him a very good Character; and said, there was not then any Complaint in the Island for want of Administration of Justice; and produced an Address to his Majesty from the Council, and General Assembly; which was read; and is as followeth; viz.

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Members of Your Majesty's Council and General Assembly of Your Island of *Barbadoes*, humbly implore Your Royal Leave, by this Opportunity of our Governor, the Right Honourable *Ralph* Lord Grey Baron of *Warke*, to prostrate ourselves at Your Feet with our dutiful Acknowledgements, and Thankfulness for the great Care and Tenderness which Your Majesty hath, at all times, extended to these Your remote Dominions; not only rendering us safe against our Enemies hitherto, but happy in all other Circumstances; especially in that of sending that noble Lord to govern us, whose Wisdom, Moderation, and due Administration of our Laws, have made all Your Subjects here happy, during his Government over us.

And though his Lordship, on his private and weighty Affairs, hath obtained Your Majesty's Leave to come for *England*, we hope, and most humbly pray Your Majesty, that, if it may consist with Your Majesty's Royal Wisdom and Pleasure, it may not be the Occasion of our losing his mild and good Government over us for the future.

And that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to receive from his Lordship in Favour of this Your poor Colony, a Memorial of such Matters which we have thought our Duty to lay before Your Majesty, for the Welfare and Safety of it.

That Your Majesty's sacred Life, and Reign, which is the greatest Security of Your Subjects, the strongest Bul-

wark of the Protestant Religion, and the surest Safeguard of the Liberties of all *Europe*, may be long and happy; and that You may, at all times, triumph over all Your Enemies, in all Places, and be safe in Your Royal Person, against the private Machinations of all wicked designing Men; are the most fervent and zealous Prayers to Almighty God of,

May it please your Majesty,

Your Majesty's most loyal and most dutiful Subjects and Servants.

Mr. *Turner*, Solicitor General in the *Barbadoes*, said, That he went thither some time before the Lord Grey, and staid there till September last; and that, during his Stay there, according to his Observation, his Lordship did administer Justice according to the known Laws of the Island; and that his Lordship was sick for some time; and there were some Persons, who said, it was hard that the Courts were not held; but no Complaint was lodged.

Mr. *Brookes* said, That in February was Twelve-months, he went to *Barbadoes*, and carried with him an Account of the Complaint, made by Mr. *Hodges* to the House of Commons, against the Lord Grey: That he is acquainted with the most considerable Men in the Island; and they did blame Mr. *Hodges*; and said, he had no Reason to make any Complaint: That they did generally declare they were satisfied with the Lord Grey's Government; and that he did not hear of any Complaint there against his Lordship for his Administration of Justice: But, as an Instance of the Dispatch of Business there, said, That he having a Bill in Chancery brought against him, to procure an Injunction to stay Proceedings at Law; which was granted; as also a *Ne exeat Insulam*, till he should answer; and, upon his the said *Brookes'* putting in his Answer, he obtained a Dismission of the Plaintiff's Bill in Two Days time from the granting the Injunction.

Dr. *Parsons* said, That the Lord Grey, soon after he came to the Island, broke out with Sores; which, he thought, were pestilential: That he had, at one time, about Thirty upon him, and that, as one Set dried up, another did rise, till towards January; and that his Lordship was reduced to great Weakness, and not fit for Business: That he often persuaded the Lord Grey not to go to the Town, for fear the Heat there should increase his Distemper; but his Lordship did sometimes reply, with some Passion, That he came there to do his Duty, and no Danger should fright him from it: That he never heard the Complaint against his Lordship, for not holding the Court of Chancery; and believes, there was not any one Person dissatisfied in the Island with his Government; and that, when his Lordship was so weak as not to be able to go to the Town, the Council sometimes met at his House, for Dispatch of Business: That his Lordship fell ill about Five Weeks after he came to the Island; and that between the Time of his Arrival and January following, he used to go Three or Four Times a Week to the President's House, which was about a Mile from his own, to take the Air, when he was able to do it; and that, when he came first to the Island, he lodged at the President's House.

Mr. *David Davis* said, That, about Five Weeks after the Lord Grey came to the Island, he broke out with Boils, which continued upon him, from time to time, till towards the Middle of January, and was not fit for Business during that time; for that he could not bear any Croud or Noise; and was often confined to his House a Week or more at a time, by reason of his Indisposition.

The Petitioner, in his Second Article, alleges, That from the 26 January 1698, to the 5th of July 1699, which is Five Months and Nine Days, the Chancery sat but Two Days; so that in the First Year of his Government, there were Eleven Months, wanting Six Days in which the Court of Chancery sat but Four Days.

To prove which; the Petitioner referred to the Minutes of the Orders taken in the Chancery; whereby it appeared, that the Court of Chancery sat but Two Days, from the 26 January to the 5 July following.



To which Second Article it was answered for the Lord Grey, That though the Petitioner had picked out the Two Days between which there was the longest Recess of that Court's Sitting; yet by the same Minutes of Chancery, to which it was referred, it appeared that Court was held Six times in the Five Months the Petitioner mentions but twice, by his making the Days exclusive; for that the said Court was held 25, 26 January, 22d March, 19th of April, 17 May, and the said 5th July 1699.

The Petitioner, in his Third Article, alleges, That, in the Second Year of his Government, the Court of Chancery sat to hear Causes, and make final Decrees, but One Day in Eleven Months; and that it is, from the 7th September 1699, to the 7th of August 1700; and there is no just Excuse for more than Two Months of his Time.

To prove which he referred to the List of the Business heard and determined in Chancery, attested by the Register of that Court, upon Oath, and so certified to the Commissioners of Trade; whereby it appeared that Court sat but One Day, from the 7th of September 1699, to the 7th of August following.

And the Petitioner alleged the Sickness was over the 9th July; for that, upon that Day, it appeared, by the Minutes of Council, that a Thanksgiving was ordered to be upon the 25th of that Month, for their Deliverance from the Sickness:

And the Court of Common Pleas sat to do Business the 24th, 25th, and 26th of April 1700; as appeared, by the Proceedings of that Court, to which the Petitioner referred.

To which Third Article it was answered, for the Lord Grey, That it would, and did, appear by the Register's Certificate, that tho' the Chancery sat but One Day upon Causes after September till the Sickness in April, yet the Court sat, in most of those Months, upon Pleas, Demurrers, Petitions, Exceptions, Special Reports, and Motions.

And it appeared, that, in the Months of December and February, the stated Day in December happened to be a Holy-day; and, upon the stated Day in February, the Governor was sick.

And, to prove the Sickness began in April, and continued till August, Witnesses were examined; viz.

Mr. *Beddingfeild*: Who said, That, for the Months of April, May, June, and July, he several times passed through the Town, and met but very few People in the Streets, by reason of the Sickness; and most of the Shops were shut up those Months.

Mr. *Chamberlaine* said, That he did not live in the Town; but had Business to come thither very often during the said Months of April, May, June, and July, and saw scarce any Country Gentlemen in the Town, and met few in the Streets, but Corps carrying to be buried, and Doctors and Apothecaries; and most of the Shops were shut up, by reason of the Contagion.

The Petitioner, in the Fourth Article, alleges, That, from the time of the said Lord Grey's entering upon the Government of that Island, in July 1698, to the time when the Petitioner complained to his Majesty, which was in December 1700, the said Court of Chancery sat very seldom, and did very little Business on many of the Days on which they sat: On the 11th of September 1699, it sat, and heard but Two Common Motions, though so much Business was depending in that Court: The next Day it sat, was on the 4th of October 1699; and there were but Two Motions, or Demurrers, heard that Day; and then the Court adjourned for a Month; and, on several other Days, there were but a small Number of Motions, and many of them have been put off to other Courts; and sometimes more have been put off than have been heard, though the Court did commonly adjourn for a Month, and often for a longer Time; and many other great and unreasonable Delays were put upon Suitors by that Court.

To prove which he referred to the Minutes in Chancery; whereby it appeared,

That on the 11th of September 99, the Court heard One Petition, and One Motion.

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The 4th of October, Two Demurrers:

The 25th of January 1698, Five Motions:

The 4th of September 1700, Seven Motions; and Two put off:

The 6th November 1700, Seven Motions; whereof Five were to refer Exceptions:

The 5th July 1699, out of Thirty-two Demurrers, Decrees, Petitions, and Motions, that came on that Day, Fourteen were put off:

And that out of Twenty-one Causes and Motions, which came on 12 July 1699, Ten were put off:

And that a Motion was made for Costs upon the 10th August 98; and the same hung in the Court till the 22d March following, before the same was determined.

Colonel *Cleland* was examined on Behalf of the Petitioner: Who said, That there hath not been a free current Court of Justice in the Island of *Barbadoes* since Colonel *Kendall's* Government:

That he hath heard great Complaints there, of the Delay of Justice; and also from several in *England*; but knows not the Cause:

That the Courts were held constantly in Colonel *Kendall's* Time; and a Judge was turned out, upon Complaint to the Governor for neglecting his Duty in Holding of Courts: That he does not know of any Complaint made to the Lord Grey, of Delay of Justice in any of the Courts: That the Delay of Holding of Courts was not greater in the Lord Grey's Time than in the preceding Governments:

That in the Case of *Bayly* against *Bayly*, there was a Writ of Error depending in the said Island about a Year before the Lord Grey came to the Government there; and many of the Negroes were possessed by the Creditors, by several Decrees obtained before his coming thither; so that, had the Writ of Error been tried, the said Negroes could not have been restored, unless it had been before those Decrees were obtained:

That the said Writ of Error was not determined while he staid there; which was till April 1700; though such Writs were usually determined in Three Months time:

That he never did hear of any Complaints against the Lord Grey, in relation to Injunctions either unduly granted, or unjustly kept on foot.

To which Fourth Article it was answered, for the Lord Grey, That the Petitioner hath cunningly picked out of the Register's Book only those Days on which the least Business came on; and it appears there were but Two Days, wherein the Court did not clear all the Business that came before them.

The Petitioner, in the Fifth Article, alleged, That a great Number of Injunctions have been granted in that Island, during his Government, to stop the Proceedings in the Common Law Courts; and many, if not most of them, have been granted by the said Governor, the same Days Bills were filed, and out of Court, at Times when the Court did not sit; and many of those Injunctions have been continued for several Years; by which the Subjects were debarred of the Benefit of the Common Law, and forced to attend a Court of Chancery, which sat very seldom, and did very little Business when they sat.

To prove which, he referred to the Account of Injunctions granted and dissolved in the Courts of Chancery; whereby it appeared, that, in March, April, May, and July, Five Injunctions were granted out of Court:

And that in 1697, and 1699, there were several Injunctions granted the same Day the Bill was filed:

That an Injunction, in the Case of *Cosyns* and *Battyn*, was granted the 27 March 1699, and was not dissolved till the 2d of October 1700:

That in the Case of *Sadlier* and *Allyn*, an Injunction was granted 6th of August 1698, and not yet dissolved; and that Mr. *Holdyp* had Four Injunctions at a time granted against him.

To which Fifth Article it was answered, for the Lord Grey, by Mr. *Beddingfeild*, who was his Secretary in the Court of Chancery, That it is, and was, the usual Custom of the Court to have Orders made for Injunctions, upon Petitions,



Petitions, as well out of Court as in Court; the Orders, made out of Court for granting such Injunctions, being always with a Proviso, That such Injunction be obtained according to the Rules and Practice of the Court.

The Petitioner, in the Sixth Article, alleges, That the Court of Errors in *Barbadoes*, of which the said Governor and Council were the Judges, did not sit once, from the Governor's Arrival in that Island, in July 1698, till the 24th January 1700; which is Two Years and an Half; whereby all Judgments at Law, whereon Writs of Error were brought, were stayed from Execution; and the said Court having been so long discontinued, was, at length, revived by a publick Proclamation in all the Market Towns of that Island.

To which Sixth Article it was answered, for the Lord Grey, That the said Court of Errors was held by the Governor and Council, and Judges; and that there was a Court held within the Time complained of by the Petitioner; and proved the same by the Book of Assembly and Council; whereby it appeared that such Court was held upon the 10th of August 1698.

The Petitioner, in the Seventh Article, alleges, That by the Neglect and Connivance of the said Governor, most of the Five Courts of Common Pleas did not duly sit at the Times appointed by the Laws of that Island; but were, without any just Cause, frequently adjourned for a long time; and the Court of *St. Andrew's* sat but One Day in Fourteen Months, though many Causes were there depending.

To which Seventh Article, it was answered, for the Lord Grey, That the said Courts might not sit at the very Times appointed by the Laws of the Island; and might be frequently adjourned; but that the same was done without any Connivance or Knowledge of the Governor, but by the customary Power of the said Courts.

The Petitioner, in the Eighth Article, alleges, That, on the Death of Mr. *Gardiner*, One of the Judge Assistants in the Court of *St. Michael's*, the said Governor neglected to fill his Place for above Six Months after; by which all the Business of that Court was stayed; in which about Three or Four Hundred Causes were then depending.

To prove which he called Mr. *Beddingfield*: Who said, That, upon Judge *Gardiner's* Death, and upon Application made to the Lord Grey, for supplying that Vacancy, he did appoint Mr. *Blackman* to succeed him, who did accept of the Office; but, when he came to the Town, and was to sit, he excused himself from so doing, by reason of his Indisposition; and thereupon the Lord Grey did, as he takes it, appoint Mr. *Worsham* to succeed him against the Sitting of the next Court: That the said Judges and Assistants have no Salaries; and the Governor cannot compel any Person to serve in those Employments.

Mr. *Coxse* said, That Judge *Gardiner* died in April or May 1700, and that he came away in December following; and believes the Judge's Place was not then filled up; and that he does not know there was any Application made to the Governor for supplying the same.

Mr. *Turner*\* said, That he never heard of any Application made to the Lord Grey, for the supplying Judge *Gardiner's* Place; and believes his Lordship did supply the same, as soon as he had Notice of his Death: That there hath been Differences in Opinion, whether a Court could be held upon the Death of a Judge or Assistant, and has not known any Court held in such Case; but believes there may have been such held: And believes there might be about a Hundred Causes then depending in the said Court, and believes there neither are, nor have been, at any time, less Causes depending.

That the Petitioner, to prove Two Courts were adjourned for want of One Assistant, referred to the Proceedings of the Court of Common Pleas; whereby it appeared, that the *St. Andrew's* Court was adjourned the 30th June and 28th July 1699, One of the Assistants being dead; though, by the Commission to the Chief Justice of that Court, the said Judge, with any Two of the

Assistants, or, in the Judge's necessary Absence, any Three of the said Assistants, might hold the same.

To which Eighth Article it was answered, for the Lord Grey, That he submits himself, upon what Evidence has been given by Mr. *Hodges'* Witnesses to this Article; and, to prove the supplying Judge *Gardiner's* Place, referred to the Proceedings of the Court of Common Pleas; whereby it appeared, that *James Colleton* Esquire sat as Chief Judge of *St. Michael's* Court the 26, 27, and 28th February 1700.

The Petitioner, in the Ninth Article, alleging, That he then having several Suits of a considerable Value depending in the said Chancery, and other Courts of that Island, was, by the said Obstructions of Justice, very much delayed and oppressed, and lost One Debt of above Eighteen hundred Pounds, together with all his Charge and Trouble: And he has likewise suffered very much by Injunctions there granted, to stop Proceedings at Common Law; and remains still without any Benefit of his Suits in that Island.

To prove which, he produced the Copy of a Will, filed the 25 November 1697, and the Answer did not come in till the 15 March following; and his Cause depended Two Years; and could get no further than Exceptions to the Answer:

And, in another Cause between the said *Hodges* and Sir *Sam. Husbands*, he referred to the Register's Certificate of Business done in that Court; whereby it appeared, that the Petitioner's Bill was filed the 22d May 1699, and the 12th of June, an Attachment issued out, for want of an Answer, against the Defendant; and, that Day, he got Fourteen Days time to answer; and, upon the Twentieth, he had Fourteen Days more; and, upon the Thirtieth, he had Fourteen Days more; and, they being expired, the Attachment issued out; and, the 3d August, he petitioned to clear his Contempt, and filed his Answer upon the 25th of August: Upon which, *Hodges*, by Petition, had a Month's time to accept or reply; and, after that, a Month more; and, upon the 16 September, filed his Exceptions, which were referred to a Master the 24th of January; and, upon the 20th of March, the Master's Report was published, and, after Confirmation, suspended for further Answer, and Costs issued; but, before any further Answer, the said Sir *Samuel Husbands* died:

By whose Death, the Petitioner said, he lost all the Event of his Suit; the said Sir *Samuel* having but little Estate, other than an Annuity of Five hundred Pounds per Annum; which, had his Cause been dispatched in the said Court, he might have obliged him to have sold, for answering what might have been decreed against him:

And that, in another Cause against one *Horne*, the Petitioner's Agent in *Barbadoes* consented to an Agreement, to be decreed, much to his Prejudice; which he cannot, as yet, get to be set aside.

To which Ninth Article it was answered, for the Lord Grey, That, as to the Cause between the Petitioner and *Husbands*, it appears, by the Register's Certificate, that he took more time to reply and except to the Answer than the Defendant had for answering; whereby the Delay, in a great measure, lay upon himself.

And that, as to . . . . . Case between the Petitioner . . . his Lordship was no-way concerned in what Agreements were made by the Agents in the Causes; and that, if he suffered any Abuse by his own Agent, who he had empowered to make Agreements, to be decreed by Consent, he must lay the Blame upon his said Correspondent, and not the Decree of the Court; his Lordship being indifferent and unconcerned in the Matter; and the Consent of the Parties appearing to be the Foundation for the Decree.

The Petitioner, in the Tenth Article, alleges, That the Lords Commissioners of Trade, in their Proceedings thereon, have acted contrary to the Trust reposed in them by his Majesty, to the Dishonour of his Government, and great Oppression to the Petitioner, and many others.

The which the Petitioner alleged to be true; for that he said Commissioners had not fairly and impartially reported

\* In the Margin of the Journal is written, "Solicitor General of the said Island."

reported to his late Majesty the Facts by him alleged to them in the Nine preceding Articles.

For Answer whereunto, the Commissioners of Trade alleged, That they never refused, or delayed, upon the frequent Application of Mr. *Hodges*, to represent to his late Majesty the Complaints of the said Mr. *Hodges*, together with the proper Remedies, in case the Allegations of the Complaints had been true; and did not only write thereupon to the Lord *Grey*, but likewise procured his late Majesty's Letters to him, to the same Effect; viz.

That especial Care might be taken, that Justice should be every where duly and speedily administered; and that all Complaints should have such Redress as was agreeable to Law; and that the Governor should constantly hold Courts of Chancery, till all the Causes depending were determined: Which may more fully appear, with divers other Particulars to the same Tenour, by the Papers C, D, E, F, G; which follow; viz.

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SIR, *Whitehall*, January 27th, 1702.

HAVING, in pursuance of his Majesty's Order in Council, upon the Petition of *John Loder* Esquire, *Mary Crofts*, and *Martha Frederick* Widow, whereof we send you here inclosed a Copy, considered the Matter therein complained of; and finding, that, by the great Neglect there has been in holding Courts of Chancery in *Barbadoes*, and by the Want of Dispatch of Business, there are more than Three hundred Causes depending in that Court, many of which are of several Years Standing, to the very great Prejudice of the Petitioners, and other Suitors; we are, in his Majesty's Name, to require you, for the future, to be more careful in the Expediting of Justice, and to hold Courts of Chancery, until all the Causes depending there be determined; to the End that no more Occasion be given for Complaints in Matters of this Nature, which are so grievous to the Subject: And we do further direct, That Entry be made of this Letter in the Council Books, for the Satisfaction of all Persons therein concerned; and that you return us an Account of your Proceedings herein, and in Answer to our Letter of the 16th October last. So we bid you heartily farewell.

Your very loving Friends,

*Stamford*, *Wm. Blathwait*,  
*Abr. Hill*, *Mat. Prior*,  
*Ph. Meadows*, *John Pollerfen*,  
*Geo. Stepney*,

To the Honourable Mr. *Grey*.

(D). To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

May it please Your Majesty,

WE humbly beg Leave to represent to your Majesty, with relation to the Administration of Justice in Your Majesty's Island of *Barbadoes*, That, in Obedience to Your Majesty's Order in Council, of the Fifth of December last, upon the Petition of *John Loder* Esquire, and others, complaining of Delays, and especially of the Court of Chancery of that Island, we have writ to the Governor, as Your Majesty did then require us.

And Your Majesty having been further pleased, by Order in Council, of the 12th of December last, upon the Petition of *Isaac Hawkins* Esquire, and by another Order, of the 19th of December last, upon the Petition of *Thomas Hodges* Esquire, to direct us to examine the Matter of those Petitions; and to report what we conceived fit for Your Majesty to do therein:

We humbly report, That the said Petitions do all of them contain Complaints of Delay, and undue Proceedings, in the Courts of Justice in *Barbadoes*; which the Petitioners, among other Causes, impute to the Partiality of some Persons appointed to sit in the Judicatories of that Island, who are themselves much indebted; and, having many Suits depending against them, are thereby fre-

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quently interested, either directly, or by Consequence, in the Issue of the Suits that are brought before them. Barbadoes Government.

And finding, that, besides the Delays and Irregularities in other Courts, the Neglect in holding Courts of Chancery, and the Want of Dispatch of Business there, have been such, that there are more than Three hundred Causes depending in that Court; many of which are of several Years Standing; to the very great Prejudice of the Petitioners, and other Suitors; we are humbly of Opinion, that, for Redress of those Miscarriages, and the better to prevent all future Grounds for Complaints in Matters of this Nature, which are so grievous to the Subject, Your Majesty may be pleased to direct, That the Copies of the aforesaid Petitions; and of the Memorials offered thereupon, be sent to the Governor of that Island, for his Answers thereunto; and that Letters be also dispatched, requiring him to take especial Care, that no Person, interested in the Suits depending in any of the Courts of that Island, be appointed, or permitted, to sit as Judges in the Causes wherein they are concerned; that Justice be every where duly and speedily administered; and that he do also himself constantly hold Courts of Chancery, until all the Causes shall be determined.

As to the particular Case of the aforementioned *Hodges*, upon which he has desired, that Your Majesty would be pleased to direct the Court of Chancery there to set aside certain Agreements, that he conceives to have been made in his Wrong, we humbly represent, That it has not been usual for Your Majesty, or Your Predecessors, to interpose the Royal Authority in judicial Proceedings in the Plantations, otherwise than by receiving Appeals to Your Majesty in Council, for Your Royal Determination, as to Right shall appertain.

All which, nevertheless, is most humbly submitted.

*John Pollerfen*, *Stamford*,  
*Abr. Hill*, *Lexington*,  
*Geo. Stepney*, *Ph. Meadows*,  
*Mat. Prior*, *Wm. Blathwait*.

*Whitehall*, February  
the 6th, 1702.

(E).

SIR, *Whitehall*, March 13th, 1702.

HAVING made an humble Representation to his Majesty, with a Draught of a Letter for his Royal Signature, relating to the Administration of Justice in *Barbadoes*, we send you the same here inclosed, to be laid before his Majesty. We are,

SIR,

Your most humble Servants,

*Stamford*, *John Pollerfen*,  
*Wm. Blathwait*, *Abr. Hill*,  
*Ph. Meadows*,

Right Honourable

Mr. Secretary *Vernon*.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

May it please Your Majesty,

IN Obedience to Your Majesty's Order in Council, of the 13th of the last Month, we herewith humbly lay before Your Majesty the Draught of a Letter, for Your Majesty's Royal Signature, to Colonel *Grey*, Governor in Chief of the Island of *Barbadoes*, relating to several Petitions and Complaints that had been laid before Your Majesty, of great Delays, and undue Proceedings, in the Courts of Justice in that Island;

Which, nevertheless, we most humbly submit.

Signed,

*Stamford*, *Ph. Meadows*,  
*Wm. Blathwait*, *Abr. Hill*,  
*Lexington*, *Mat. Prior*,  
*John Pollerfen*,

*Whitehall*, March the  
11th, 1702.

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TRUSTY and Well-beloved, We greet you well. Whereas *John Loder*, *Isaac Hawkins*, and *Thomas Hodges*, Esquires, in behalf of themselves, and others, have, by their humble Petitions severally laid before Us divers Complaints of great Delays, and undue Proceedings, in Our Courts of Justice in Our Island of *Barbadoes*; in the Setting forth whereof, they offered to prove, that there were lately above Eight hundred Causes, depending at one time, in Two of the Courts of Common Pleas in that Island, besides what more might be depending in the Three other Courts of the same Kind, whereof they had not yet been informed; and have imputed this Disorder, amongst other Causes, to the Partiality of some Persons appointed to sit in the Judicatories of the said Island, who are themselves much indebted; have many Suits depending against them; and are thereby frequently interested, either directly, or by Consequence, in the Issue of the Suits that are brought before them: And whereas it has been further represented by the said Petitioners, That the Method practised in the Courts of Chancery, in determining Controversies, and pronouncing Decrees, is very irregular; and that the Neglect in holding those Courts, and the Want of Dispatch of Business there, have been such, that there has been sometimes but One Court held in the Space of Eight or Nine Months, and very little done in it since your entering upon that Government; so that there are more than Three hundred Causes depending in the said Court, many of which are of several Years standing; and also, that, since your being there, not any Court of Errors did sit in Two Years time; by which means, all Judgments at Common Law, whereon Writs of Error have been brought, were staid from Execution: All which Delays, and undue Proceedings, do tend to the very great Prejudice of the Petitioners, and other Suitors: And it being highly necessary, that all Irregularities of this Nature, which are so grievous to Our Subjects, be reformed, and that the Grounds of all such Complaints being thoroughly inquired into, effectual Care be taken, that they be, for the future, intirely removed: We have, in order thereunto, directed Our Commissioners for Trade and Plantations to transmit unto you the Copies of the aforesaid Petitions, and of the Memorials offered thereupon, for your Answers not only to the particular Cases of the Petitioners, but also to the more general Complaints afore-mentioned.

And we do hereby will and require you to take especial Care, that no Person, interested in the Suits depending in any of the Courts of Our said Island, be appointed or permitted to sit as Judge in the Causes wherein they are concerned; that Justice be every where duly and speedily administered; that the Complainants have such Redress as is agreeable to Law; and that you do yourself constantly hold Courts of Chancery, until all the Causes there be determined: We do likewise declare Our Royal Will and Pleasure, That no Members of our Council in that Island be exempted from any Prosecution, in Law or Equity, for the Payment of their just Debts, except only during the Time that the General Assembly of Our said Island shall be sitting; which you are accordingly to declare unto them. And, for the better Observance of Our Directions in all this Matter, as well as for the Satisfaction of all Persons concerned, you are to cause Entry to be made of this Letter in Our Council Books. So We bid you farewell.

Given at Our Court at *Kensington*, the 16th Day of March 1702, in the 13th Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,  
*James Vernon.*

SIR, (F). *Whitehall*, March 25th, 1701.

We writ to you the 27th January last, upon Occasion of a Petition presented to his Majesty in the Name

of *John Loder* Esquire, and others, concerning the great Neglect there has been in holding Courts of Chancery in *Barbadoes*, and the Want of Dispatch of Business there: But, since that time, other Complaints of the like Nature having been laid before his Majesty; setting forth not only the Neglects of that Court, but of the other Courts of Justice in that Island, together with divers other Irregularities practised in the Administration of Justice; his Majesty has thereupon been pleased to write to you the inclosed Letter, and to command us to send you the inclosed Copies of the Petitions and Memorials therein referred to: Whereupon we are further to require of you to return unto us full Answers, not only to the general Matters of the Complaints, but also to the Case of each particular Petitioner, that such further Report may be laid before his Majesty thereupon, as shall be necessary.

We are, Sir,

Your humble Servants,

*Stamford,* *Ph. Meadows,*  
*Wm. Blaythwait,* *Abr. Hill,*  
*Levington,* *Mat. Prior.*  
*John Pollexfen,*

*Ralph Grey* Esquire, Governor  
of *Barbadoes*.

(G). To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

May it please Your Majesty,

SEVERAL Petitions having been laid before Your Majesty the last Winter, complaining of Delays, and other Irregularities, in the Administration of Justice in *Barbadoes*, which Your Majesty was then pleased to refer to our Consideration, and to require us to report what we conceived fit to be done therein; and, in pursuance thereof, several Memorials, and other Papers, having been delivered unto us by Mr. *Thomas Hodges*, One of the Petitioners; all of which Petitions, Memorials, and other Papers, we accordingly considered, and did thereupon humbly report to Your Majesty, the Sixth of February last, to the following Effect; viz. That Copies of all the said Petitions, and other Papers, might be transmitted to the Governor of that Island; and a Letter writ, to require him to take especial Care, that no Persons, interested in the Suits depending in any of the Courts of that Island, be appointed or permitted to sit as Judges in the Causes wherein they are concerned; that Justice be every where duly and speedily administered; and that he do also himself constantly hold Courts of Chancery, until all the Causes there be determined: And, in relation to the particular Case of Mr. *Hodges*, upon which he desired, that the Court of Chancery of the said Island might be directed to set aside certain Agreements, which he conceives to have been made in his Wrong; we further added, that it has not been usual for Your Majesty, or Your Predecessors to interpose the Royal Authority in judicial Proceedings in the Plantations, otherwise than by receiving Appeals to Your Majesty in Council for Your Royal Determination, as to Right shall appertain:

All which Your Majesty was pleased to approve; and a Letter thereupon, prepared by us, having accordingly been dispatched, under Your Royal Signature, the 16th of March last, and sent thither, together with Copies of all the forementioned Papers; we now humbly crave Leave to lay before Your Majesty an Account of the further Progress of that Matter:

The Governor and Council of *Barbadoes* have transmitted to us a large and particular Answer to the several Heads of Complaint exhibited by Mr. *Hodges* against the Proceedings of the Court of Chancery, and other Courts of Justice, in that Island; wherein they set forth, That the said Courts did sit more frequently than had been suggested by Mr. *Hodges*; appealing, for Proof of what they say, to the Copies of their Journals, and Certificate of the publick Register; by which they also shew, that all the Causes, ripened for hearing in the Court of Chancery since the present Governor's Arrival, being in the Whole but Seventy-eight, and Fifteen thereof having been upon the List before his Arrival, were finished in March last: And

when the Interval between their Sittings happened to be longer than usual; they offer divers Reasons for it; as the Governor's Sickness; the Sickness of the Island; the necessary Forms and Methods of their Proceedings, &c.: They likewise vindicate themselves from some other Imputations, by denying directly what Mr. *Hodges* asserts; particularly in relation to the Circumstances of the Judges of that Island, as if they were Persons much in Debt; also in relation to the Authority of some great Men amongst them, as if it were made use of to deter Witnesses concerning declaring their Knowledge of the Maladministration of Justice: And they, in like manner, contradict him in several other Points; challenging him withal to prove, by particular Instances, wherein Justice has been perverted, either through Bribery, or any other unwarrantable Consideration: And, in further Testimony of the Governor's good Conduct, they appeal to the Addresses that have been made by the Inhabitants to Your Majesty, and to him the Governor, acknowledging his impartial Administration of Justice amongst them: In reference whereunto, they likewise observe, That, amongst the Seventy-eight Causes, which have been determined by him, there have been but Two Appeals made to Your Majesty in Council here. These are the principal Heads whereof their Answer consists.

Upon the Receipt hereof, Mr. *Hodges*, who is the only Person who appears to us to concern himself in the Prosecution of these Matters, desiring that the same might be communicated to him, together with all the Papers therein referred to, we complied with him therein; and he has thereupon delivered to us a long Reply, in which he endeavours to disprove what the Governor and Council have alleged, and to invalidate the Reasons, which they have offered from the Consideration of Sickness, and otherwise, for the extraordinary Intervals that have sometimes happened: And this he does by Observations upon their Journals; by offering some Grounds of doubting, whether the Certificate of their Register was made upon Oath, as is pretended; together with other particular Objections.

He complains of the Governor's Neglect to inspect the Management of the Courts of Common Pleas; particularly that of *St. Andrew's*, whose Negligence was such, that, as he says, they sat but One Day in Fourteen Months: He instances an Obstruction in the Course of Justice, by the Governor's not filling up a Judge Assistant's Place in the Court of *St. Michael* for about Six Months after the Death of Mr. *Gardiner*, who had been in that Place; by means whereof all Proceedings in that Court were so long stopped: He likewise complains of the great Hindrance, which his, and other Mens, Common Law Proceedings had received from the Court of Chancery, by Injunctions irregularly granted, and long continued; and instances particularly in Two Cases of his own; the one carried on in the Names of *Coates* and *Spry*, his Trustees, against *Sadler*; the other in the Name of *Heldip*, his Trustee, against *Downes*; each of which, he says, had been suspended, by Injunction out of Chancery, for above Two Years.

He further asserts, That no Court of Errors was held by the Governor, or, at least, that no Writ of Error was heard, and determined, by that Court, from his Arrival there in July 1698, until the 24th January 1700, which is about Two Years and a Half; and he names Mr. *Sharp* and Mr. *Sadler* as Persons much in Debt; and therefore unfit to sit in any of the Judicatories of that Island: Whereas the Governor and Council have certified, That all Cases, ripe for a Hearing in Chancery were finished in March last.

He does not deny but that extraordinary Diligence was used a little before that Time; but this he attributes to the particular Directions given to the Governor by our Letter of the 16th October 1700, for sending home attested Copies of the Proceedings of all their Courts. He does not instance in any Delay or Denial of Justice, either since the Receipt of Your Majesty's Letter of the 16th March last, or of Your Letter of the 16th of October before; nor has he produced to us any Affidavits

upon the Points, with the Governor and Council have challenged him to make good; though we have frequently directed him to bring Affidavits upon whatsoever he thought necessary to be proved; so that, whatever have been the Neglects, or other Irregularities, in their Courts of Justice formerly, we have Reason to believe, that the Directions, already sent, have been of good Use, towards their Reformation.

However, Mr. *Hodges*, not explaining himself by any one particular Prayer, or Desire, in relation to any Case wherein he is concerned, though often required by us to do it, persists still in his general Complaint of former Irregularities; as if no Justice were ever to be expected in that Island, without altering the whole Form of Government.

He insinuates, That the Chancellor, and other Judges, should be Persons learned, and well-skilled, in the Laws of *England*: Upon which we observe, that, upon the general Administration of Justice in all Your Majesty's Plantations, Inhabitants of the best Ability and Reputation have been looked upon as the Persons most proper to determine Controversies there, and of least Charge to the People.

He proposes, That the Custom of making Presents to Governors by General Assemblies should be abolished; against which there would be no Objection, if a competent Maintenance could otherwise be made to such Governors as have no sufficient Allowances, without bringing a new Expence upon Your Majesty, as we have formerly represented.

He desires that no longer Time than Fourteen Days may be allowed for appealing to Your Majesty from the Decrees of their Chancery Courts; which being contrary to the general Constitution of the Plantations, who have all acted by the same Rule, without complaining, we are apprehensive lest the altering of it, as Mr. *Hodges* desires, should be attended with yet greater Inconveniencies than what he seeks to remedy. These are the principal Heads of his Reply.

Upon all which, we humble observe, That it does not appear to us, that there have been any extraordinary Delays in the Sitting of the Courts of Justice in *Barbadoes* since the fore-mentioned Directions sent thither; nor much less that they have refused to hear any Motion, or give Judgment in any Cause that has come before them; and we do not, therefore, conceive any thing more proper to be done in this Matter at present, than that the Governor, or Commander in Chief, be strictly admonished to a constant Care and Watchfulness, that Justice be duly administered on all Occasions, according to Your Majesty's Orders already signified to them, as aforesaid.

And whereas, by reason of these Complaints, and the Time that was necessary for the Examination of them, we have not hitherto laid before Your Majesty Two Acts of the General Assembly of *Barbadoes*; the one dated the 3d of October 1699, for the Payment of Two thousand Pounds, current Money of that Island, to his Excellency *Ralph Grey* Esquire; the other dated the 5th of November 1700, for the Payment to him of Two thousand Pounds Sterling; which Sums, by the Constitution of that Government, and Purport of the Acts themselves, he is not to receive, without Your Majesty's Approbation first had:

We now humbly offer, That, considering the Expence which the Lord *Grey* has been obliged to make in supporting the Dignity of that Government, has exceeded his Salary; and there not appearing to us any sufficient Cause to hinder him of the Benefit intended him in this manner by the Inhabitants of that Island: Your Majesty would be graciously pleased to permit him the said Lord *Grey* to receive the said Sums of Two thousand Pounds current Money of *Barbadoes*, and Two thousand Pounds Sterling, according to the Contents of the aforesaid Acts.

And, for any private Injury the said *Hodges* may think he has sustained from the said Lord *Grey* during his Government, he has his Remedy at Law, by virtue of an Act of Parliament lately passed, to punish Governors of Plantations,



Plantations, in this Kingdom, for Crimes committed by them in the Plantations.

All which is most humbly submitted.

Whitehall, December the 12th,  
1701.

Stamford,  
Ph. Meadows,  
Wm. Blathwayt,  
John Pollerfen,  
Mat. Prior.

And the said Commissioners did further allege, That the Occasion of Mr. *Hodges's* Displeasure and Complaint against them was, that, upon his Request to that Board, that he might have an Order from his late Majesty to the Chancery of *Barbadoes*, directing them to set aside an Agreement made by Mr. *Pilgrim*, Mr. *Hodges's* Attorney, with Mr. *Herne*, although the same should have been passed into a Decree; and that the Suit against Mr. *Hodges* should be put into the same Condition, in all respects, as it was before the making the same Agreement; which Request of Mr. *Hodges* appears under his own Hand; the said Commissioners did thereupon report to his late Majesty, That it had not been usual for his Majesty, or his Predecessors, to interpose the Royal Authority in judicial Proceedings in the Plantations, otherwise than by receiving Appeals to his Majesty in Council for his Royal Determination, as to Right should appertain; which, the said Commissioners humbly conceive, they were in Duty obliged to represent to his late Majesty, although to the Dissatisfaction of Mr. *Hodges*; and that, if they had done otherwise, they would have deserved as severe a Censure, as Mr. *Hodges* has, by his Petition and Articles, most unjustly laid upon them.

*Resolved*, That *Thomas Hodges* Esquire hath not made good his Petition, or any of the Particulars of Maladministration complained of by the said Mr. *Hodges* against *Ralph Lord Grey*, late Governor of *Barbadoes*, or the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations.

*Resolved*, That the said Petition, and Complaint, is vexatious and scandalous.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Friday Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying a Duty upon buying, selling, or bargaining for, Shares in any Joint Stocks of Corporations, after the Committee of the whole House upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent the Making of unwholesome and unmerchable Brandies from Corn; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of *French* Brandies; was committed; be made upon Friday Morning next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Jovis, 7<sup>th</sup> die Maii;

1<sup>st</sup> Annæ Reginae.

#### PRAYERS.

**ORDERED**, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for obliging the Jews to maintain, and provide for, their Protestant Children, was committed, be made To-morrow Morning, the First Business.

Sir *Roger Mostyn* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to recompense *Philip Savage* Esquire for the Charge of Outlawries, and attending the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be ingrossed.

The House resumed the further Consideration of the

Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Charlotte Talbot* was committed:

And a Clause being offered to be added to the Bill, That no Papist, or Person educated in the *Romish* Religion, being under the Age of Eighteen Years, or having attained that Age, and shall not, within Six Months thereafter, take the Oaths, and subscribe the Declaration, and continue a Protestant, shall be capable to inherit; but that the next of Kin shall have and enjoy the Premises without Account; and that such Papists, or any in Trust for them, are, and shall be, incapable of purchasing the same;

Which was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

And another Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, That all Leases of the Premises, not made to Protestants, shall be void; and as well the Lessor, as Lessee, of any Lease made to a Papist, shall forfeit Treble the Value of the Lands so leased, except Cottages under Thirty Shillings per Annum to Day Labourers;

Which was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill:

And a Proviso being offered, to be added to the Bill, That the Act shall not extend to the Rectories, Vicarages, or Tythes, vested in the Trustees by the Act of Resumption;

The same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to withdraw the Petition of *James Eustace*, which was referred to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Maurice Annesley* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

Mr. *Tredenham* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Jane Lavillin*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put upon Clauses A, B, and C, the same were agreed unto by the House.

Clause D being read a Second time, for excusing *Jane Lavillin* from taking the Oaths, and subscribing the Declaration;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, to acquit the Trustees of the Rents:

The same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House:

Upon which the Bill was amended; and a Clause therein, relating to that Matter, struck out.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Manley* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Maurice Annesley* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, for something to be allowed in lieu of the personal Estate, which had been granted to Mr. *Annesley*; Claims having been allowed for the personal Estate:



And the Question being put that the Clause be brought up ;

It passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Protestant  
Purchasers  
of Irish  
Forfeitures.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of the Protestant Purchasers of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; they paying, for the same, the respective Purchases therein mentioned ; was committed ; That One-third Part more of the Purchase-money be allowed to the Residue of the Protestant Purchasers ;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Ogle, } 82.  
                                  { Mr. Harvey :

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Gulston, } 79.  
                                  { Mr. Sparks :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Oath of  
Abjuration.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, who drew up the Reasons, to be offered at the Conference, for disagreeing to the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act to declare the Alteration in the Oath, appointed to be taken by the Act, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line ; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors ; and for declaring the Association to be determined ; do manage the said Conference.

And the Managers went to the Conference ;

And being returned ;

The Lord *Cheine* reported, That they had been at the Conference, and given the Lords the Reasons for disagreeing to the said Amendment ; and left the Bill, and Amendments, with the Lords.

Protestant  
Purchasers  
of Irish  
Forfeitures.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of the Protestant Purchasers of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; they paying, for the same, the respective Purchases therein mentioned ; was committed ; That they do make Provision in the said Bill, That One-third Part of the Purchase-money, which was to be repaid by the Grantees to the Purchasers, be vested in the Trustees, to the Use of the Publick ;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. St. John, } 84.  
                                  { Mr. Bruges :

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Roger Bradshaw, } 89.  
                                  { Mr. Poultney :

So it passed in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Clark* have Leave to make a Motion.

And he moved accordingly, That it may be an Instruction to the said Committee, That the forfeited Estates, to be sold by the Trustees, be sold to Protestants only.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do make Provision in the said Bill, That the Sales, by the Trustees, of the forfeited Estates, be only to Protestants.

Molony's  
Relief.

Sir *John Bollés* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dennis Molony* Gentleman, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were once read throughout ; and then a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House, with an Amendment to One of them.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Manley* reported from the Committee, to whom

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the Bill for the Relief of *Edward Nugent*, of *Donore*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Esquire, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were read throughout ; and several of them a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Clause B, being read a Second time, for setting the Lands to such Persons only as are of the Protestant Religion ; and for disabling Papists to enjoy the same by themselves, or any in Trust for them ; and limiting the same to the next of Kin, being Protestants ; except Cottages of Forty Shillings per Annum to Day-labourers ;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment ;

It passed in the Negative.

Clause C, being read a Second time, for the Trustees enjoying all Rectories and Vicarages, Improvements, and Tythes, as by the Act of Resumption ;

And a Debate arising in the House thereupon ;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned till *Saturday* Morning next.

Mr. *Hayes* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for enlarging the Time to *Rebecca Viscountess Falkland* to enter her Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, with relation to a Mortgage upon the Estate of *Patrick Sarsfield* Esquire, deceased, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were once read throughout ; and then a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, with Amendments to some of them, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *William Lord Viscount Mountjoy*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass : And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *William Lord Viscount Mountjoy*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Robert Edgworth*, Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for the Persons, enjoying the Estate, to continue Protestants :

And the same was thrice read ; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for avoiding Leases made of the Estate :

And the same was thrice read ; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill ; Press \* L. \* to leave out " Forty," and, instead thereof, insert " Thirty :"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed to by the House ; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass : And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Robert Edgworth* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, proceed further in reading the ingrossed Bills a Third time ; and the Second reading the other Bills ; and afterwards

Nugent's  
Relief.

Viscountess  
Falkland's  
Relief.

Lord  
Mountjoy's  
Relief.

Edgworth's  
Relief.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

afterwards to the Receiving of Reports of the Bills which have been committed, relating to the *Irish Forfeitures*.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for regulating the Prisons of the *King's Bench* and *Fleet*.

*Ordered*, That the Warden of the *Fleet*, and Marshal of the *King's Bench*, do then attend the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 8° die Maii;*

1° Annæ Reginae.

#### PRAYERS.

A BILL for importing into *England* Thrown Silk of the Growth of *Sicily* from the Port of *Leghorne* in *Italy*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Sir Rowland Gwyn, Mr. Goreing, Mr. Hoblyn, Mr. Heathcott, Sir John Mordant, Lord Coningsby, Mr. Crawford, Sir John Parsons, Mr. Clerke, Mr. Portman, Sir John Bolls, Mr. Topham, Mr. Poultney, Colonel Lee, Mr. Sayers, Mr. Brewer, Sir Hen. Bunbury, Sir Tho. Hales, Mr. Roberts, Sir Rich. Cox, Mr. Owen, Mr. Foley, Mr. White, Mr. Morgan, Sir Fra. Windham, Sir Tho. Littleton, Mr. Tredenham, Sir Jos. Tredenham, Mr. St. John, Mr. Morley, Sir Fra. Masham, Mr. Cooke, Mr. Lee, Mr. Bold; and all the Merchants of the House: And they are to meet this Afternoon, at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

A Petition of divers Weavers of *London*, *Norwich*, and *Canterbury*, and other Dealers in the Silk, and Silk and Worsted, Manufactures, in behalf of themselves, and others, was presented to the House, and read; setting forth, That the Bringing of Thrown Silk of the Growth of *Italy*, *Sicily*, and *Naples*, was prohibited by an Act of Parliament of the Second of *William* and *Mary*, unless imported in such manner as is directed by another Act of the Twelfth of *King Charles* the Second: And it being found, that the Importation of such Silk, in the manner prescribed by the last mentioned Act, in regard of the Difficulties and Hazard occasioned by the late War with *France*, was so prejudicial, as that the Silk Manufacture was in great Danger of being lost; for Prevention whereof, an Act passed in the Fifth Year of the said King and Queen, for the Importation of the said Silk from any Place, unless the Ports of *France*, during that War: And, in regard the same, or greater, Hazards will now happen, if not prevented, they pray, That the said Thrown Silk may be imported from any Port or Place, except of *France* and *Spain*, during the present War.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the importing Thrown Silk, according to the Prayer of the said Petition: And that Colonel Lee, Mr. Sayers, and Mr. Brewer, do prepare, and bring in, the said Bill.

Colonel Lee, according to Order, presented to the House a Bill for the Importation of fine *Italian* Thrown Silk: And the same was received.

Sir Rowland Gwyn, according to Order, reported, from the Committee, to whom the Bill for obliging the Jews to maintain and provide for their Protestant Children was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; and also the Matter, as it appeared to them, touching the Words spoken by Mr. de Casseres, in relation to the said Bill; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the said Amendments were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, several of them were agreed unto by the House.

The last Amendment being read a Second time; An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out "which Order shall be final:"

And the Question being put, That those Words stand Part of the Amendment;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Gape, } 30.  
                                  { Sir Fra. Blake: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Goreing, } 54.  
                                  { Mr. Heysham: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment, so amended;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of the Protestant Purchasers of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; they paying, for the same, the respective Purchases therein mentioned; is committed; That they have Power to receive a Clause for the Relief of Mr. William Palmer, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Sir Henry Burnaby be added to the said Committee.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer acquainted the House, That their Address, returning to her Majesty the Thanks of this House, for directing the Princess *Sophia* to be prayed for, having been presented to her Majesty, her Majesty was pleased thereupon to say, That she will omit no Occasion of supporting the Protestant Religion, and maintaining the true Interest of *England*.

A Bill for the continuing the present Sheriffs in *England* . . . *Wales*, until the First Day of *Hilary* Term next, unless her Majesty shall think fit to determine them sooner, being read a Second time;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be ingrossed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Conyers took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Conyers reported from the said Committee, That they had made a further Progress in the said Bill; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the better Discovery of all Lands, and other Revenues, given to Popish superstitious Uses; and for applying the same for the Support of the Royal Hospital of *Greenwich*; was committed; be made upon this Day *Sevensnight*.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for enabling Trustees to sell certain Messuages, Houses, Rents, and Grounds, in the Parish of *St. Martin's in the Fields*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for the Payment of the Debts of *John Hinde*, late of *London*, Goldsmith, was committed, be taken into Consideration on *Tuesday* Morning next.

*Ordered*, That the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill to prevent the making of unwholesome and unmerchable Brandies from *Corn*; and for preventing the clandestine Importation of *French* Brandies; was committed; be made upon *Tuesday* Morning next.

*Resolved*,

Protestant  
Purchasers  
of Irish  
Forfeitures.

Answer to  
Address.

Continuing  
Sheriffs on  
Accession of  
Q. Anne.

Salt Duties.

Estates given  
to supersti-  
tious Uses.

Hinde's  
Estate.

Unwhole-  
some  
Brandies.

Duty on  
Sale of Joint  
Stock Shares.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Monday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying a Duty upon buying, selling, or bargaining for, Shares in any Joint Stocks of Corporations, after the Committee upon the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Sabbati, 9° die Maii;*

1° Annæ Reginae.

PRAYERS.

Italian  
Thrown  
Silk.

**A** BILL for the Importation of fine *Italian* Thrown Silk was, according to Order, read the First time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time upon *Monday* Morning next, in a full House.

Nugent's  
Relief.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate upon the Clause to the Bill for the Relief of *Edward Nugent*, of *Donore*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Esquire.

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

Clause D, being read a Second time, for preserving the Dower allowed out of the Estate, by the Trustees, to *Rose Nugent* Widow, and Relict of *Robert Nugent* Esquire;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

The rest of the Amendments, made by the Committee, being read a Second time, were, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, That the Premises shall be lett to Protestants only;

The same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, That the Bill shall not extend to any Rectories or Impropriations;

The same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, for Confirmation of Decrees made by the Trustees;

The same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, to acquit the Trustees of the Rents of the Premises;

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, for Liberty to enter a Claim before the Trustees;

The same was twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Robert Legard* and Mr. *Pitt*:

Mr. Speaker,

Earl Clan-  
riccard's, &c.  
Provision.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making Provision for the Protestant Children of the Earl of *Clanriccard* and the Lord *Bophin*, without any Amendments. Also,

Barnwell's  
Estate.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the enabling *Abraham Barnwell* to make a more ample Settlement of his Estate, for the Benefit of his Family; and to charge Part thereof for raising Portions for his younger Children in his Life-time, and for Payment of his Debts. Also,

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The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *Francis* Earl of *Carlingford*, and others, against several Outlawries in the County of *Tipperary* in *Ireland*, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Elizabeth Wandesford*, and *Elizabeth Foulks*, her Daughter by her late Husband *Garret Foulks* Esquire, deceased, was read the Third time.

And an ingrossed Clause being offered, as a Rider, That

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And a Debate arising in the House thereupon;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned till *Tuesday* Morning next.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Mary Vernon* was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Mary Vernon*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Mr. Comptroller acquainted the House, That, their Address having been presented to her Majesty, relating to the Fees of the Commissions to the Officers of her Majesty's Army, her Majesty was pleased to say, She would take care therein.

An ingrossed Bill for Relief of *Susannah Smith* Widow, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Susannah Smith* Widow, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Nicholas* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Maria Eufemia* Countess of *Limerick*, and *Thomas* Earl of *Limerick*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That the Two-thirds of the Purchase Money may be paid to Protestant Purchasers:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for Reversing of Attainders against Feme-coverts:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And . . . the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Thomas* Earl of *Limerick*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, and *Euphemia* Countess Dowager of *Limerick*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Manley* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereto.

A Bill for the Relief of *Francis Spring*, and other Protestant Tenants of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, in respect to their real Improvements, was read the Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to Mr. *Manley*, Sir *Wal. Young*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Mansell*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Mr. *Moncton*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Mr. *Harvey*, Sir *Fra. Blaak*, Sir *Hen. Lyddell*, Mr. *Harcourt*, Colonel *Thompson*, Mr. *Tredenham*, Mr. *Fleming*, Lord *Sherrard*, Sir *Edw. Turner*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Mr. *Davy*, Mr. *Masters*, Mr. *Bulkley*, Mr. *Clark*, Sir *John Bolls*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Blaak*, Sir *Tho. Littleton*, Sir *Jas. Tredenham*, Mr. *St. Loe*, Mr. *Yard*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Mr. *Mompesson*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Brewer*, Lord *Bulkley*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Lee*, Sir *John Molesworth*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Phillips*: And they are to meet this Afternoon, in the Speaker's Chamber: And they are to sit *de die in diem*.

A Bill

A Bill for the Relief of Sir *Redmond Everard*, an Infant, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Blank in the Bill, for the Sum to be paid by Sir *Redmond Everard*, be left to be filled up by the House.

A Bill for Exempting and Discharging of *Arthur Trench*, and *Sarah* his Wife, from accounting to the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures for the personal Estate of *Iriel Farrell* Esquire, deceased, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

A Bill for the Relief of *Ignatius Gould* Merchant, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

A Bill for the Relief of *John Hill* Esquire, and his Wife, by enlarging the Time for putting in their Claim before the Trustees, touching a Judgment obtained against *Robert Grace* Esquire, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to enlarge the Time for *William Flower*, by Sir *John Temple* his Guardian, to enter his Claim to a Mortgage upon the Estate of the said *Robert Grace*.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to enlarge the Time for Mr. *Jasper Roth* to enter his Claim, touching a Mortgage, and other Incumbrances, upon the Estate of the said *Robert Grace*.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to enlarge the Time for *Abel Butler* Esquire to enter his Claim to an Incumbrance upon the Estate of the said *Robert Grace*.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to enlarge the Time for *Richard Shee* Esquire to enter his Claim to a Mortgage upon the Estate of the said *Robert Grace*.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction also to the said Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause to enlarge the Time for *John Llangrish* Esquire to enter his Claim to an Incumbrance upon the Estate of the said *Robert Grace*.

A Bill for the Relief of *Thomas Lee* Esquire, and others, Executors of Sir *John Heley*, and *Peter Goodwin*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

A Bill for the Reversal of the Outlawry of *John Mapas* Esquire, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

A Bill for the Relief of *Laurence Fitzgerrald*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

A Bill for the Relief of Sir *Thomas Domville*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Dorothy* Baroness Dowager of *Upper Ossory*, and Captain *James Roche*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed.

A Bill to reverse an Outlawry against Mr. *Charles Yant*, was read a Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do examine into the Allegations of the said Bill; and report the same specially to the House.

A Bill for the Relief of *John Lord Haversham*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read a Second time. Lord Haversham's Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Francis Spring*, and other Protestant Tenants of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, in respect to their real Improvements, is committed.

A Bill for making the Provision out of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland* for the building Churches, and augmenting small Vicarages, in *Ireland*, more effectual, was read a Second time. Churches in Ireland.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

A Bill for the Relief of *James Eustace*, of *Yeoman's Town*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read a Second time. Eustace's Relief.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to the same Committee.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Tuesday* Morning next, proceed to take the Reports of such of the Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures as shall be ready; and afterwards to the Third Reading of such Bills, as are ingrossed, relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures. Irish Forfeitures.

And then the House adjourned till *Monday* Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Lunæ*, 11° die Maii;

1° Annæ Reginae.

**M**R. *Foley* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Rebecca Windham* to sell and dispose of an Estate, late *Sarah Verdon's*, in the County of *Norfolk*, was committed, That they had examined the Allegations in the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had heard the Petitioner upon the Petition to them referred; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the Bill to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table. Windham's Estate.

Sir *John Bolles* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for naturalizing *Daniel Van Ryssen* was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House. Ryssen's Nat.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Stephen Benovad*, *John Girard*, and others, was read the First time. Benovad's &c. Nat.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a Second time.

Sir *Rowland Gwyn* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the more easy Recovery of Money for the Repair of Churches and Chapels was committed; That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon



upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Ordered*, That upon the Third Reading of the said Bill, a Rider be brought in, That, where any Churches shall be repaired by virtue of this Act, the Persons assessed shall not be prosecuted in any other Court.

Salt Duties.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had gone through the Bill, and made several Amendments thereunto; which they had directed him to report, when the House will please to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report be made upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Duty on Sale of Joint Stock Shares.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying a Duty upon buying, selling, or bargaining for, Shares in any Joint Stocks of Corporations.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Conyers* reported from the said Committee, That they had made some Progress in the said Bill; and had directed him to move, That they may have Leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Wednesday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the said Bill; after the Report of the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties.

Italian Thrown Silk.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for Importation of fine *Italian* Thrown Silk be read a Second Time upon *Wednesday* Morning next.

Masters of Hoys carrying Provisions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brewer* have Leave to make a Motion for the Third Reading of the Bill for the Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other Inland Provisions, to the City of *London*.

And he moved the same accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the Third time.

The Bill was read the Third time.

And an ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for saving the Rights of the Towns of *Sandwich* and *Ipswich*:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Resolved*, That, the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of certain Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Essex*, carrying Corn, and other inland Provisions, to the City of *London*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Brewer* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis*, 12° die Maii;

1° Annæ Reginæ.

PRAYERS.

Italian Thrown Silk.

SIR *Rowland Gwyn* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the importing Silk of the Growth of *Sicily*, from the Port of *Leghorne* in *Italy*, was com-

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mitted, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

*Ordered*, That the ingrossed Bill for Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt be read the Third time To-morrow, at Twelve a Clock. Insolvent Debtors.

An ingrossed Bill to oblige the Jews to maintain and provide for their Protestant Children, was read the Third time. Jews Protestant Children.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to oblige the Jews to maintain and provide for their Protestant Children.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, at Eleven a Clock, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, notwithstanding the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid. Raising the Militia.

An ingrossed Bill for the more easy Recovery of Money for the Repair of Churches and Chapels, was read the Third time. Money for repairing Churches, &c.

And an Amendment was proposed to be made; Press \* L. \* to leave out "charged," and insert "chargeable:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the more easy Recovery of Money for the Repair of Churches and Chapels.

*Ordered*, Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. *Gery* and Mr. *Rogers*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *Robert Edgworth* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments: And also, Edgworth's Relief.

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *William* Lord Viscount *Mountjoy*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments: Also, Lord Mountjoy's Relief.

The Lords do not insist on the Amendment Clause B, to the Bill, intituled, An Act to declare the Alterations in the Oath appointed to be taken by the Act, intituled, An Act for the further Security of his Majesty's Person, and the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other Pretenders, and their open and secret Abettors; and for declaring the Association to be determined. Oath of Abjuration.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

An ingrossed Bill for the continuing the present Sheriffs in *England* and *Wales* until the First Day of *Hilary* Term next, unless her Majesty shall think fit to determine them sooner, was read the Third time. Continuing Sheriffs on Accession of Q. Anne.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the continuing the present Sheriffs in *England* and *Wales* until the First Day of *Hilary* Term next, unless her Majesty shall think fit to determine them sooner.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hoblyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

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An ingrossed Bill for the continuing the Imprisonment of \* *Counter*, and others, for the horrid Conspiracy to assassinate the Person of his late Sacred Majesty King *William the Third*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass : And that the Title be, An Act for the continuing the Imprisonment of \* *Counter*, and others, for the horrid Conspiracy to assassinate the Person of his late Majesty King *William the Third*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Conyers* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence.

Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *John Ellis* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That, as to the Petition of Dame *Eleanor Wandesford*, to them referred, the Matter thereof was agreed ; and that the Committee had made several Amendments to the Bill ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were once read throughout ; and then a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of *Anne Cornelius*, the Widow and Relict of Captain *Daniel Cornelius*, was presented to the House, and read ; relating to the Bill for making Provision for the Family of *John Trant*, eldest Son, and Heir, of Sir *Patrick Trant*, deceased, upon his paying a certain sum, out of the Estate, to the Publick.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Petition be referred to the Committee to whom the said Bill is committed.

Mr. *Dolben* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of Captain *Wolseley*, and other Protestant Lessees of the private Estate in *Ireland*, by making Provision for paying back all the Monies by them paid for Fines, and the Expences they have been at in improvements, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were once read throughout ; and then a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, for Consideration and Allowance to be had and made for Rents advanced :

And the Clause was twice read :

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be made Part of the Bill ;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Wm. Strickland*, } 79.  
                                  { Mr. *Harvey* :

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Christopher Hales*, } 49.  
                                  { Mr. *Gulston* :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Dolben* also reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of Sir *Stephen Fox*, by allowing him further Time to make and enter his Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were once read throughout ; and then a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Dolben* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Catharine Harris*, alias *Kife*, with <sup>Harris' Relief.</sup> relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were once read throughout ; and then a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, for acquitting the Trustees of the Rents of the Premises :

And the same was twice read ; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of the Protestant Purchasers of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland* ; they paying, <sup>Protestant Purchasers of Irish Forfeitures.</sup> for the same, the respective Purchases therein mentioned ; was committed ; That they had made several Amendments to the Bill ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were once read throughout ; and then a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, several of them were agreed unto by the House.

Clause B being read a Second Time, with a Blank left, to be filled up by the House, with the Sum to be paid for the Estate ;

*Resolved*, That the Blank be filled up with " One thousand and One hundred Pounds."

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Dolben* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Catherine O'Brien* Widow, and <sup>O'Brien's Relief.</sup> her Children, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were once read throughout ; and then a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, for the acquitting the Trustees of the Rents of the Estate :

And the same was twice read ; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Joseph Mitchell* Esquire, <sup>Mitchell's Relief.</sup> with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were once read throughout ; and then a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. *Blaake* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of Sir *Redmond Everard*, an Infant, <sup>Everard's Relief.</sup> was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill ; which they had directed him to report to the House ; which he read in his Place ; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table : Where the same were once read throughout ; and then a Second time, one by one ; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

And several Blanks being postponed, to be filled up by the House:

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

Lord  
Haversham's  
Relief.

Mr. *Blaake* also reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *John Lord Haversham*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, some were agreed, and others disagreed, unto by the House.

And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mapas'  
Relief.

Mr. *Blaake* also reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Reversal of the Outlawry of *John Mapas* Esquire was committed, That they had made One Amendment to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the Bill be adjourned until *Thursday* Morning next.

Irish For-  
feitures.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon *Thursday* Morning next, proceed to the reading the ingrossed Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures the Third time; and afterwards to the taking the Reports of such of the Bills as have been committed, and shall be ready to be reported.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Mercurii, 13° die Maii;*

1° Annæ Reginae.

#### PRAYERS.

*CHRISTOPHER de Schmettau, James Ball, Philip Guibert, Nicholas James la Tavernier, Francis Limbouch, Charles Timothy Begnon, Peter Chaigneau, Matthew Chaigneau, Henry Boyer, Jam. Foussat, Jasper Lanalue, Lewis Galabin*, took the Oaths appointed, in order to their Naturalization.

Windowe's  
Estate.

Mr. *Coke* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling the Estate of *John and Robert Windowe* Gentlemen, deceased, upon Trustees, to be sold; and the Purchase-money applied to the Uses therein mentioned; was committed; That they had examined the Allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their Consents to the Bill, to the Satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Ryssen's  
Nat.

An ingrossed Bill for the Naturalizing *Daniel Van Ryssen* was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Naturalizing *Daniel Van Ryssen*, and others.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Irish For-  
feitures.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the Committees, to whom the Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures are committed, That they have Power to add a Clause to con-

firm the Grants or Endowments made, or intended to be made, for the Benefit of the Protestant Churches and Schools at *Portarlinton*; either to the Bill for the Relief of *Francis Spring*, and other Protestant Tenants of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, in respect to their real Improvements; or to the Bill for making Provision for the Family of *John Trant*, eldest Son and Heir of Sir *Patrick Trant*, deceased, upon his paying a certain Sum, out of the Estate, to the Publick.

A Bill for the Importation of fine *Italian* Thrown Silk, Italian Thrown Silk. was, according to Order, read the Second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed, upon the Debate of the House, to Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, Sir *Chris. Hales*, Colonel *Lee*, Lord *Conningsby*, Lord *Pawlett*, Sir *Chris. Musgrave*, Mr. *Heathcott*, Mr. *Sayers*, Sir *Rob. Clayton*, Mr. *Crow*, Sir *Sam. Bernardiston*, Mr. *Ward*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Sir *Tho. Davall*, Mr. *Shackerley*, Mr. *Gwin*, Mr. *Pulicney*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Chandler*, Mr. *Barrell*, Mr. *Phillipps*, Sir *Alex. Rigby*, Mr. *Peshall*, Mr. *Weston*, Mr. *Brewer*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Hayes*, Sir *Tho. Abney*, Sir *Wm. Ashurst*, Mr. *Mitford*, Mr. *Craeford*, Sir *Henry Dutton Colt*, Sir *Tho. Hales*, Sir *Wm. Drake*, Sir *Fra. Mashay*; and all the Merchants of the House: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

*Ordered*, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, That they do make Provision, in the said Bill, that the Company trading to the *Levant* may have the same Liberty to import Silk.

An ingrossed Bill for importing into *England* Thrown Ditto. Silk, of the Growth of *Sicily*, from the Port of *Leghorne* in *Italy*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for importing into *England* Thrown Silk, of the Growth of *Sicily*, from the Port of *Leghorne* in *Italy*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Mr. *Conyers*, according to Order, reported, from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for regulating the Frauds and Abuses in the Salt Duties was committed, the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, several of them were agreed unto by the House.

Amendment, Fo. 8. L. 1. being read a Second time, for leaving out the Clause for \* \* \* \*

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

The House divided.

The Noes go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Isaac Rebow*,  
Mr. *Shackerley*: } 56.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Hen. Dutt. Colt*,  
Mr. *Crawley*: } 51.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The rest of the Amendments, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, for the Relief of the Fishermen of *Sheilds*;

The same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, for satisfying Drawbacks upon Coffee, Tea, and Chocolate;

The same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

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Another Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, relating to the Pilchard Fishing;

The same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause amended by the House:

And then the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, for Allowance for prompt Payment of the Duty by Proprietors;

The same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, for buying Salt by Weight;

The same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

A Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, for a Drawback of the Duty upon exporting Salt to *Scotland*;

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Yates, } 14.  
                                  { Mr. Crocker: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Fra. Windham, } 50.  
                                  { Mr. Hayes: }

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, for an Allowance of the Duty for Salt lost:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Sir *William Ashurst*, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Friday* Morning next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the Bill for laying a Duty upon buying, selling, or bargaining for, Shares in any Joint Stocks of Corporations.

Ordered. That the further Consideration of the Report from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of Sir *Redmond Everard*, an Infant, was committed, be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Jovis, 14<sup>o</sup> die Maii;*

1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Regiæ.

#### PRAYERS.

COLONEL *Lee* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Importation of fine *Italian* Thrown Silk was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, all of them, except Clause A, agreed unto by the House.

Clause A being read a Second Time, That the *Levant* Company, and whom they shall authorize, may import any Sorts of Raw Silk, of the Produce of *Turkey* or *Persia*;

And the Question being put, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment;

It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Ordered, That the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Sir *William Ashurst* Knight, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning. Ashurst's Relief.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate upon the Clause to the ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Elizabeth Wandesford*, and her Daughter: Wandesford's Relief.

And the said Clause was, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for Persons to be Protestants who shall enjoy the Estate:

And the same was thrice read, with Blanks; which were filled up by the House:

And the Clause was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered, to be added, as a Rider, against letting the Estate to Papists:

And the same was thrice read, with Blanks; which were filled up:

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Elizabeth Wandesford*, and *Elizabeth Foulkes* her Daughter by her late Husband *Garret Foulks* Esquire, deceased.

Ordered, That Sir *Rowland Gwin* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Charlotte Talbott*, was read the Third time. Talbott's Relief.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, to acquit the Trustees of the Rents of the Estate;

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill;

And several Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill;

The same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Pr. 2. L. 23. to leave out "Oath," and insert "Oaths;" and, after "Allegiance," to insert "and Supremacy."

L. 35. to leave out "Oath," and insert "Oaths."

L. 38. the same Amendment.

Pr. 3. L. 7. the same Amendment.

L. 17. the same Amendment.

And the Bill was amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Charlotte Talbott*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the Lord *Fairfax* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Maurice Annesley* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the Third time. Annesley's Relief.

And an ingrossed Clause being offered, as a Rider, for Saving of others Rights;

The same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Maurice Annesley* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Ordered,

Ordered, That Mr. *Manley* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Irish  
Forfeitures.

An ingrossed Bill to recompense *Philip Savage* Esquire for the Charge of Outlawries, and attending the Trustees for the *Irish Forfeitures*, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and that the Title be, An Act to recompense *Philip Savage* Esquire for the Charge of Outlawries, and attending the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That Sir *Roger Mostyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Lavallin's  
Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Jane Lavallin*, with relation to the *Irish Forfeitures*, was read the Third time.

And several Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill;

The same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Pr. 3. L. 28. after "Allegiance," insert "and Supremacy."

L. 38. to leave out "Oath," and insert "Oaths."

And the Bill was amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Jane Lavallin*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Tredenham* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Molony's  
Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Dennis Molony* Gentleman, was read the Third time.

And several Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill;

The same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

P. 3. L. 13. to leave out "Oath," and insert "Oaths;" and, after "Allegiance," to insert "and Supremacy."

L. 24. to leave out "Oath," and insert "Oaths."

L. 27. the same Amendment.

L. 36. the same Amendment.

Pr. 5. L. 34. the same Amendment.

L. 36. the same Amendment.

And the Bill was amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Dennis Molony* Gentlemen, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That Sir *John Bolles* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Nugent's  
Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Edward Nugent*, of *Donore*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Esquire, was read the Third time.

And several Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill;

The same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Pr. 3. L. 39. after "Allegiance," to insert "and Supremacy."

Pr. 4. L. 7. to leave out "Oath," and insert "Oaths."

L. 10. the same Amendment.

L. 19. the same Amendment.

L. 28. the same Amendment.

Pr. 6. L. 35. the same.

And the Bill was amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Edward Nugent* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Manley* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Viscountess  
Falkland's  
Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for enlarging the Time to *Rebecca Viscountess Falkland* to enter her Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, with relation

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to a Mortgage upon the Estate of *Patrick Sarsfield* Esquire, deceased, was read the Third time.

And several Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill;

The same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Pr. 2. L. 14. to leave out "House of Commons," and insert "Petition;" and after "having," insert "in."

L. 15. after "Parliament," insert "been;" and after "considered," to leave out "the said Petition of the said *Rebecca Viscountess Falkland*."

Pr. 3. L. 17. after "Allegiance," to insert "and Supremacy."

L. 28. to leave out "Oath," and insert "Oaths."

L. 31. the same.

And the Bill was amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and that the Title be, An Act for enlarging the Time to *Rebecca Viscountess Falkland*, of the Kingdom of *Scotland*, to enter her Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, to a Mortgage upon Part of the said Estates.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hayes* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for Relief of *John Ellis* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish Forfeitures*, was read the Third time.

And several Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill;

The same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Pr. 2. L. 13. to leave out "First," and to insert "Tenth."

L. 25. after "Two," to insert "or."

L. 28. before "and," to insert "and Supremacy."

L. 38. to leave out "Oath," and insert "Oaths."

And the Bill was amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *John Ellis* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Captain *Wolseley*, and other Protestant Lessees of the private Estates in *Ireland*, was read the Third time.

And several Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill;

The same were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Pr. 3. L. 11. leave out from "thereon," to "and," Line 17.

L. 31. to leave out "Oath," and insert "Oaths;" and, after "Allegiance," to insert "and Supremacy."

L. last, to leave out "Oath," and insert "Oaths."

Pr. 5. L. last, after "aforesaid," to insert "Act."

And the Bill was amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of Captain *Richard Wolseley*, and other Protestant Lessees in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dolben* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Resolved, That this House will, upon *Saturday* Morning next, proceed to the reading the Residue of the ingrossed Bills, relating to the *Irish Forfeitures*, the Third time; and, afterwards, to the taking the Reports of such of the Bills as have been committed, and shall be ready to be reported.

Ordered, That the further Consideration of the Reports from the Committee, to whom the Bills for the Relief of

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PRAYERS.

Privateers.

A MESSAGE from the Lords, by Sir Richard Holford and Mr. Pitt:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Encouragement of Privateers, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Insolvent Debtors.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt.

Ordered, That Sir Henry Dutton Colt do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

J. Trant's Relief.

A Petition of the Lady Fitzgerald was presented to the House, and read; relating to the Bill for making Provision for the Family of John Trant, eldest Son and Heir of Sir Patrick Trant, deceased, upon his paying a certain Sum, out of the Estate, to the Publick.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table, until the Report from the Committee, to whom the said Bill is committed.

Raising the Militia.

Sir Rowland Gwyn, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom the Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One Thousand Seven hundred and Two, notwithstanding the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid, was committed, the Amendments, made by the Committee; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, to oblige Agents of the Army to account:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; which were filled up by the House:

And, upon the Question put thereupon, the Clause was agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Accounts of Agents.

Ordered, That the Commissioners of Accounts, who are to examine and state the Accounts of the Army, and Prizes, do, upon Monday Morning next, lay before this House an Account of the Names of such Agents, or Officers, who have neglected, or refused, to bring in their Accounts before the said Commissioners, pursuant to their Orders.

Italian Thrown Silk.

An ingrossed Bill for the Importation of fine Italian Thrown Silk, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for the Importers to make Oath of what they import:

And the Clause was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House, to be made Part of the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Importation of fine Italian Thrown Silk.

Ordered, That Colonel Lee do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Gery and Mr. Rogers:

Mr. Speaker,

Jews Protestant Children.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to oblige the Jews to maintain, and provide for, their Protestant Children, without any Amendments: And also,

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To the Bill, intituled, An Act for continuing the Imprisonment of \* Counter, and others, for the horrid Conspiracy to assassinate the Person of his late Sacred Majesty King William the Third; without any Amendments: And also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for importing into England Thrown Silk, of the Growth of Sicily, from the Port of Leghorn, in Italy, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ordered, That the Amendments, made by the Lords, Privateers, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Encouragement of Privateers, be taken into Consideration upon Monday Morning next.

The Clause, in the Act of Resumption of the forfeited Irish Estates and Interests in Ireland, relating to the Wife and Children of the late Lord Kenmare, being read;

The Trustees were called in, in relation thereunto.

Ordered, That Leave be given to offer a Clause for explaining the said Clause, relating to the Protestant Children of the late Lord Kenmare.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Gery and Mr. Rogers:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the continuing the present Sheriffs in England and Wales until the First Day of Hilary Term next, unless her Majesty shall think fit to determine them sooner, without any Amendments: And also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing Daniel Van Ryssen, and others, without any Amendments: And also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Sanna Smith, with relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Sir Stephen Fox, by allowing him a further Time to make and enter his Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in Ireland, was read the Third time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill; Press \* L. \* to injoin the taking the Oath of Supremacy:

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and that the Title be, An Act for enlarging the Time for Sir Stephen Fox Knight, to make his Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in Ireland.

Ordered, That Mr. Dolben do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Catharine Harris, alias Kife, with relation to the Irish Forfeitures, was read the Third time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill; Press 2. Line 39. after "Allegiance," to insert "and Supremacy:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and the Bill amended at the Table accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of Catharine Harris, alias Kyfe, with relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland.

Ordered, That Mr. Dolben do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Ordered, That Mr. Bridges have Leave to make a Motion, relating to the forfeited Estates in Ireland; it being after Two a Clock.

And Mr. Bridges made the Motion accordingly.

Ordered, That Leave be given to offer a Clause, upon the Third reading the Bill for the Relief of the Protestant Purchasers of the forfeited Estates in Ireland; they paying

paying for the same, the respective Purchases therein mentioned; for the Encouraging the Sale of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, and quieting the Minds of Purchasers.

The said Bill was read the Third time.

And an ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, relating to the Oath of Supremacy;

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, to quiet the Minds of Persons relating to the forfeited Estates:

And the same was once read:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be read the Second time;

It passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, That but One Cabin shall be lett to One Man; and that the Act shall be a publick Act.

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

And then several Amendments were proposed to be made to the Bill; which were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; which are as follow; viz.

Pr. 4. L. 20. before "that," to insert "and:"

Between 21 and 22 L. to insert "and the said other Third Part, further allowed by this Act."

P. 5. L. 14. after "Pounds," the same Amendment.

L. 36. to leave out "Oath," and insert "Oaths;" and, after "Allegiance," to insert "and Supremacy."

P. 7. between L. 35 and 36. to insert "Tythes, Oblations, Obventions, Glebes, and other Things thereunto belonging."

P. 10. L. 24. to leave out "Oath," and insert "Oaths;" and, after "Allegiance," insert "Supremacy."

And the Bill was amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of the Protestant Purchasers of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; and for the Encouraging the Sale of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; and quieting the Minds of the Purchasers.

*Ordered*, That Sir Henry Dutton Colt do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Catharine O'Brien Widow, and her Children, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the Third time.

And several Amendments were made by the House to the Bill, by inserting "Oaths" for "Oath," in several Places; and inserting "Tythes, Oblations, Obventions, Glebes, and other things thereunto belonging."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of Catharine O'Brien Widow, and her Children, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Dolben do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Joseph Mitchell Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of Joseph Mitchell Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Sir Henry Dutton Colt do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of John Lord Haversham, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for enlarging the Time for John Lord Haversham to make his Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Blaak do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

*Resolved*, That this House will, upon Monday Morning next, proceed in the further Consideration of the Reports of the Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, which have been already made; and afterwards to the Taking of the Residue of the Reports of the Bills, which have been committed.

And then the House adjourned till Monday Morning, Nine a Clock.

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#### PRAYERS.

SIR Hen. Dutton Colt reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill from the Lords, intituled, *Bacalon's, &c. Nat.* An Act for the naturalizing Thomas St. Leger de Bacalon, Joseph de Larnay, Alexander de Requet de Fourneaux, and others, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Press 2. L. 25. leave out "Isaac Paiferie, Son of Peter Paiferie by Jane his Wife, born at Duras, in Guienne."

L. 27. leave out "Peter Defoussat, Son of Daniel Defoussat by Susanna his Wife, born at Rosen, in Guienne."

Press 4. L. 11. after "France," insert "Charles Lepointelle, Son of Charles Brunett by Henriette his Wife, born at Rochelle, in France; Peter de Maigron, Son of Lewis Maigron by Mary his Wife, born at Nimes in the Province of Languedoc; Albert Le Blanc, Son of Antony Le Blanc by Catharine his Wife, born at Maniege, in the Province of Languedoc; Abel de Castelfrank, Son of Adrian de Castelfrank by Rachel his Wife, born at Castres, in the Province of Languedoc, in France; John de Champflury, Son of Hector de Champflury by Phyllis his Wife, born at Nions, in the Province of Dauphine, in France; Henry de Foubert, Son of Solomon de Foubert by Magdalene his Wife, born in Paris, in France; David Francis Goudot, Son of John James Goudot by Susanna his Wife, born at Neuchatel, in Swesherland; John Espinasse De Fonvice, Son of Henry Espinasse De Fonvice by Johanna his Wife, born at Fonviue, in Pericord, in France; Stephen Des Gulhon, Son of Stephen Des Gulhon by Mary his Wife, born at St. John Du Bruel, in the Province of Languedoc, in France; Lewis de la Conde, Son of Jonas de la Conde by Susanna his Wife, born at Paris, in France; Philip Rose, Son of Thomas Rose by Esther his Wife, born at Caen, in Normandy; Abraham Bruniquel, Son of James Bruniquel by Mary his Wife, born in La Caze, in the Province of Languedoc, in France; Lewis Pasquerau, Son of Lewis Pasquerau by Magdaleine his Wife, born at Tours, in the Province of Touraine, in France."

L. 19. leave out "King's," and insert "Queen's." Pr. 4. L. 37 and 38. leave out "Isaac Paiferie, and Peter de Foussat."

Pr. 5. L. 8. after "Vezian," insert "Charles Lepointelle, Peter de Maigron, Albert de Blanc, Abel de Castelfrank, John de Champflury, Henry de Foubert, David Francis Goudot, John Espinasse de Fonvice, Stephen des Gulhon, Lewis de la Conde, Philip Rose, Abraham Bruniquell, Lewis Pasquerau."

L. 33 and 34. leave out "Isaac Paiferie, Peter de Foussat."

Pr. 6.

Pr. 6. L. 4. after "*Vezian*," insert "*Charles Lepointelle, Peter de Maigron, Albert Le Blanc, Abel de Castelfrank, John de Champflury, Henry de Foubert, David Francis de Goudot, John Espinasse de Forvice, Stephen des Gulhon, Lewis de la Conde, Philip Rose, Abraham Bruniquell, Lewis Pasquerau.*"

L. 41. leave out "*Isaac Paiferie, Peter De Foussat.*"

Pr. 7. L. 12. after "*Vezian*," insert "*Charles Lepointelle, Peter de Maigron, Albert Le Blanc, Abel de Castelfrank, John de Champflury, Henry de Foubert, David Francis Goudot, John Espinasse de Forvice, Stephen Des Gulhon, Lewis de la Conde, Philip Rose, Abraham Bruniquell, Lewis Pasquerau.*"

The Bill was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Sir Henry Dutton Colt do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Windham's Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable *Rebecca Windham* to sell and dispose of an Estate, late *Sarah Verdon's*, in the County of *Norfolk*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Foley* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

Windowe's Estate.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for settling the Estate of *John and Robert Windowe* Gentlemen, deceased, upon Trustees, to be sold, and the Purchase-money applied to the Uses therein mentioned, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cox* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, without any Amendments.

Everard's Relief.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate upon the Bill for the Relief of Sir *Redmond Everard*, an Infant.

*Resolved*, That the Blanks in the Bill, which were postponed, be filled up with the Sum of Two thousand Pounds. And several other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Raising the Militia.

An ingrossed Bill for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, notwithstanding the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, notwithstanding the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwyn* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Mapas' Relief.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate upon the Bill for the Reversal of the Outlawry of *John Mapas*.

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Sir *William Lacon Child*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *Mary Vernon*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments: And also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for enlarging the Time to *Rebecca Viscountess Falkland*, of the Kingdom of *Scotland*, to enter her Claim, before the Trustees for the for-

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feited Estates in *Ireland*, to a Mortgage upon Part of the said Estate, without any Amendments: And also,

To a Bill, intituled, An Act to recompense *Philip Irish Savage* Esquire for the Charge of Outlawries, and attending the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments: And also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *John Ellis* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments: And also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *Edward Nugent* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments: And also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *Dennis Mollony* Gentleman, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Mr. *Farrer*, from the Commissioners for examining Accounts of and taking the publick Accounts of the Army, and for Prize Agents, presented to the House an Account of the Names of the Agents, and other Persons, concerned in stating the Accounts of several Regiments, and Garisons, of the Army.

And the Title thereof was read.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Encouragement of Privateers.

And the same were read the First time; and are as follow; viz.

3 Skin, 18 L. after "allow," add the Proviso marked A.

A: "Provided nevertheless, That, in case any Ship or Vessel shall be chased, or driven, into any of her Majesty's Ports, Havens, Rivers, or Creeks, by any Privateer, or Privateers, and be there taken, that then such Privateer or Privateers shall be deemed the Captor thereof, as if he or they had taken the same upon the open Seas."

5 Skin, 41 L. instead of "Moiety," read "Third."

6 Skin, 1 L. instead of "Moiety," read "Two-thirds."

4 L. after "forfeited," insert "One Moiety thereof to be to the Informer, and the other Moiety."

10 Skin, 4 and 5 L. instead of "Register, Marshal, and Crier," read "and all the other Officers."

24 L. after "fit," add Clauses marked B, C, and D.

B: "And, for the better preventing hereafter the colouring the Goods of Enemies, and the carrying on a Trade for the Benefit of those in Enmity with her Majesty, under the Name of neutral Princes and States, and their Subjects, to the Disadvantage of her Majesty, and her Allies; Be it enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, and it is hereby enacted, That, from and after the First Day of September One thousand Seven hundred and Two, if any Ship or Vessel, during the present War, belonging to any neutral Prince or State, or their Subjects, bound to, or returning from, *France* or *Spain*, and trading with the Subjects and Inhabitants of the said Countries, or either of them, or with any Prince or State hereafter in War with the Crown of *England*, shall be met with at Sea, not having then on board a Charter-party for the said Voyage, according to the Custom of the Seas, by any of her Majesty's Men of War, or Ship having Letters of Marque from the Lord High Admiral of *England*, or any Vessel lawfully impowered to take from the Enemy, such Ship or Vessel shall and may be seized as lawful Prize; and, for Defect of such Charter-party, with her Goods and Effects, for that Reason only, be condemned for Prize in the Court of Admiralty, and disposed of, according to the other Provisoes and Limitations made in this Act."

C: "Provided also, and it is hereby further enacted

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" by the Authority aforesaid, That no Master of any Ship or Vessel, or any other Person whatsoever, that shall be taken by the Enemy, shall purchase the aforesaid Ship or Vessel from the Enemy, on Penalty of having the aforesaid Ship and Goods forfeited, One-third Part thereof to the Queen's Majesty, and Two-thirds thereof to such Person or Persons who shall discover the same: And if any of her Majesty's Men of War, or Privateers, shall seize such Ship or Vessel, forfeited as aforesaid, the Captains or Commanders of her Majesty's Men of War, or Privateers, shall have her Majesty's Part, and the Informer or Informers the other."

D: "Whereas, by an Act, made in the Twentieth Year of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, intituled, An Act for Encouraging and Increasing of Shipping and Navigation, it is, among other things, provided, That no Goods or Merchandizes shall be laden or carried from one Part of *England* to another, in any Ship or Vessel whatsoever, whereof Three-fourths of the Mariners, at least, shall not be *English*, under the Penalty of forfeiting all such Goods as shall be laden, or carried, in any such Ship or Vessel, together with... Ship or Vessel, and all her Guns, Ammunition, Tackle, Furniture, and Apparel: And whereas, during the present War with *France* and *Spain*, the Number of *English* Seamen, which are necessary for the publick Service on board her Majesty's Royal Navy, will be so great, as not to leave enough for the Accommodation of the Coast Trade, in that Proportion required by the said Act; whereby the great Cities, and other Parts of this Kingdom, may happen to want their Supply of ordinary Stores, and necessary Provisions, unless some other Care be taken: Be it therefore enacted and declared, by the Authority aforesaid, That so much only of this last-mentioned Act, as concerns the Number and Proportion of foreign Seamen, thereby limited to sail in *English* Ships, shall be dispensed with; and is hereby thus far dispensed with, so as it shall and may be lawful for the Owner or Owners of any Ship or Vessel, *English*-built, and belonging to the Subjects of *England*, and whereof the Master is an *Englishman*, to navigate the said Ship or Vessel on any coasting Voyage, from one Part of this Kingdom of *England* to any other Part of the same, or the Dominion of *Wales*, or Town of *Berwick upon Tweed*, with as many foreign Seamen as the Master or Owner thinks fit, during the present War with *France* and *Spain*, and no longer; any thing in the said Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding."

10 Skin, 46. L. for "Three" read "One."

And the said Amendments, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, disagreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords, at a Conference, for disagreeing with their Lordships in the said Amendments:

And it is referred to Sir *Chris. Musgrave*, Mr. *Bridges*, Mr. *Moore*, Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Sir *John Bolles*, Mr. *King*, Mr. *Scobell*, Sir *Joseph Jekyll*, Mr. *Bromley*, Mr. *Dormer*, Lord *Edw. Russell*, Mr. *For*, Mr. *Conyers*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Comyns*, Lord *Coningsby*, Sir *Walter Young*, Mr. *Lee*, Mr. *Manley*, Mr. *Crawley*, Colonel *Byerley*, Mr. *Foley*, Colonel *Colchester*, Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, Mr. *Tredenham*; and all of the Long Robe: And they are to meet this Afternoon at Five a Clock, in the Speaker's Chamber.

Mr. *Moore* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Cesar Bradshaw* Esquire, by giving him longer Time to prosecute his Claim entered before the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read through-

out; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Sir *William Lacon Child*:

Correspondence with France.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords do desire a present Conference with this House, in the Painted Chamber, in relation to the preventing all Correspondence with *France* and *Spain*.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree to meet the Lords at a Conference, as their Lordships do desire.

And the Messengers were called in again; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.

*Ordered*, That the Lord Marquis of *Hartington*, Sir *Cha. Hedges*, Mr. *Burnaby*, Sir *Rowland Gwynn*, Mr. Chancellor of the Duchy, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. *Ogle*, Sir *Hen. Dutton Colt*, Sir *Walter Young*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Brewer*, Colonel *Granville*, Mr. *Bridges*, the Lord *Hyde*, Mr. *Pulteney*, Sir *Chris. Hales*, Sir *Tho. Littleton*, Sir *John Holland*, Sir *Godfrey Copley*, Sir *Wm. Strickland*, Mr. *Dormer*, Sir *John Bolles*, Sir *Jos. Jekyll*, Mr. *Smith*, Colonel *Lee*, Mr. *Cesar*, the Lord *Spencer*, Mr. *Pagitt*, do manage the Conference.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And, being returned;

The Lord Marquis of *Hartington* reported the Conference; and that it was managed by the Lord Privy Seal; who acquainted them, That they have, for the preventing all Correspondence with *France* and *Spain*, agreed upon an Address to her Majesty: To which the Lords desire the Concurrence of this House.

And the said Address, being read, is as follows; viz.

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, beg Leave to represent to Your Majesty, as our Opinion, that nothing will more contribute to the effectual carrying on the just and necessary War, wherein You are engaged; to the interrupting the Trade of Your Enemies; to the depriving them of intelligence; and reducing them to the greatest Streights; than an intire Prohibition of all Correspondence with *France* and *Spain*, on the Part of the Allies: And we do therefore humbly advise Your Majesty, That You would be pleased, so soon as may be, to engage the Emperor, the States General, and Your other Allies, to join with Your Majesty in prohibiting, in the strictest manner, and under the severest Penalties, all Intercourse by Letters, or otherwise, between the Subjects of Your Majesty, and Your Allies, and the Subjects of *France* and *Spain*.

*Ordered*, That the Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

Sir *John Bolles* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for making Provision for the Family of *John Trant*, eldest Son and Heir of Sir *Patrick Trant*, deceased, upon his paying a certain Sum out of the Estate to the Publick, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were read.

J. Trant's Relief.

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration of the said Report be adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

Mr. *Hayes* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *William Spencer* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout;

Spencer's Relief.

Bradshaw's Relief.



throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House, with an Amendment.

A Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, That the Lady *Kenmare* shall have the Benefit of all Grants made from the late King *William* and Queen *Mary* to, or in Trust for, the Use, Benefit, and Subsistence, of her the said Lady, and her Children, as well for all Arrears, as the growing Payments, of such Grants, Provisions, or Appointments:

And the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill:

And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Committee  
to draw up  
Reasons for a  
Conference.

Ordered, That the Committee, who are to draw up Reasons, to be offered at a Conference with the Lords, have Leave to sit To-morrow Morning.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Martis, 19<sup>o</sup> die Maii;*

1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Reginæ.

#### PRAYERS.

Pluncket's  
Relief.

**M**R. *Gulston* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Francis Pluncket* Gentleman, and *Catharine* his Wife, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Spring's  
Relief.

**Sir Henry Dutton Colt** reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *Francis Spring*, and other Protestant Tenants of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, with respect to their real Improvements, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, several of them were agreed unto by the House.

Clause A, relating to the Churches at *Portarlinton*, being read a Second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made, by inserting, after "Service," these Words, "according to the Usage of the Church of *England*:"

And the Question being put, That those Words be inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Shackerly*, } 51.  
                                  { Mr. *Goring* : }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Peshall*, } 68.  
                                  { Mr. *Hayes* : }

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the House do agree with the Committee in the said Amendment, Clause A.

The rest of the Amendments, made by the Committee, being severally read a Second time, were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

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A Clause being offered, to be added to the Bill, for a School at *Middleton*;

The same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, on the behalf of the Countess of *Drogheda*:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up; and, upon the Question put thereupon, the Clause was agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered, to be added to the Bill, on the behalf of Sir *John Dillon*:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Strickland*, } 74.  
                                  { Sir *Walter Young* : }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Chris. Hales*, } 57.  
                                  { Mr. *Bromley* : }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Clause was brought up; and twice read; and amended; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Wm. Hustler*, } 54.  
                                  { Sir *Fra. Blake* : }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Jos. Tredenham*, } 46.  
                                  { Mr. *Gulston* : }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the Third time To-morrow Morning, after Twelve a Clock.

**Sir Rowland Gwyn** reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered at a Conference with the Lords, for disagreeing to the Amendments, made by their Lordships, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Encouragement of Privateers, That they had drawn up the same accordingly; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

That the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Encouragement of Privateers, doth alter several Duties granted to the Crown; and doth likewise dispose of several Sums of Money arising therefrom, and of other publick Monies:

The Commons do therefore disagree to all your Lordships Amendments to the Bill: For the Altering of Duties, and the Granting and Disposing of all publick Monies, is the undoubted Right of the Commons alone, and an essential Part of their Constitution.

Ordered, That a Conference be desired with the Lords upon the Subject-matter of the said Amendments.

Ordered, That Sir *Rowland Gwyn*, do go to the Lords, and desire the said Conference.

Conference  
desired with  
Lords.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Sir *William Lacon Child*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *Thomas Earl of Limerick*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, and *Euphemia Countess Dowager of Limerick*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments.

Countess  
of Limerick's  
Relief.

The Lords have also agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of the Protestant Purchasers of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments.

Protestant  
Purchasers  
of Irish For-  
feitures.  
Boacolon,  
&c. Nat.

The Lords have also agreed to the Amendments, made by this House, to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the naturalizing *Thomas St. Leger de Boacolon*, *Joseph de Larnay*, *Alexander de Raquet Fournaux*, and others.

The



*Italian Thrown Silk.* The Lords have also agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Importation of fine *Italian Thrown Silk*, without any Amendments.

*Wolseley's Relief.* The Lords have also agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Captain *Richard Wolseley*, and other Protestant Lessees, in *Ireland*, without any Amendments.

*Mitchell's Relief.* The Lords have also agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *Joseph Mitchell* Esquire, in relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

*Correspondence with France.* The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into Consideration the Report of the Conference with the Lords Yesterday, touching the Address to her Majesty:

And an Amendment was proposed to be made in the Address; viz.

L. 3. to fill the Blank with "and Commons:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made, by adding, at the End of the Address, "and that Your Majesty will graciously . . . . . to take such Methods in Concert with the States General of the *United Provinces*, as may most effectually secure the Trade of Your Majesty's Subjects, and Your Allies, from the *French Privateers*:"

And the same was, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Lords in the said Address, so amended.

*Ordered*, That a Conference be desired with the Lords upon the Subject-matter of the last Conference.

*Ordered*, That the Lord Marquis of *Hartington* do go to the Lords, and desire the said Conference.

The Account from the Commissioners of Accounts Yesterday being read;  
The same is as followeth; viz.

Accounts of  
Price Agents.

The Names of the Agents, or such other Persons, who, as far as we can be informed, are concerned in the stating the Accounts of the several Regiments, and Garisons, following, humbly presented to the Honourable House of Commons, by the Commissioners for stating the Accounts of the Army, &c. this 18th Day of May 1702, in pursuance of their Order of the 16th Instant.

A G E N T S, &c.	Regiments and Garisons whose Accounts are not brought in.
Mr. <i>Wm. Wallis</i> , Mr. <i>Ja. Cordonnell</i> , Mr. <i>Brerewood</i> -	<p style="text-align: center;">H O R S E.</p> <p>Earl of <i>Oxford</i>.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">D R A G O O N S.</p> <p>Earl of <i>Essex's</i>. Colonel <i>Ross's</i>. Colonel <i>Ecklyn's</i>.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">F O O T.</p> <p>Colonel <i>Brudenell's</i>. Colonel <i>Bochan's</i>. Colonel <i>Colt's</i>. Colonel <i>Gibson's</i>. Lord <i>Cutts's</i> former Regiment. Lord <i>Strathnaver's</i>. Colonel <i>White's</i>. Colonel <i>Michelborne's</i>. Earl of <i>Drogheda's</i>. Colonel <i>Creighton's</i>. Sir <i>Matth. Bridges's</i>. Sir <i>Hen. Bellasys's</i>. Colonel <i>Colenbine's</i>. Regiment of <i>Scotts Guards</i>. Sir <i>Cha. Hara's</i> Fuziliers. Brigadier <i>Fairfax's</i>. Sir <i>Bevil Granvill's</i>. Colonel <i>Geo. Hamilton's</i>. Colonel <i>Holt's</i>. Major General <i>Steuart's</i>. Brigadier <i>Trelawny's</i>. Colonel <i>Tidcomb's</i>. Brigadier <i>Tiffin's</i>. Brigadier <i>Hanmer's</i>. Colonel <i>Gustavus Hamilton's</i>. Colonel <i>Coot's</i>. Marquis <i>Puissar's</i>. Colonel <i>Fox's</i>. Brigadier <i>Ingoldby's</i>. Lord <i>Lorne's</i>. 4 Companies at <i>New York</i>.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">G A R I S O N S.</p> <p><i>Guernsey</i>. <i>St. James Park</i> Gunners. <i>Portland Castle</i>. <i>Portsmouth</i>. <i>Isle of White</i>, Lord <i>Cutts</i> Governor.</p>
<p>Mr. <i>Edward Gibbon</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>William Fownes</i> - - - - -</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Not known</p>	
<p>Mr. <i>William Fownes</i>, Mr. <i>John Wilks</i> - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>Wm. Graham</i>, and Captain . . . <i>Windram</i> -</p> <p>Lieutenant <i>Cole</i>, by Order of Sir <i>H. D. Colt</i>, Extr. -</p> <p>Mr. <i>John Mercer</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>John Acton</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>Alexander Stevenson</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Captain <i>Richard Kana</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>Ephraim Dawson</i>, and Mr. . . . . <i>Curtis</i> -</p> <p>Mr. . . . . <i>Curtis</i>, and Mr. <i>John Wilks</i> - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>Ephraim Dawson</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>Hen. St. George</i>, and Captain . . . . <i>Wilson</i></p> <p>Mr. <i>John Paine</i> - - - - -</p> <p>The Colonel - - - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>Robert Seaton</i>, and Lieutenant Colonel . . . <i>Scott</i></p> <p>Mr. <i>John Barnaby</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>John Paine</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Captain <i>Isaac Guyquet St. Eloy</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>Wm. Hamilton</i>, and Mr. <i>Robert Seaton</i> - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>Archibald Hutchinson</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>John Wilks</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>William Wallis</i>, <i>Samuel Corbett</i>, and <i>Peter Ellers</i></p> <p>Mr. <i>Wm. Wallis</i>, Mr. <i>James Moyer</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>Wm. Wallis</i>, Mr. <i>Wm. Branthwaite</i> - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>Wm. Fownes</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Major <i>Whithead</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>John Wilks</i>, and Mr. <i>John Paine</i> - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>John Acton</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Lieutenant Colonel <i>Broughton</i>, Mr. <i>Fra. Williamson</i></p> <p>Captain <i>Wilson</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>David Cambell</i> - - - - -</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Not known</p>	
<p>Mr. <i>Hill</i> - - - - -</p> <p>Captain . . . <i>Sylver</i> - - - - -</p> <p><i>Bonham Strangways</i> Esquire, Governor - - -</p> <p>Mr. <i>John Mercer</i> - - - - -</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Not known</p>	

Agents

AGENTS, &c.									
Mr. Sargeant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. Francis Wright	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. Robert Seaton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. Ja. Cardonnell, Mr. Brerewood, and Edward Pauncefort Esquire	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. Richard Butler, Mr. .... Heylyn, and Mr. Robert Perryman	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. Richard Whitworth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. Wm. Spencely	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. Peter Gery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. Peter Potter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. William Fownes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Captain .... Gardner	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. James Moyer, Mr. .... Jenkyns, Lieutenant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.... Murray	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. John Acton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. Tracy Pauncefort	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lieutenant .... Cole	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. Wm. Wallis, and Mr. John Paine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Captain Richard Kane	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S. Atkins, G. Langton, Tho. Morrice, Tho. Lister, Wm. Farrar.									

Regiments, whose Accounts are given out imperfect, and not returned.

HORSE.	
First Troop of Guards.	
2d Troop of Guards.	
Troop of Grenadier Guards.	
Duke Schonberg's.	
Brigadier Windham.	
Earl of Macclesfeild's.	
DRAGOONS.	
Colonel Harceye's, late Major General Lereson's.	
Colonel Lloyd's.	
FOOT.	
Duke of Bolton's.	
Colonel Saunderson's.	
Colonel St. John's.	
Brigadier Selwyn's.	
Colonel Brewer's.	
Sir John Jacob's.	
Captain Pitt's Company of Miners.	
Regiments Accounts imperfect, and not taken out to correct.	

FOOT.	
Lord Geo. Hamilton's.	
Major General Earl's standing Regiment.	
Major General Erle's broken Regiment.	
Colonel Fred. Hamilton's.	

Ordered, That the Agents and Officers, concerned in the Accounts of the Army, do, before the Twenty-fourth of June next, bring in their Accounts to the Commissioners for taking and stating the Accounts of the Army, pursuant to the Directions of the said Commissioners; and, in case of Failure therein, that the said Commissioners do lay before this House, the next Session of Parliament; the Names of such Agents, and Officers, as shall neglect so to do.

made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, and with some Amendments to some of them, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

French's Relief.

Sir Henry Dutton Colt reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for Exempting and Discharging of Arthur French, and Sarah his Wife, from accounting to the Trustees for the Irish Forfeitures for the personal Estate of Iriel Farrel Esquire, deceased, was committed, That they had directed him to report it to the House, without any Amendments: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be ingrossed.

Sir Henry Dutton Colt reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of Thomas Lee Esquire, and others, Executors of John Hely, and Peter Goodwin Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland, was committed, That they had made an Amendment to the Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House: Which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table; where the same was twice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendment, be ingrossed.

Gould's Relief.

Mr. Burnaby reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of Ignatius Gould Merchant, with relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland, was committed, That they had made some Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. Hayes reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of Sir Thomas Domville, with relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table; where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, and other Amendments being made by the House to the Bill, agreed unto by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Hill's Relief.

Sir Henry Dutton Colt reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of John Hill Esquire, and his Wife, by enlarging the Time for putting in their Claim before the Trustees, touching a Judgment obtained against Robert Grace Esquire, was committed, That they had

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Sir John Bolles reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill to reverse an Outlawry against Mr. Charles Trant

C. Trant's Relief.

was committed, That they had, pursuant to the Order of the House, examined the Allegations of the Bill; and that the Committee had directed him to report the Matter relating thereunto to the House; and he read the same in his Place; and acquainted the House, That they had directed him to report the Bill, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table:

Which Report is as follows; viz.

That the Committee, to whom the Bill to reverse an Outlawry against Mr. *Charles Trant*, pursuant to the Instructions of the House, . . . have examined the Allegations in the Preamble of the Bill.

That Mr. *Charles Trant* said, He came over from France into England by a Pass, granted by the late King *William*, in the Month of July One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven; and in August following fell sick of the Small Pox:

And that he produced his Pass, dated the Three-and-twentieth April One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven.

Doctor *Noland* said, He attended the said Mr. *Trant* in his Sickness in August One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven, at his Lodgings in the Lady *Slaine's* House in *St. James's*.

Lady *Slaine*, Mr. *Trant's* Sister, said, She was at the Bath when her Brother first sickened; but had Notice of his Illness in September One thousand Six hundred Ninety-seven, when she immediately came to London; but could not see him, because she never had had the Small Pox, and was afraid of catching the said Distemper.

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning.

Churches in Ireland.

Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the making the Provision out of the forfeited Estates in Ireland, for the rebuilding Churches, and augmenting small Vicarages, in Ireland, more effectual, was committed, That they had directed him to report the same to the House, without any Amendment: And he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, relating to the Building a Church at *Ringsend*:

And the same was once read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be ingrossed.

Eustace's Relief.

Mr. *Brewer* reported from the Committee, to whom the Bill for the Relief of *James Eustace* of *Yeomans Town*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

And other Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mapas' Relief.

Ordered, That the adjourned Debate upon the Bills for the Reversal of the Outlawry of *John Mapas*; and for making Provision for the Family of *John Trant*, eldest Son and Heir of Sir *Patrick Trant*, deceased, upon his paying a certain Sum out of the Estate to the Publick; be further adjourned till To-morrow Morning.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Mercurii, 20<sup>o</sup> die Maii;

1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Reginae.

#### PRAYERS.

SIR *Henry Dutton Colt* reported from the Committee, to whom the ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing *Stephen Benocad*, *John Girard*, and others, was committed, That they had made several Amendments to the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House; which he read in his Place; and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same were once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; and, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

Pr. 1. L. 15, 16, 17, 18, 19. leave out, "*William Matthyssen*, Son of *Joos Matthyssen* by *Catharine* his Wife, born at *Middleburgh* in *Zealand*; *Frederick Bodisco*, Son of *James Bodisco* by *Rychie* his Wife, born at *Amsterdam* in *Holland*."

L. 33 and 34. leave out "*Peter Serjant*, Son of *John Serjant* by *Mary* his Wife, born at the *Hague* in *Holland*."

Pr. 2. L. 12, 13. leave out "*Samuel Esteve*, Son of *Peter Esteve* by *Rachel* his Wife, born at *Castres* in *France*."

Pr. 3. L. 19, 20. leave out, "*James Philip Moreau*, Son of *Philip Moreau* by *Catharine* his Wife, born at *Rouen*, in *Normandy*."

L. 23, 24, 25. leave out, "*John Rene Giberne*, Son of *Daniel Giberne* by *Susanna* his Wife, born at *Fongere* in *Britanny*, in *France*."

P. 5. L. 31, 32. leave out "*Francis Verdier*, Son of *John Verdier* by *Mary* his Wife, born in *Bordeaux*, in *France*."

P. 6. L. 31, 32, 33. leave out "*Gerard Spaan*, Son of *Antony Spaan* by *Johanna* his Wife, born at *Deventer* Over *Izell*, in *Holland*."

P. 7. L. 14, 15, 16. leave out "*Jacob Constant*, Son of *Jacob Constant* by *Catharine* his Wife, born at *Gamache*, in *Picardy*, *France*."

L. 21, 22. leave out "*Lewis Vivie*, Son of *Lewis Vivie* by *Mary* his Wife, born at *Paris*, in *France*."

Pr. 8. L. 4. after "*Germany*," insert "*James Ball*, Son of *Samuel Ball* by *Catharine* his Wife, born at *Cadebush*, in the Dukedom of *Macleburgh*; *Gerret John Nijs*, Son of *John Nijs* by *Johanna* his Wife, born at *Zutphen* in the Province of *Guilderland*; *Francis Limborch*, Son of *Phillippus Limborch* by *Cornelia* his Wife, born at *Amsterdam* in *Holland*; *Philip Guibert*, Son of *Peter Guibert* by *Margaret* his Wife, born at *Lyons* in *France*; *Nicolas James le Tavernier*, Son of *Nicolas le Tavernier* by *Esther* his Wife, born at *Villiers le Bell*, near *Paris* in *France*; *Peter Chaigneau*, Son of *Isaac Chaigneau* by *Judith* his Wife, born at *Barberieux*, in *Xaintonge*, *France*; *Matthias Chaigneau*, Son of *Matthias Chaigneau* by *Mary* his Wife, born at *Taytbourg*, in *Xantoigne*, *France*; *Charles Timothy Baignoux*, Son of *Timothy Baignoux*, by *Mary* his Wife, born at *Portier*, in *France*; *Henry Boyer*, Son of *Peter Boyer* by *Mary* his Wife, born at *Balver*, in the Province of *Perigord*, in *France*; *James de Foyssat*, Son of *Lewis de Foyssat* by *Catharine* his Wife, born at *Tournen*, in the Province of *Guienne*, *France*; *Gaspard la Nalve*, Son of *Gaspard la Nalve* by *Judith* his Wife, born at *Vilserial*, in the Province of *Guime*, in *France*; *Lewis Galabin*, Son of *John Galabin* by *Alix* his Wife, born in the City of *Orange*; *Amateur Bouchereau*, Son of *Elice Bouchereau* by *Margaret* his Wife, born at *Rochell*, in *France*; *Samuel Ravenel*, Son of *John Ravenel* by *Judith* his Wife, born at *Rennes*, in *Britanny*, in *France*; *Abel Langelier*, Son of *Abel Langelier* by *Mary* his Wife, born at *Rochell*; *Christopher de Schmettau*, Son of

" *Ernest de Schmettau* by *Elizabeth* his Wife, boru at *Breslau*, in *Silesia*; *Jacob Vincent*, Son of *Michael Vincent* by *Esther* his Wife, born at *Caen*, in *Normandy*; and *Abraham de Magny*, Son of *Gamaliel de Magny* by *Margaretta* his Wife, born at *Weray*, in the Canton of *Berne*, in *Switzerland*."

P. 8. L. 15, 16. leave out "*William Matthysen*, "*Frederick Bodisco*."

18. leave out "*Peter Serjant*."

21. leave out "*Samuel Esteve*."

26. leave out "*James Philip Moreau*."

27. leave out "*John Rene Gilberne*."

41. leave out "*Francis Verdier*."

46, 47. leave out "*Gerard Spaan*."

P. 9. L. 2. leave out "*Jacob Constant*."

3. leave out "*Lewis Vivie*."

6. after "*Ducommun*," insert "*James Baul*,

" *Garrett John Nijs*, *Francis Limborch*, *Philip Gui-*

" *bert*, *Nicolas James le Tavernier*, *Peter Chaigneau*,

" *Matthias Chaigneau*, *Charles Timothy Baignour*,

" *Henry Boyer*, *James de Foyssat*, *Gaspard la Nalve*,

" *Lewis Galabin*, *Amateur Bouchereau*, *Samuel Ravchel*,

" *Abel Langeleir*, *Christopher Schmettau*, *Jacob Vin-*

" *cent*, *Abraham de Magny*."

20. leave out "*William Matthysen*, *Fre-*

" *derick Bodisco*."

23. leave out "*Peter Serjant*."

27. leave out "*Samuel Esteve*."

32. leave out "*James Philip Moreau*."

33. leave out "*John Rene Geberne*."

Pr. 10. L. 5. leave out "*Francis Verdier*."

13. leave out "*Gerard Spaan*."

16. leave out "*Jacob Constant*."

17. leave out "*Lewis Vivie*."

21. after "*Ducommun*," insert "*James Bell*,

" *Gerret John Nijs*, *Francis Limborch*, *Philip Guibert*,

" *Nicolas James le Tavernier*, *Peter Chaigneau*, *Mat-*

" *thias Chaigneau*, *Charles Timothy Baignour*, *Henry*

" *Boyer*, *James de Foyssat*, *Gaspard le Nalve*, *Lewis*

" *Galabin*, *Amateur Bouchereau*, *Samuel Ravcnal*,

" *Abel Langeleir*, *Christopher Schmettau*, *Jacob Vincent*,

" *Abraham de Magny*."

P. 11. L. 7, 8. leave out "*William Matthysen*, *Fre-*

" *derick Bodisco*."

10. leave out "*Peter Serjant*."

14. leave out "*Samuel Esteve*."

19. leave out "*James Philip Moreau*."

20. leave out "*John Rene Gilberne*."

35. leave out "*Francis Verdier*."

Pr. 12. L. 1. leave out "*Gerard Spaan*."

5. leave out "*Jacob Constant*."

6. leave out "*Lewis Vivie*."

10. after "*Ducommun*," insert "*James Bell*,

" *Gerret John Nijs*, *Francis Limborch*, *Philip Guibert*,

" *Nicolas James le Tavernier*, *Peter Chaigneau*, *Mat-*

" *thias Chaigneau*, *Charles Timothy Baignour*, *Henry*

" *Boyer*, *James de Foyssat*, *Gaspard la Nalve*, *Lewis*

" *Galabin*, *Amateur Bouchereau*, *Samuel Ravcnal*, *Abel*

" *Langeleir*, *Christopher Schmettau*, *Jacob Vincent*,

" *Abraham de Magny*."

Hely's  
Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Thomas Lee* Esquire, and others, Executors of *Sir John Hely* Knight, and *Peter Goodwin* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Thomas Lee* Esquire, and others, Executors of *Sir John Hely* Knight, and *Peter Goodwin* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That *Sir Henry Dutton Colt* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Bradshaw's  
Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Cesar Bradshaw* Esquire, by giving him a longer Time to prosecute his Claim entered before the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the Third time:

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And several Amendments were made by the House to the Bill, in relation to the Oaths, and the Clause touching Vicarages.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and that the Title be, An Act for the enlarging the Time for *Cesar Bradshaw* Esquire to prosecute his Claim before the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures.

Ordered, That *Mr. Bridges* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *William Spencer* Esquire, with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *William Spencer* Esquire, and the Wife and Children of the late Lord *Kenmare*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That *Mr. Hayes* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

The Lord Marquis of *Hartington* reported, That he having, according to the Order of Yesterday, been at the Lords, to desire a Conference upon the Subject-matter of the last Conference, the Lords do agree to the said Conference; and appoint the same presently in the Painted Chamber.

Ordered, That the Managers, who managed the last Conference, do manage the said Conference:

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And, being returned;

The Lord Marquis of *Hartington* reported the Conference: And that they had left the Address, and the Amendments, with the Lords.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to offer a Rider, upon the Third Reading of One of the ingrossed Bills, relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, for the making Provision for the Protestant Children of *Sir Antony Mullady*;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Mr. Shepard*,  
                                  { *Mr. Bere*: } 48.

Tellers for the Noes, { *Sir John Holland*,  
                                  { *Mr. Gulston*: } 37.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

*Sir Rowland Gwyn* reported, That he having, according to the Order of Yesterday, been at the Lords to desire a Conference upon the Subject-matter of their Amendments to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Encouragement of Privateers; the Lords do agree to the said Conference; and appoint the same presently, in the Painted Chamber.

Ordered, That the Committee, who drew up the Reasons to be offered at the said Conference, do manage the Conference.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And, being returned;

*Sir Rowland Gwyn* reported the Conference: And that they had given the Reasons for disagreeing to the said Amendments; and left the Bill, and the Amendments, with the Lords.

A Message from the Lords, by *Sir Robert Legard*, and *Sir Lacon William Child*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for preventing of Frauds in the Duty upon Salt; and for the better Payment of Debentures at the Custom-house; without any Amendment: And Also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for raising the Militia for the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Two, notwithstanding the Month's Pay, formerly advanced, be not repaid, without any Amendment: And also,

To

Amendments  
to Address.

To the Amendments, made by this House, to the Address sent down by their Lordships; and have sent to her Majesty to know what Time she will please to appoint for the presenting the same unto her: And also,

Masters of  
Hoys carry-  
ing Provi-  
sions.

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Masters of Hoys, and other Vessels, carrying Corn, and other Inland Provisions, within the Port of London, without any Amendments: And also,

O Bryen's  
Relief.

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Catharine O Bryen Widow, with relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland, without any Amendment: And also,

Talbot's  
Relief.

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Charlotte Talbot, with relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland, without any Amendment: And also,

Insolvent  
Debtors.

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of poor Prisoners for Debt, without any Amendment: And also,

Annesley's  
Relief.

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Maurice Annesley Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland, without any Amendment: And also,

Lord Haver-  
sham's Re-  
lief.

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for enlarging the Time for John Lord Haversham to make his Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in Ireland, without any Amendment: And also,

Harris'  
Relief.

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Catharine Harris, alias Kife, with relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland, without any Amendment: And also,

Fox's Relief.

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for enlarging the Time for Sir Stephen Fox to make his Claim before the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in Ireland, without any Amendment.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Irish For-  
feitures.

Ordered, That Mr. Chancellor of the Duchy have Leave to make a Motion, with relation to the Irish Forfeitures.

And he moved accordingly.

Ordered, That Leave be given, upon the Third Reading of One of the Bills relating to the Irish Forfeitures, to offer a Rider for the making a Provision of One hundred Pounds per Annum to Peter Fagan, for his Life, out of the Estate late of Richard Fagan his Brother.

Spring's  
Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Francis Spring, and other Protestant Tenants of the forfeited Estates in Ireland, in respect of their real Improvements, was read the Third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of Francis Spring, and other Protestant Tenants of the forfeited Estates in Ireland, in respect to their real Improvements; and for confirming a Protestant Settlement at Portarlinton, and a Charity at Middleton, in the County of Corke; and for Relief of Alice Countess Dowager of Drogheda, and Sir John Dillon.

Ordered, That Sir Henry Dutton Colt do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Everard's  
Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Sir Redmond Everard, an Infant, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, on the behalf of Peter Fagan:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, on the behalf of Sir Antony Mullady's Children:

And the same was twice read; and amended:

And then the same was read the Third time; and agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; and that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of Sir Redmond Everard, Peter Fagan, and the Protestant Children of Sir Antony Mullady, deceased, with relation to the forfeited Estates in Ireland.

Ordered, That Mr. Blaake do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Irish For-  
feitures.

Ordered, That Leave be given to offer a Rider, upon the Third Reading of One of the ingrossed Bills relating

to the Irish Forfeitures, for making Provision for the Protestant Children of the late Sir Patrick Trant, out of the Estate late of the said Sir Patrick Trant.

Ordered, That Leave be given to offer a Rider, upon the Third Reading of One of the ingrossed Bills relating to the Irish Forfeitures, for making Provision for Payment of all such Debts of the said Sir Patrick Trant, as the said Estate were liable to.

Ordered, That Leave be given to offer a Rider, upon the Reading of One of the ingrossed Bills relating to the Irish Forfeitures, to enable her Majesty, if she think fit, to give Leave to John Mapas to bring a Writ of Error to reverse the Writ of Outlawry against him in Ireland.

Ordered, That Leave be given to offer a Rider, upon the Third Reading of One of the ingrossed Bills relating to the Irish Forfeitures, to enable her Majesty, if she think fit, to give Leave to Laurence Fitz Gerald, he being within his late Majesty's Proclamation, to bring a Writ of Error to reverse the Outlawry against him in Ireland.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

Jovis, 21<sup>o</sup> die Maii;

1<sup>o</sup> Annæ Reginae.

#### PRAYERS.

An ingrossed Bill, from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the naturalizing Stephen Benovad, John Girard, and others, was read the Third time.

And the House being acquainted, That several of the Persons who had passed the Committee, refused to pay their Fees, although of good Ability so to do; viz. Meaurau, Esteve, Livie, Verdier;

And therefore the House being moved, That the Bill might be amended, and those Persons left out of it in the several Places wherein they were mentioned;

The same was, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House.

And those Amendments were added to the Amendments which were made by the Committee; and agreed unto by the House accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Sir Henry Dutton Colt do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Bill, with some Amendments: To which they desire their Lordships Concurrence.

Ordered, That Leave be given to offer a Rider, upon the Third Reading of One of the ingrossed Bills, relating to the Irish Forfeitures, for the Relief of the Earl of Carlingford from the Penalty of not paying a Sum of Money upon a Mortgage made to Sir Patrick Trant.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Leave be given to offer a Rider, upon the Third Reading of One of the said Bills, That her Majesty may, if she think fit, give Leave to Charles Trant to bring a Writ of Error to reverse the Outlawry against the said Charles Trant in Ireland;

The House divided.

The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. Brewer, } 22.  
                                  { Mr. Price: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir Tho. Franklyn, } 41.  
                                  { Mr. Stonehouse: }

So it passed in the Negative.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Thomas Plunkett Gentleman, and Catharine his Wife, with relation to the Irish Forfeitures, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, relating to Mr. Mapas:

And the Question being put, That the Clause be brought up;

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The House divided.  
The Yeas go forth.

Tellers for the Yeas, { *Sir John Mordant,* } 54.  
                                  { *Sir Hen. D. Colt:* }  
Tellers for the Noes, { *Mr. Heysham,* } 24.  
                                  { *Colonel Lee:* }

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Rider was brought up; and thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, relating to *Mr. Fitzgerald*:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Thomas Plunkett* Gentleman, and *Catharine* his Wife, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*; and for empowering her Majesty to grant Writs of Error for reversing the Outlawries against *John Mapas* and *Laurence Fitzgerald*.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Gulston* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

A Message from the Lords, by *Sir John Hoskins* and *Sir Lacon William Child*:

Mr. Speaker,

Queen appoints to be attended.

The Lords do acquaint this House, That her Majesty's Pleasure is, That both Houses do attend her Majesty with their Address, at Five a Clock this Evening, at *St. James*: And that the Lords intend to attend at that time. Also,

Lavallin's Relief.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *Jane Lavallin*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, with some Amendments: To which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

French's Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for Exempting and Discharging of *Arthur French*, and *Sarah* his Wife, from accounting to the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, for the personal Estate of *Iriell Farrell* Esquire, deceased, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, in relation to a Debt to the Lady *Stapleton*, from the late *Sir Patrick Trant*'s Estate:

And the same was once read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, in relation to the Protestant Children of the said *Sir Patrick Trant*.

*Ordered*, That the said Rider do lie upon the Table.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for Exempting and Discharging of *Arthur French*, and *Sarah* his Wife, from accounting to the Trustees for the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, for the personal Estate of *Iriell Farrell*, deceased.

*Ordered*, That *Sir Henry Dutton Colt* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Gould's Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *Ignatius Gould* Merchant, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the Third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *Ignatius Gould* and his Family, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Burnaby* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Hill's Relief.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *John Hill* Esquire, and his Wife, by enlarging the Time for putting in their Claim, before the Trustees, touching a Judgment obtained against *Robert Grace* Esquire, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for Protestants to hold Estates:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and,

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upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for Protestant Tenants to hold their Estates:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up:

And then the Clause was read the Third time, and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, for exempting Rectories and Vicarages out of the Bill; and for acquitting the Trustees of the Profits of the Estate:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, being a Saving Clause:

And the same was thrice read; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, in relation to the Lady *Catharine Fitzgerald*:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, on the behalf of *Sir Patrick Trant*'s Protestant Children:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause amended:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, on behalf of the Lady *Stapleton*:

And the same was twice read with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause amended.

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

And other Clauses being ready to be offered to the Bill;

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, Nine a Clock.

*Veneris, 22° die Maui;*

1° Annæ Regiæ.

#### PRAYERS.

**M**R. Speaker reported, That both Houses did Yesterday present to her Majesty their Address: Whereupon her Majesty was pleased to give the gracious Answer following; *viz.*

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I shall propose to the Allies to join with Me in prohibiting all Intercourse and Correspondence with *France* and *Spain*, according to your Desires: And I am too much concerned for the publick Welfare, to omit any necessary Precautions for the Protection of our Trade.

The House proceeded to the receiving the Clauses offered Yesterday to the Bill for the Relief of *John Hill* Esquire, and his Wife, by enlarging the Time for putting in their Claim, before the Trustees, touching a Judgment obtained against *Robert Grace*.

And an ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, in relation to *Anne Cornelius*:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause amended:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

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Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, on behalf of the Creditors of Sir *Patrick Trant*:

And the same was once read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause amended:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, on the behalf of the Earl of *Carlingford*:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause amended:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for enlarging the Time for *John Hill* Esquire, and his Wife, to enter their Claims before the Trustees for Sale of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, with relation to a Judgment against *Robert Grace*, and the Widow, Protestant Children, and Creditors, of the late Sir *Patrick Trant*, with relation to the said forfeited Estates; and for the indemnifying the Earl of *Carlingford* touching Mortgage-money by him owing to the said late Sir *Patrick Trant*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Privateers. *Ordered*, That Sir *Rowland Gwynn* have Leave to make a Motion for the Encouragement of Privateers.

Vesey's Relief. A Motion being made, for Leave to be given to offer a Rider, upon the Third Reading of One of the Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, for the Relief of *Agmondesham Vesey* Esquire;

*Ordered*, That the Trustees for the said forfeited Estates be called in; and heard in relation to the Estate claimed by the said Mr. *Vesey*.

And Mr. *Hooper*, One of the Trustees, attending; He was called in; and heard accordingly.

And then withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to offer a Rider, for the said Mr. *Agmondesham Vesey* to be a Purchaser, at a certain Term of Years Purchase, of the Estate claimed by him, and forfeited by *Patrick Sarsfield*.

Domville's Relief. An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of Sir *Thomas Domville*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, on behalf of the said Mr. *Vesey*.

And the same was once read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of Sir *Thomas Domville* Baronet, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hayes* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

Feild's, &c. Relief. *Ordered*, That Mr. *Price* have Leave to make a Motion with relation to the *Irish* Forfeitures.

And he moved accordingly.

*Ordered*, That Leave be given to offer a Rider, upon the Third Reading One of the ingrossed Bills relating to the *Irish* Forfeitures, for the Relief of *George Feild* and *Thomas Brigstock*, by enlarging the Time for them to make good their Claim made before the Trustees for the said *Irish* Forfeitures.

Churches in Ireland. An ingrossed Bill for the making the Provision, out of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, for the building Churches, and augmenting small Vicarages, in *Ireland*, more effectual, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, in relation to *Ring's-end*.

And the same was once read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, to injoin the Residence of the Clergy in *Ireland*:

And the same was once read; and, by Leave of the House, withdrawn.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for making more effectual the Provision, out of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, for the Building of Churches, and augmenting small Vicarages, in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

An ingrossed Bill for the Relief of *James Eustace*, of *Eustace's Yeoman's Towne*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, was read the Third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, on the behalf of \* \* \* \*

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, on the behalf of Mr. *Vesey*:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause amended:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered, as a Rider, on the behalf of *George Feild* and *Thomas Brigstock*:

And the same was twice read, with Blanks; and the Blanks were filled up; and the Clause amended:

And then the Clause was read the Third time; and, upon the Question put thereupon, agreed unto by the House to be made Part of the Bill.

And an Amendment was made to the Bill, in the Clause for acquitting the Trustees of Rents and Profits.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Relief of *James Eustace*, of *Yeoman's Towne*, *Agmondesham Vesey*, *George Feild*, and *Thomas Brigstock*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence thereunto.

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments, made by the Lords, to the Bill, intituled, *Lavallin's Relief*, An Act for the Relief of *Jane Lavallin*, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*.

And the same, being once read throughout; and then a Second time, one by one; were, upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed unto by the House; and are as follow; viz.

11 P. L. 11. after "Attainder," leave out "all and every," and read "could not prosecute her Claim and Right to."

L. 13. leave out from "seized," to "and," in the 26th Line.

26 L. after "Trustees," leave out "in the said Act."

L. 30. after "named," leave out to "for," in the 32d Line, and insert "in an Act of Parliament," "made in *England* in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of his said late Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for granting an Aid to his Majesty, by Sale of the forfeited and other Estates and Interests in *Ireland*; and by a Land Tax in *England*, for the several Purposes therein mentioned."

2 P. 9 L. leave out from "notwithstanding," to "and," in L. 32. of the same Press.

*Ordered*, That Sir *Henry Dutton Colt* do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the said Amendments.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir *Richard Holford* and Mr. *Gery*:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to a Bill, intituled, An Act *Bradshaw's Relief*, for the enlarging the Time for *Cæsar Bradshaw* Esquire to prosecute his Claim before the Trustees for the *Irish* Forfeitures, without any Amendments: And also,

To the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of *Thomas Lee* Esquire, and others, Executors of Sir *John Hely* Knight, and *Peter Goodwin* Esquire, with relation to the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, without any Amendments: And also,



before the Trustees for the Sale of the forfeited Estates in *Ireland*, with relation to a Judgment against *Robert Grace*; and for Relief of the Creditors of *John Grace*, and the Widow, Protestant Children, and Creditors, of the late Sir *Patrick Trant*, with relation to the said forfeited Estates; and for indemnifying the Earl of *Carlingford*, touching Mortgage-money by him owing to the said late Sir *Patrick Trant*; without any Amendments.

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Message to  
attend the  
Queen.

A Message from her Majesty, by Sir *David Mitchell*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Queen commands this Honourable House to attend her Majesty, immediately, in the House of Peers.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend her Majesty:

Where her Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to several publick and private Bills; and afterwards to make a most gracious Speech to both Houses.

And afterwards the Lord Keeper of the Great Seal, by her Majesty's Command, prorogued the Parliament until *Tuesday* the Seventh Day of July next.

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## THIRTEENTH VOLUME.

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— Gaol, Petition from, 3 Mar. Vide *Debtors*, insolvent.

**Leigh**, Robert, Petition relating to Irish Forfeitures, and Trustees Report thereupon, read; Trustees heard; Petition rejected, 26 Mar.

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*Mitchelborne*, Colonel John, Petition, relating to Arrears, to lie on the Table for future Consideration, 16 Feb.

*Mograth*, Tarence, Petition referred to the Committee on Papers relating to Half-pay, 2 Feb.

*Molyneux*, Francis, Petition relating to the Paymaster's Non-compliance with a former Vote of the House, 8 Jan.

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**Orford Election,** Petitions, 3 & 14 Jan.

**Orrery, Earl of,** Bill, from Lords, to sell Lands for Payment of Debts, &c. 12 Feb. Read, 13. Committed, 17. Reported, 28. Passed, with an Amendment, 2 Mar. Amendment agreed to by Lords, 3. Royal Assent, 7.

**Ossory, Upper, Baroness Dowager of,** Petition relating to Irish Forfeitures, Report of Trustees, and Clause of Act relating thereto, read; Bill for Relief of her and Captain James Roche, ordered, 21 Feb. Read, 2 Mar. Committed, 6. Committee empowered to send for Persons, Papers, and Records, 8. Committees added, 10. 12. 13. 16. 27. & 30. Instructions; Committee to sit de die in diem, 12. Bill reported, and to be ingrossed, 14. Order for Third Reading, 19 & 20. Clause added; Bill passed, 21. Agreed to by Lords, 2 Apr. Royal Assent, 6 May.

**Owen, Abraham,** ordered into Custody for a double Return, 24 Feb. Absconds; Resolution thereupon, 28 Mar. Vide *Address*.

— Edward, ordered into Custody for illegal and partial Proceedings at an Election, 24 Feb. Absconds; another Order for taking him into Custody for threatening the Messenger's Assistant, 28 Mar. His Petition referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections, 13 Apr. Order for hearing, 14.

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— John, Petition, 12 Dec. Vide *Avon*.

**Palacer, John, and others,** Petition for Bill to establish Coal Labourers a Fellowship; Question for Bill, Neg. 3 Feb.

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— Makers, white, Petition for a Duty on foreign Paper, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, 8 Feb. Vide *Supply*.

**Papists,** Bill to hinder them from disinheriting their Protestant Heirs, ordered, 30 Nov. Presented, 19 Dec. To be read, 20. Read, 21. Committed, 4 Jan. Reported, and to be ingrossed, 27. Order for Third Reading, 1 Feb. Read, 8. Debate thereon adjourned, 8 & 14.

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**Petitioner** to be heard before the Lords of the Treasury, 4 Apr.

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**Phippard, Sir Wm.** Petition, 9 Feb. Vide *Dolphin* of Poole.

**Pindar, George,** Petition, 9 Jan. Vide *Nichols*.

**Pink, Thomas,** Petition, 13 Jan. Vide *Nichols*.

**Piracy,** Bill for suppressing it, ordered, 14 Dec. Read, 20 Jan. Committed, 25 Jan. 7. 14. 21. & 27, Feb. Instruction to receive a Clause for punishing deserting Seamen, 25 Jan. Committee of the whole House discharged; Bill committed to a select Committee, 4 Mar. Committees added, 5. Committee empowered to receive a Clause to suppress Bomboats on the Thames, 9. Bill to be reported, 14 & 15. Reported; Report to be considered, 16. Considered, Clause added; Bill to be ingrossed, 19. Order for Third Reading, 22. Passed, 23. Returned from Lords with Amendments, 28. Amendments agreed to, 1 Apr.

**Plantations,** Bill to punish the Governors here for Crimes committed therein, ordered, 22 Dec. Read, 11 Mar. Committed, 12. Committee have Leave to sit in a Morning, 23. Bill reported, and to be ingrossed, 27. Passed, 28. Agreed to by Lords, 2 Apr.

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**Pontefract Election,** Petition, 16 Nov. Report to be made 15 Jan. Made—New Writ, ordered, 17. Election, Petition, 14 Feb. Order for hearing, 21 & 20.

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owned a Letter touching the Charge of Committee Rooms in the Country for Commissioners for preventing the Exportation of Wool; and that Haines denied giving the Information; Debate thereon adjourned, 16. Resumed; Matter referred to the Committee, 17. Letter referred, 19. Report to be made, 20. 22, & 23. Made; Haines ordered into Custody, 24. To attend a Committee, 25. His Petition, and Order for his Discharge, 29. Reprimanded, and discharged, 31.—

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house, and to be prosecuted by Attorney and Solicitor-general, 27. His Petition, and Order for his Discharge, 6 Apr. Reprimanded, and discharged, on giving Bail, 8.—Complainf that Rogers, a Solicitor, had delivered an exorbitant Bill of Charges, and threatens to sue the Petitioners; Order for taking him into Custody, 4 Apr.—Lord Coningsby's Complaint; Soransee ordered into Custody, 9. Absconds; Resolution thereupon. Vide *Address*. Order for his Prosecution, 11.

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**Purchase**, John, Petition, 17 Feb. Vide *Wool*.

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**Purveyor**, Wm. Petition, 22 Jan. Vide *Goodall*.

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**Paschall**, John, committed to the Tower for neglecting to give Account of Prizes to the Commissioners of Accounts, 28 Feb. His Petition, Commissioners to attend the House thereupon, 11 Apr.—Another Petition offered; Question for bringing it up, Neg. Rejected, 18 June.

**Peck**, Daniel, and others, Petition, 6 June. Vide *Salt*.

**Pedlars**. Vide *Supply*.

**Pembroke County Election**, Petition, 21 Feb.

**Perks**, John, ordered into Custody for indirect Practices at an Election, 6 Mar. Absconds; Resolution thereupon, 25. Vide *Address*. Surrenders himself; Order thereupon, 26. His Petition; withdrawn, 29 Apr. Another read, and Order for his Discharge, 9 May. Reprimanded, and discharged, 10.

**Peterborough Election**, Petition, 14 Feb. Report to be made, 11 June. Made, 16.

—Petition from, 8 Mar. Vide *Woollen Manufactures*.

**Petitions** referred to the Commissioners of Accounts, 5. 12. 15. 19. 21. 22. & 31 Mar. 1 & 2 Apr. & 26 May.—Offered, but not received, 7 Mar. 3. 6. & 18 June.—Rejected, 8. 20. & 26 Mar. 5 & 18 June.—To be read in a full House, 13 & 29 Mar. & 17 Apr.—Withdrawn, 18. 20. 22. & 29 Mar. 2. 25. & 29 Apr. 2 & 7 May.—Owned, 8.

**Pickenham**, South, and other Places, Bill, from Lords, to sell Lands and Manors therein, and settle others in lieu, 25 Mar. Read, 1 Apr. Committed. 23. Committees added, 29. Bill reported, 9 May. Passed, 2 June. Royal Assent, 12.

**Pindar**, Sir Paul. Vide *Privileges*, infra.

**Pinney**, Nathanael, Petition, 16 May. Vide *Mallock*.

**Plantations**, American, Account of Complaints made to the Commissioners of Trade, relating to the Trade or Courts of Justice therein, with their Proceedings thereupon, ordered, 2 Apr. Presented, 24.

—Petition of Merchants, relating to Abuses in transporting Servants, referred to a Committee, 9 Apr. Committees added, 10. Motion from them for Bill to prevent Abuses; Bill ordered, 10 June.

**Plate**, Petition for Bill to repeal a Clause relating to the Britannia Mark; Clause read; Petition referred to a Committee, 24 Feb. Other Petitions referred, 24 Feb. & 12 Mar. Committees added, 12. Report; Bill for assaying wrought Plate in certain Cities, ordered, 18. Presented, 28. Read, 29. Committed, 7 May. Reported, and to be ingrossed, 24. Passed, 2 June. Agreed to by Lords, 6. Royal Assent, 12.

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**Portland, Earl of**, impeached of high Crimes and Misdemeanors; a Committee to prepare Articles; Impeachment sent to Lords; Report of Impeachment delivered, 1 Apr. Committees added; Committee to sit de die in diem, 15. Letters between him and Secretary Vernon, relating to the Partition Treaty, ordered, 11. Presented; a Committee to translate them, 12. Their Report, 14. Letters referred to the Committee on the Articles, 15. Committee impowered to send for Persons, Papers, and Records, 2 May. Lords put House in mind of Articles; Answer thereto, 3. 15. & 21 May, & 16 June. Messenger dismissed without Answer, 21 & 31 May. Committee to consider Messages, search Precedents, and prepare an Answer, 31. Report to be made, 3 June. Made; Answer sent to Lords, 4. Their Answer thereto referred to a Committee to prepare an Answer, 9. Answer reported, and sent to Lords; Report of Answer delivered, 10. Proceedings to be examined by the Journals, and printed, 24.

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**Powney, John**, Petition referred to the Committee on the Bill for resuming Grants, 21 Mar. Vide *Supply*.

**Price, Thomas**, Petition of his Creditors referred to the Committee on the Bill for resuming Grants, 23 Apr. Vide *Supply*.

— Humphry, Petition relating to Half-pay, to lie on the Table for future Consideration, 29 Apr.

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**Privilege**, Petition relating to Inconveniencies thereby; Bill to prevent them, ordered, 2 May. Read, 3. Committed, 6 & 8. To be reported, 12. Reported, and to be ingrossed, 13. Passed, 14. Returned from Lords, with Amendments, 21. Amendments to be considered, 21 & 24. Considered, 24 & 26. Consideration of Part referred to a Committee, 24. Report; Amendments agreed to, with Amendments; those Amendments agreed to by Lords, 26. Royal Assent, 12 June.

**Privileges and Elections**, Committee appointed; Instruction to hear but Two Counsel of a Side, 13 Feb. Adjourned, 14. All Debates to be adjourned at Four o'Clock the Days the Committee sits, 11 Mar. Committee discharged from hearing more Causes touching Elections, except as excepted, 8 May.

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to attend, 5 June. Petition read, and rejected, 6.—Information given of counterfeited Franks, with Libels inclosed; Postmasters-general to take care for the Preventing and Discovery thereof, 20.

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**Pynyot, Jacob Augusti**, Bill, from Lords, to naturalize him, and others, 17 Apr. Read, 15 May. Committed; Petition against Bill, referred, 23. Bill reported, 4 June. Passed, with Amendments, 9. Amendments agreed to by Lords, 10. Royal Assent, 12.

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— Wm. Clause for his Relief touching Irish Forfeitures, ordered, 8 May. Vide *Protestant Purchasers*.

— Robert, Petition, 4 Mar. Vide *Salt*.

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**Papists**, Bill to vest Presentations belonging to them in the Two Universities, ordered, 26 Jan.

**Parchment**. Vide *Supply*—Petition of Proprietors of Tallies thereon, referred to the Committee of Supply, 4 Feb. Vide *Supply*.

**Paris, Charles**, Petition, 17 Apr. Vide *Wyndham*.

**Park, Daniel**, ordered into Custody for notorious Bribery and Corruption at an Election; to be prosecuted by Attorney-general, 29 Jan. Money and Bank Bill, delivered by Mr. Ady, to be re-delivered for carrying on the Prosecution, 26 Feb.

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**Paul's, St.** Petition of Commissioners for rebuilding it, referred to the Committee of Supply, 7 Feb. Vide *Supply*.

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**Pearce, George**, and others, Petition, 24 Jan. Vide *Rye*.

**Pelham, Sir Nicholas**, and others, Petition, 24 Jan. Vide *Rye*.

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**Perjury**, Bill, from Lords, to prevent it, 19 Feb. Read; Question for Commitment, Neg. 7 Mar.

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**Plantations**, American, Petition of Merchants, relating to Abuses in transporting Servants, referred to a Committee, 5 Jan. Report to be made, 17, 18, 19, & 20 Mar. Made; Bill to prevent vexatious Suits for transporting Servants, ordered, 21. Presented, 30.

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*Vernon*, Mary, Petition, relating to Irish Forfeitures, and Trustees Report thereupon, read; Trustees heard; Bill for her Relief, ordered, 10 Mar. Presented, 14. Read, 17. Committed; Petitions against Bill, referred, 8 Apr. Bill reported; further Report relating to the Petitions; Bill to be ingrossed, 16. Passed, 9 May. Agreed to by Lords, 18.

*Vesey*, Agmondesham, Clause for his Relief added to a Bill upon the Third Reading, 22 May. Vide *Eustace*.

*Victualling Office*, Complaint of Abuses in a Brewhouse; Hoar examined thereupon; Matter referred to a Committee; Copies of Orders from the Excise Board, and of a Report of an Excise Officer, presented, and referred; Instruction, 26 Feb. Report to be made, 11 & 17 Mar. Made; Resolutions, and Order thereupon, 18. Vide *Address*.

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*Wales*, Bill to prevent vexatious Suits therein, and in the Counties Palatine, ordered, 17 Jan. Presented, 25. Read, 26. Committed, 3 Feb. Reported, and to be ingrossed, 7. Passed, 17. Returned from Lords, with an Amendment, 28. Amendment agreed to, with Amendments, 6 Mar. Those Amendments agreed to by Lords, 8.

*Wollop*, Bluet, Bill, from Lords, to sell Lands, and settle others in lieu, 27 Feb. Read, 1 Mar. Committed, 5. Reported, 13. Passed, 28.

*Workhouse*, John, Petition, relating to the Norfolk Land Lottery, offered; Question for bringing it up, Neg. rejected, 18 Dec.

*Warner*, Thomas, and others, Petition, 8 Dec. Vide *Nichols*.

— Wm. Petition, 23 Jan. Vide *Deal*.

*Warwick Borough* new Writ, 16 Nov.

— County, Petition from, 9 Jan. Vide *Hemp*.

*Water-measure*. Vide *Fruit*.

*Watermens Company*, Petition for Bill to explain former Acts touching them; Bill ordered, 1 Jan. Presented, 4 Mar. Read,

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*Watts*, George, Petition, 19 Dec. Vide *Nichols*.

*Weavers Company* Petition, relating to the Importation of wrought Silks, referred to the Committee on Trade, 8 Dec. Vide *Trade*.

*Webb*, Edward, Petition, 27 Nov. Vide *Privileges*.

*Wells*, Petition from, referred to the Committee on the Bill for making Avon navigable from Bristol to Bath, 8 Jan. Vide *Avon*.

*Wessell*, Leonard, Bill from Lords, to sell Lands, and purchase others, 26 Feb. Read, 29. Committed, 8 Mar. Reported, 20. Passed, 28.

*Westbury*, Petition from, relating to the Woollen Manufactory, referred to the Committee on Trade, 8 Feb. Vide *Trade*.

*Westminster*, Petition for Bill for Court of Conscience; Bill ordered, 28 Nov. Presented, 4 Dec. Read, 5. Order for Second Reading, 11. 16 & 19 Dec. 4. 9. 12. 17. 20. & 24 Jan. 1. 14. 16. & 26 Feb.

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*Weston*, Petition from, referred to the Committee on the Bill for making Avon navigable from Bristol to Bath, 20 Dec. Vide *Avon*.

*Weymouth*, Petition from, 12 Jan. Vide *Rye*.—Another referred to Members Commissioners of the Admiralty and Navy, 23.

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*Williams*, Edward, and others, Petition, 8 Dec. Vide *Nichols*.

*Williamson*, Sir Joseph, and Lady, Petitions, 4 Jan. Vide *Titles*, defective.—11 Mar. Vide *Watermen*, supra.

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